MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR ACQUISITION AND
SUSTAINMENT
DIRECTORS OF THE DEFENSE AGENCIES

SUBJECT: E-6B Command, Control, and Communications Aircraft Program DX Industrial Priority Status

The Department of the Navy is authorized to use DX industrial priority ratings in support of the E-6B Command, Control, and Communications Aircraft Program. In accordance with established Defense Priorities and Allocations System Regulations and Department of Defense policy, conflicts in prioritization or allocation of industrial resources resulting from this designation shall be addressed by the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manufacturing and Industrial Base Policy.

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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR ACQUISITION,
TECHNOLOGY, AND LOGISTICS
DIRECTORS OF THE DEFENSE AGENCIES

SUBJECT: VH-92A Presidential Helicopter Program DX Industrial Priority Status

The Department of the Navy is authorized to use DX industrial priority ratings in support of the VH92-A Presidential Helicopter Program. In accordance with established Defense Priorities and Allocations System Regulations and Department of Defense policy, conflicts in prioritization or allocation of industrial resources resulting from this designation shall be addressed by the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics (Manufacturing and Industrial Base Policy).

Ash Carter
MEMORANDUM FOR SERVICE ACQUISITION EXECUTIVES
DIRECTORS OF THE DEFENSE AGENCIES

SUBJECT: Updated DX-Rated Program Listing

On October 26, 2014, I requested DoD components review the list of DX-authorized programs to determine if the programs should continue their DX ratings. Based on the justifications received, I have updated the DX list to ensure that it only contains those programs currently of the highest national defense urgency and for which only a DX rating will meet compressed milestone schedules.

The new list of approved DX programs is at Attachment 1. DoD components are authorized to assign DX priority ratings to contracts and orders in support of these programs. DoD components may not assign any new DX ratings in support of programs that have been removed from the DX list. However, they do not have to modify current contracts and purchase orders to include the lower DO rating unless those contracts or purchase orders will persist beyond one year from the date of this memorandum. Please address requests for exceptions to this policy to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manufacturing and Industrial Base Policy (DASD(MIBP)).

DoD components may nominate programs for DX status at any time. Nominations for DX status should be submitted to the DASD(MIBP) in accordance with DoD 4400.1-M, “Department of Defense Priorities and Allocations Manual.” Even absent a DX rating, DoD components may request Special Priorities Assistance should it become necessary to reprioritize deliveries for individual contracts or orders to meet a specific need or due to a change in military urgency. Such requests should be submitted to the DASD(MIBP). My point of contact is Mr. Juan Millan, ODASD(MIBP), at 571-372-6243 or juan.l.millan.civ@mail.mil

Attachments:
As stated
Department of Defense List of DX-Rated Programs

The Department of Defense has authority under the Defense Priorities and Allocations System (15 CFR 700) to place industrial priority ratings on its contracts. DoD uses two ratings: “DO” and “DX.” If necessary to meet required delivery dates at any level in the supply chain, DO-rated orders must be given production preference over unrated (commercial) orders, and DX-rated orders must be given preference over DO-rated orders and unrated orders.

In accordance with DoD 4400.1-M, “Department of Defense Priorities and Allocations Manual,” DO ratings are placed on the vast majority of DoD contracts. DX ratings can only be approved by the Secretary of Defense. DoD components are currently authorized to use DX industrial priority ratings in support of the following programs:

**Department of Defense**

- Program 390
- Integrated Ballistic Missile Defense System

**Department of the Navy**

- Presidential Helicopters (VH-3D, VH-60N)
- Fleet Ballistic Missile Weapons System, Trident System
- Program 341

**Department of the Air Force**

- Space-Based Infrared System (SBIRS) High
- Intercontinental Ballistic Missile, Minuteman III
- B-2 Stealth Bomber
- VC-25A Presidential Aircraft