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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

**Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault
in the Armed Forces; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting**

AGENCY: General Counsel of the Department of Defense, Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces, Department of Defense

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces will take place.

DATE: Open to the public, Friday, January 25, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESS: Doubletree by Hilton Crystal City, 300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, Virginia.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dwight Sullivan, 703-695-1055 (Voice), dwight.h.sullivan.civ@mail.mil (Email). Mailing address is DACIPAD, One Liberty Center, 875 N. Randolph Street, Suite 150, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Website: <http://dacipad.whs.mil/>. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda can be found on the website.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. § 552b, as amended), and 41 C.F.R. §§ 102-3.140 and 102-3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: In section 546 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal

Year 2015 (Pub. L. No. 113-291), as modified by section 537 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Pub. L. No. 114-92), Congress tasked the DAC-IPAD to advise the Secretary of Defense on the investigation, prosecution, and defense of allegations of rape, forcible sodomy, sexual assault, and other sexual misconduct involving members of the Armed Forces. This will be the eleventh public meeting held by the DAC-IPAD. The purpose of the meeting is to gather information for the Committee to make an assessment and recommendations to the Secretary of Defense regarding the effects of sexual assault investigations on accused Service members. The Committee will also receive two data presentations, one from its Data Working Group regarding sexual assault court-martial case adjudication data for fiscal years 2015-2017. The second data presentation will be provided by the Case Review Working Group regarding the statistical data collected during its review of a random sample of penetrative sexual assault investigative case files closed in fiscal year 2017. Finally, the Committee will conduct deliberations on its draft 2019 annual report.

Agenda: 9:00 a.m. – 9:10 a.m. Public Meeting Begins – Welcome and Introduction; 9:10 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. Panel: Effects of Sexual Assault Investigations on Accused Service Members (1 hr 30 mins); 10:40 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. Break; 10:50 a.m. – 11:50 p.m. Data Working Group Presentation of Sexual Assault Court-Martial Data (1 hr); 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch; 1:00 p.m. – 1:50 p.m. Case Review Working Group Presentation of Investigative Case File Review Data (1 hr); 1:50 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Break; 2:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. Committee Deliberations on March 2019 Draft Report (3 hrs); 4:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Public Comment; 5:00 p.m. Public Meeting Adjourned.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552b and 41 C.F.R. §§ 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, and the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is limited and is

on a first-come basis. Individuals requiring special accommodations to access the public meeting should contact the DAC-IPAD at whs.pentagon.em.mbx.dacipad@mail.mil at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. In the event the Office of Personnel Management closes the government due to inclement weather or for any other reason, please consult the website for any changes to the public meeting date or time.

Written Statements: Pursuant to 41 C.F.R. § 102-3.140 and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments to the Committee about its mission and topics pertaining to this public session.

Written comments must be received by the DAC-IPAD at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting date so that they may be made available to the Committee members for their consideration prior to the meeting. Written comments should be submitted via e-mail to the DAC-IPAD at whs.pentagon.em.mbx.dacipad@mail.mil in the following formats: Adobe Acrobat or Microsoft Word. Please note that since the DAC-IPAD operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, all written comments will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection. Oral statements from the public will be permitted, though the number and length of such oral statements may be limited based on the time available and the number of such requests. Oral presentations by members of the public will be permitted from 4:45 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on January 25, 2019, in front of the Committee members.

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