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SUBJECT: Unclassified DoD Issuances (Directives, Regulations, Manuals, and Administrative Instructions) on the WHS Public Web Site

References: (a) SECDEF ALDODACT MSG, 141553Z JAN 03, SUBJ: WEB SITE  
OPSEC DISCREPANCIES  
(b) DA&M Memorandum, "Security Awareness Week- October 20-23,  
2003," dated October 6, 2003

In reference (a) the Secretary of Defense pointed out that sensitive unclassified information continues to be found on public web sites. "One must conclude," Secretary Rumsfeld wrote, "our enemies access DoD web sites on a regular basis." He reminded all addressees that "Heads of Components are responsible for management of information placed on Component web sites." A subsequent analysis showed that over 100,000 monthly visits to the WHS web site originated from unidentifiable addresses. Significantly, the majority of the hits from these masked addresses were for communication and intelligence related documents.

My memorandum, reference (b), announced the Annual Security Awareness Week beginning today and cited the Deputy Secretary of Defense's concern about the importance of protecting critical information. In line with his concerns and those of Secretary Rumsfeld about protecting our military personnel and operations, it is fitting to request a fresh look at the information currently presented on the WHS public web site.



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Please review your unclassified DoD issuances for any sensitive information that might be helpful to our adversaries. Any issuance you identify should be marked as "For Official Use Only" and be reported to the Directives and Records Division. Those issuances will be removed from our publicly accessible web site and made available to individual requestors only with your approval.

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