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MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Relief from Modernizing the Common Access Card – Streamlining Identity and Improving Operational Interoperability May 1, 2020 deadlines

Reference: (a) DoD CIO Memorandum, “Modernizing the Common Access Card – Streamlining Identity and Improving Operational Interoperability,” December 7, 2018

Reference (a) was issued to align the Department’s use of the Common Access Card (CAC) with the Federal Personal Identity Verification (PIV)-Authentication (Auth) certificate. Due to the evolving COVID-19 situation and to alleviate some of the workload under which our IT helpdesks are operating with massive Government telework initiatives underway, the actions and requirements which were due by May 1, 2020 published in Reference (a) will be extended until July 31, 2020. The new deadline will be reevaluated in 30 days from the publication of this memorandum. Once the COVID-19 situation stabilizes, updated guidance and deadlines will be developed and distributed. CACs will continue to be issued using the current certificate format until a new transition date is established. Further guidance will be issued jointly from DoD CIO and USD(P&R).

This memorandum should not be interpreted as a lack of commitment to our efforts to modernize the CAC and associated systems. It is recognition of the tremendous efforts that the Government has underway to deal with an unprecedented National Emergency.

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