

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****Defense Science Board Task Force on Control of Military Excess/Surplus Materiel**

ACTION: Notice of advisory committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board Task Force on Control of Military Excess/Surplus Materiel will meet in open session on February 10–11, 1998 at Strategic Analysis, Inc., 4001 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia. Due to unforeseen circumstances this meeting is scheduled on short notice.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense.

Persons interested in further information should call Mr. Mike Turner at (703) 693–5716 or Mr. George McVeigh at (703) 312–8662.

Dated: February 2, 1998.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Defense Logistics Agency****Privacy Act of 1974; Computer Matching Program**

AGENCY: Defense Manpower Data Center, Defense Logistics Agency, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of a computer matching program.

SUMMARY: Subsection (e)(12) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, (5 U.S.C. 552a) requires agencies to publish advance notice of any proposed or revised computer matching program by the matching agency for public comment. The DoD, as the matching agency under the Privacy Act is hereby giving constructive notice in lieu of direct notice to the record subjects of a computer matching program between HUD and DoD that their records are being matched by computer. The record subjects are HUD delinquent debtors who may be current or former Federal employees receiving Federal salary or benefit payments and who are delinquent in their repayment of debts owed to the United States Government under programs administered by HUD

so as to permit HUD to pursue and collect the debt by voluntary repayment or by administrative or salary offset procedures under the provisions of the Debt Collection Act of 1982.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This action will become effective March 18, 1998, unless comments are received which would result in a contrary determination. Any public comment must be received before the effective date.

ADDRESSES: Any interested party may submit written comments to the Acting Director, Defense Privacy Office, 1941 Jefferson Davis Highway, Room 920, Arlington, VA 22202-4502.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Vahan Moushegian, Jr., at (703) 607-2943.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to subsection (o) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, (5 U.S.C. 552a), the DMDC and HUD have concluded an agreement to conduct a computer matching program between the agencies. The purpose of the match is to exchange personal data between the agencies for debt collection. The match will yield the identity and location of the debtors within the Federal government so that HUD can pursue recoupment of the debt by voluntary payment or by administrative or salary offset procedures. Computer matching appeared to be the most efficient and effective manner to accomplish this task with the least amount of intrusion of personal privacy of the individuals concerned. It was therefore concluded and agreed upon that computer matching would be the best and least obtrusive manner and choice for accomplishing this requirement.

A copy of the computer matching agreement between HUD and DMDC is available upon request to the public. Requests should be submitted to the address caption above or to the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Debt Management and Title I Operations Division, 470 L'Enfant Plaza, Suite 3115, Washington, DC 20024.

Set forth below is the notice of the establishment of a computer matching program required by paragraph 6.c. of the Office of Management and Budget Guidelines on computer matching published in the **Federal Register** on June 19, 1989 at 54 FR 25818.

The matching agreement, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(r) of the Privacy Act, and an advance copy of this notice was submitted on January 20, 1998, to the House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, and the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs,

Office of Management and Budget pursuant to paragraph 4d of Appendix I to OMB Circular No. A–130, 'Federal Agency Responsibilities for Maintaining Records about Individuals,' dated February 8, 1996 (61 FR 6435). The matching program is subject to review by OMB and Congress and shall not become effective until that review period has elapsed.

Dated: January 26, 1998.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

NOTICE OF A COMPUTER MATCHING PROGRAM BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FOR DEBT COLLECTION

A. PARTICIPATING AGENCIES: Participants in this computer matching program are the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) of the Department of Defense (DoD). The HUD is the source agency, i.e., the activity disclosing the records for the purpose of the match. The DMDC is the specific recipient activity or matching agency, i.e., the agency that actually performs the computer matching.

B. PURPOSE OF THE MATCH: Upon the execution of this agreement, the HUD will provide and disclose debtor records to DMDC to identify and locate any matched Federal personnel, employed or retired, who owe delinquent debts to the Federal Government under certain programs administered by HUD. These debtors are from the Title I Property Improvement Loan Program, Single Family Generic Debt program and the Departmental Claims. HUD will use this information to initiate independent collection of those debts under the provisions of the Debt Collection Act of 1982 when voluntary payment is not forthcoming. These collection efforts will include requests by HUD of the employing agency to apply administrative and/or salary offset procedures until such time as the obligation is paid in full.

C. AUTHORITY FOR CONDUCTING THE MATCH: The legal authority for conducting the matching program is contained in the Debt Collection Act of 1982 (Pub. L. 97-365), as amended by the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-134, section 31001); 31 U.S.C. Chapter 37, Subchapter I (General) and Subchapter II (Claims of the United States Government), 31 U.S.C. 3711 Collection and Compromise, 31 U.S.C. 3716

Administrative Offset, 5 U.S.C. 5514 Installment Deduction for Indebtedness (Salary Offset); 10 U.S.C. 136, as amended, Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness; 10 U.S.C. 138, as amended, Assistant Secretaries of Defense; section 101(1) of Executive Order 12731; 4 CFR Chapter II, Federal Claims Collection Standards (General Accounting Office - Department of Justice); 5 CFR 550.1101 - 550.1108 Collection by Offset from Indebted Government Employees (OPM); 24 CFR part 17, Administrative Claims, subpart C, §§ 17.60 and 17.125-17.140, Salary Offset Provisions (HUD) implementing 5 U.S.C. 5514(b)(1).

D. **RECORDS TO BE MATCHED:** The systems of records maintained by the respective agencies from which records will be disclosed for the purpose of this computer match are as follows:

HUD will use personal data from the record system identified as HUD/DEPT 2, entitled 'Accounting Records' last published in the **Federal Register** on November 25, 1994, at 59 FR 60651.

DOD will use personal data from the record system identified as S322.11 DMDC, entitled 'Federal Creditor Agency Debt Collection Data Base,' last published in the **Federal Register** at June 25, 1996, at 61 FR 32779.

Sections 5 and 10 of the Debt Collection Act of 1982 authorize agencies to disclose information about debtors in order to effect salary or administrative offsets. Agencies must publish routine uses pursuant to subsection (b)(3) of the Privacy Act for those systems of records from which they intend to disclose this information. Sections 5 and 10 of the Debt Collection Act will comprise the necessary authority to meet the Privacy Act's 'compatibility' condition. The systems of records described above contain an appropriate routine use disclosure between the agencies of the information proposed in the match. The routine use provisions are compatible with the purpose for which the information was collected.

E. **DESCRIPTION OF COMPUTER MATCHING PROGRAM:** HUD, as the source agency, will provide DMDC with a electronic file which contains the names of delinquent debtors in programs HUD administers. Upon receipt of the electronic file of debtor accounts, DMDC will perform a computer match using all nine digits of the SSN of the HUD file against a DMDC computer database. The DMDC database, established under an interagency agreement between DOD, OPM, OMB, and the Department of the Treasury, consists of employment records of non-postal Federal employees

and military members, active, and retired. Matching records ('hits'), based on the SSN, will produce the member's name, service or agency, category of employee, and current work or home address. The hits or matches will be furnished to HUD. HUD is responsible for verifying and determining that the data on the DMDC reply tape file are consistent with HUD's source file and for resolving any discrepancies or inconsistencies on an individual basis. HUD will also be responsible for making final determinations as to positive identification, amount of indebtedness and recovery efforts as a result of the match.

The electronic file provided by HUD will contain data elements of the debtor's name, SSN, internal account numbers and the total amount owed for each debtor on approximately 44,779 delinquent debtors, (42,960 in Title I, 1,665 in Generic Debt and 154 in Department Claims.

The DMDC computer database file contains approximately 10 million records of active duty and retired military members, including the Reserve and Guard, and the OPM government wide non-postal Federal civilian records of current and retired Federal employees.

DMDC will match the SSN on the HUD file by computer against the DMDC database. Matching records, hits based on SSN's will produce data elements of the member's name, SSN, service or agency, and current work or home address.

F. **INCLUSIVE DATES OF THE MATCHING PROGRAM:** This computer matching program is subject to review by Congress and the Office of Management and Budget. If no objections are raised by either, and the mandatory 30 day public notice period for comment has expired, then this computer matching program becomes effective. By agreement between HUD and DMDC, the matching program will be in effect and continue for 18 months with an option to renew for 12 additional months unless one of the parties to the agreement advises the other by written request to terminate or modify the agreement.

G. **ADDRESS FOR RECEIPT OF PUBLIC COMMENTS OR INQUIRIES:** Acting Director, Defense Privacy Office, 1941 Jefferson Davis Highway, Room 920, Arlington, VA 22202-4502. [FR Doc. 98-2397 Filed 2-6-98; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Redesignation From Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to Environmental Assessment (EA) for Disposal and Reuse of Surplus Property at Naval Support Activity (Formerly Naval Air Station (NAS)) Memphis, Millington, Tennessee

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy gives notice that an Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared, and an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required, for the disposal and reuse of surplus property at Naval Support Activity (NSA) (formerly Naval Air Station (NAS)) Memphis, Millington, Tennessee.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the Review EA are to be directed to Mr. Darrell Molzan (Code 064DM), Southern Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, P.O. Box 190010, North Charleston, SC 29419-9010, FAX (803) 820-7472.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Darrell Molzan, (803) 820-5796.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508) implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Department of the Navy gives notice that an EA has been prepared for the disposal of NAS Memphis and the subsequent reuse of those surplus property.

A Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an EIS was published in **Federal Register** on June 9, 1994. A public scoping meeting for the proposed project was held on June 28, 1994, at the Baker Community Center, 7942 Church Street, Millington, Tennessee. This meeting was advertised in Millington area newspapers.

In accordance with recommendations of the 1993 Base Closure and Realignment Commission, the Navy has realigned the former NAS Memphis. As part of the realignment, air operations conducted at the former air station have been either disestablished or transferred to other naval facilities. The proposed action involves the disposal of the majority of the land, buildings, and infrastructure associated with the air operations on the northside of NSA Memphis including runways, taxi ways, hangers, etc. Approximately 1,900 acres will be declared excess. The EA will evaluate alternative reuse concepts of the property, including a "no action"