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SUBJECT: Migration of Army Enterprise Systems/Applications to Core Data Centers

1. References:
   a. Memorandum, Department of Defense Chief Information Officer, 11 July 2013, subject: Department of Defense Joint Information Environment: Continental United States Core Data Centers and Application and System Migration.


   c. Memorandum, Chief Information Officer/G-6, 14 August 2013, subject: Approvals/Waivers for Obligation of Funds for Data Servers and Centers Information Technology (IT) Spending.

   d. Memorandum, Deputy Chief of Staff, G-2, 10 June 2013, subject: Army Request for Information Technology-Military Intelligence (ARFIT-MI) Implementation Plan.

2. The Department of Defense directed that all enterprise applications and systems providing enterprise services (hereafter referred to as enterprise applications) migrate to designated Core Data Centers not later than the end of Fiscal Year 2018 (ref. 1a). This memorandum establishes policy and procedures that will drive the Army transition from hosting enterprise-wide services at local facilities to hosting these services in modern, standardized, centralized environments consistent with DoD guidance. Enclosures 1 through 9 to this policy detail actions that must be taken to achieve that goal.

3. This policy applies to all Army enterprise applications currently in use, under development or to be developed in the future that support users across installation boundaries from fixed-site facilities (see ref. 1a). Non-enterprise applications must also conform to the modernization guidance contained within this memorandum.

4. The Army has begun migrating enterprise applications to DoD-approved facilities. All remaining Army enterprise applications must complete migration no later than 30 September 2018. The cost of migrating to and operating at an approved enterprise hosting facility will be borne by the owning Command (ref. 1b).
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5. Commands are encouraged to begin migration as soon as possible. An overview of the process, including rationalization and disposition, is provided in Enclosure 1. At the latest, migration will be performed at the next hardware refresh point or major software version upgrade, whichever comes first. A checklist of modernization requirements is provided in Enclosure 2.

6. Program Executive Office Enterprise Information Systems, in coordination with the CIO/G-6, will develop a brokerage service (the Army Application Migration Business Office) that will act as the Army’s single point of contact for all application owners. At a minimum, this service will provide assistance in defining requirements, recommending the most cost-effective hosting and support strategies, and supporting the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) and application owner during the migration process. Further details are provided in Enclosure 5.

7. The Second Army, in coordination with DISA, will develop a concept of operations for management of applications migrated to enterprise environments. A first draft will be prepared for Army-wide staffing no later than 31 August 2014, with final publication by 15 December 2014 as part of the first scheduled update to this memorandum.

8. Information Technology Approval System waivers (ref. 1c) for expenditure of funds in support of applications will not be granted unless those expenditures can be tied directly to implementation of this policy. An application owner who is unable to adhere to this guidance must provide a detailed request for exception that addresses all issues precluding compliance. The exception request process is detailed in Enclosure 6. If the request is granted, it will be valid for one year. Annual reassessments and subsequent exception requests must be submitted if continued non-compliance is necessary.

9. Army Intelligence Components, as defined in Army Regulation 381-10, will continue to follow guidance in ref. 1d, and their applications are excluded from this memorandum. The U.S. Army Medical Command will continue to follow Military Health Systems procedures and its enterprise applications are excluded from this memorandum. This policy does not apply to applications hosted solely in tactical/mobile facilities.

10. Transformation through application migration is critical for the Army to achieve its enterprise objectives. Advanced technology and effective management practices will improve security, enhance performance, and enable cost control. Your support and active engagement are essential to ensure the achievement of these objectives.
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11. The CIO/G-6 points of contact for this action are: Director, Architecture, Networks, Operations and Space at (703) 614-5666; and Chief, Army Data Center Consolidation at (703) 693-3268.

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