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MEMORANDUM FOR DESIGNATED FEDERAL OFFICER, DEFENSE BUSINESS BOARD

SUBJECT: Determination to Close a Defense Business Board Meeting

The Defense Business Board (the "Board") will meet in closed session on Wednesday, August, 8, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Rooms 3E155 and 3E863 in the Pentagon in Washington, DC. The meeting will begin at 8:00 a.m. in Room 3E155 with opening remarks from Ms. Roma Laster, the Board's Designated Federal Officer, and Mr. Bill Simon, Chairman of the Board. Following opening comments, the Board will receive presentations from the Boston Consulting Group and McKinsey & Company, Inc. containing proprietary information on cost management efforts within the Department. The Board will next meet in Room 3E863 with the Secretary and the Deputy Secretary of Defense for a classified discussion of the National Defense Strategy. The meeting will adjourn not later than 1:00 p.m.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, (5 U.S.C. Appendix) and 41 C.F.R. § 102-3.155, it is hereby determined that the meeting of the Board concerns information and matters covered by 5 U.S.C. §§ 552b(c)(1) and (c)(4), and that, accordingly, the meeting will be closed to the public.

The 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c)(1) determination is based on the consideration that the Secretary and the Deputy Secretary of Defense discussions will involve classified matters of national defense or foreign policy. Such classified material is so intertwined with the unclassified material that it cannot reasonably be segregated into separate discussion without disclosing secret or otherwise classified material. The 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c)(4) determination is based on the fact that both the Boston Consulting Group and McKinsey & Company Inc. will disclose commercial information that is privileged or confidential.

As required by 41 C.F.R. § 102-3.155(d), the Board must ensure a copy of this determination is made available to the public upon request. In light of this determination, the Board shall also comply with all requirements for reporting closed meetings as specified in Department of Defense Instruction 5105.04.

If you should have any questions concerning this determination, please contact the Designated Federal Officer, Roma Laster, at 703-695-7563 or roma.k.laster.civ@mail.mil.

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