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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Moratorium on Acquisition Billet Re-designation

Reference: (a) PCDASN memo of 25 JUN 10, Temporary Hold (Suspension) on Acquisition Billet Re-designation

The purpose of this memo is to remind all Commands that the Temporary Hold signed out in reference (a) is still in effect. Earlier this year I stated that we are unable to account for differences in our acquisition growth plan versus actual end strength accurately when unplanned re-designation is on-going. This challenge remains true today. Furthermore, we must be sensitive to our responsibility to report our real growth to SECDEF with a very high degree of accuracy.

Given the challenge of understanding "real growth", the DACM and DAWIA Program Directors have been involved in an ongoing data working group to better understand gains/losses and accountability for the same. The outcome of this working group will be to recommend a viable/defendable methodology for accounting for real growth via our existing systems. Until such time, the temporary suspension of acquisition billet re-designation will remain in effect. I sincerely appreciate your assistance in this very important matter.

If there are any questions about this suspension order, my point of contact is Ms. Rene' Thomas-Rizzo, Director, Acquisition Career Management. She can be reached at (703) 614-0522 or by e-mail at rene.thomas-rizzo@navy.mil.

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