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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF FOR INTELLIGENCE, USA
DIRECTOR OF NAVAL INTELLIGENCE, USN
ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, INTELLIGENCE, USAF
VICE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR RESOURCES & SYSTEMS, DIA

SUBJECT: Language and Area Studies Programs

The attached program announcements introduce the Defense Academic Research Support Program and the Defense Advanced Language and Area Studies Program. They focus on research and languages in significant areas of the developing world. Although these areas promise to be increasingly important for future national security policy and planning, the Department of Defense has little or no resident expertise in them.

-- The Defense Academic Research Support Program will draw on scholars for research to broaden the understanding and perspective of Defense analysts, and to develop instructional materials.

-- The Defense Advanced Language and Area Studies Program will develop resident expertise through advanced academic training and area familiarization for Defense analysts.

These are pilot programs. We will have two years to demonstrate their feasibility and usefulness. Their success will depend on how well they prepare us for the future. You should nominate for training now the promising analysts you will depend on five years from now, and select research topics with future rather than current analytical needs in mind.

We will learn and adjust as we go along. I count on your support and welcome your suggestions.

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Enclosures a/s

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