

THE DEFENSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATION, PROSECUTION, AND DEFENSE OF SEXUAL ASSAULT IN THE ARMED FORCES

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The Twenty-first Public Meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces Will Be Held on Friday, December 4, 2020.

Arlington, Virginia - The twenty-first public meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces ("DAC-IPAD" or "the Committee"), will be held on Friday, December 4, 2020, from 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. EST via teleconference.

At this meeting the Committee will vote on the final draft of the DAC-IPAD Report on Racial and Ethnic Data Relating to Disparities in the Investigation, Prosecution, and Conviction of Sexual Offenses in the Military as required by section 540I of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020.

This meeting is open to the public via teleconference. For public access to the teleconference dial: 410-874-6300, PIN: 428 926 205. More information about the Committee, including the meeting agenda and materials, is available on its website at http://dacipad.whs.mil. Additionally, please consult the website for any changes to the public meeting dates or time.

The DAC-IPAD was established by the Secretary of Defense in February 2016, in accordance with section 546 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015, as amended. The Committee is tasked 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 based on its review of such cases on an ongoing basis.

The DAC-IPAD welcomes input from the public on issues under its consideration. Requests to make public comment, submission of written comments or materials, and any other inquiries may be directed to Ms. Marguerite McKinney at whs.pentagon.em.mbx.dacipad@mail.mil.