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### MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Integrated Product Team (IPT) for Adoption of Commercial Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Standards for DoD Logistics Business Transactions

Department of Defense Reform Initiative Directive (DRID) #48, Adoption of Commercial EDI Standards for DoD Logistics Business Transactions (Enclosure 1), directs the replacement of DoD-unique information exchange transaction formats with the commercial equivalent American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Accredited Standards Committee (ASC) X12 EDI standards. The DRID further directs Joint Electronic Commerce Program Office (JECPO) to develop a comprehensive implementation plan for this action in conjunction with the Military Services and Agencies. The use of ANSI ASC X12 EDI standards will simplify DoD interfaces with private industry and federal agencies and facilitate the use of electronic commerce within the Department.

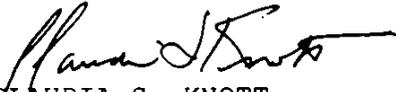
The logistics community requires your assistance in this effort. Your office is in an ideal position to facilitate the required actions within your respective Service or Agency to bring this initiative to reality. Accordingly, request you appoint a primary and an alternate representative of your Service or Agency to the subject IPT. The Team, chartered by the JECPO, will develop a detailed implementation plan and will monitor the transition of the Department's current logistics transactions to ANSI ASC X12 EDI standards. IPT members should have a working functional and technical knowledge of current and evolving logistics processes/systems within their respective organizations. They must be empowered to act authoritatively on behalf of their organizations and to call upon the expertise of appropriate individuals in related logistics and information management/electronic commerce specialities, as needed.

The initial IPT meeting will convene on January 20, 1999, at the Logistics Management Institute, 2000 Corporate Ridge, McLean, VA. The meeting agenda is at Enclosure 2. A read-ahead packet will be provided by separate correspondence.

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Your active participation and support are crucial to the success of this total effort to revitalize our logistics data interchange processes. Request you provide the name, organization, telephone number, and e-mail address of your primary and alternate representatives to Mr. Frank St. Mark, telephone 703-275-5029; DSN 235-5029; or e-mail francis\_st.mark@hq.dla.mil by January 6, 1999. Point of contact for this action is Mr. Dale Yeakel, telephone 703-275-5037; DSN 235-5037; or e-mail yeakeld@ncr.disa.mil.

2 Enclosures a/s

  
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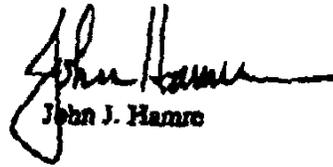
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**SUBJECT: Department of Defense Reform Initiative Directive #48 - Adoption of Commercial EDI Standards for DoD Logistics Business Transactions**

A Joint Service/Agency Committee was established in response to Management Reform Memorandum #11 to address issues and concerns relating to the conversion of DoD business systems to use of commercial identifiers. The Joint Service/Agency Committee recommended that the scope of the commercial identifier initiative be modified to implement American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Accredited Standards Committee (ASC) X12 commercial electronic data interchange (EDI) standards in lieu of current proprietary DoD logistics information exchange standards. The rationale being that the existing DoD-unique transaction formats are impediments to the critical business process changes required to support the war-fighting mission. Adopting these commercial EDI standards supports the Department's process improvement and reengineering goals to adopt commercial practices and increase our reliance on the commercial sector for logistics support. Further, replacing DoD's proprietary logistics transaction formats with the ANSI ASC X12 EDI standards serves as a necessary stepping-stone to move our automated systems towards international open systems standards.

To ensure that the Department exploits available commercial standards through an integrated approach to its business system upgrades, I direct that the Joint Electronic Commerce Program Office (JECPO) form an Integrated Product Team (IPT) to develop a comprehensive implementation plan in conjunction with the Military Services and Defense Agencies. The plan shall identify a phased implementation approach to migrate the Department's logistics transactions to the use of ANSI ASC X12 EDI standards, or other commercial EDI standards identified in Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 161-2 as appropriate, to simplify DoD interfaces with the private and federal civilian sectors, and to enable the required changes to the Department's logistics business processes.

Services and Agencies will support the JECPO in developing the phased implementation plan. IPT points of contact shall be identified to the JECPO within thirty days. Services and Agencies shall program, fund, and execute the plan's implementation through process improvements and business system upgrades. Within ninety days, the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology), in coordination with the DoD Chief Information Officer, shall issue policy and procedures to effect use of FIPS 161-2 approved commercial EDI standards for transaction exchanges for all new and planned business systems. The JECPO shall report progress on these efforts monthly to the DoD Deputy Chief Information Officer, and the Director, Defense Reform Initiative. This directive supersedes Management Reform Memorandum #11.



John J. Hamre

**AGENDA**  
**Adoption of Commercial Electronic Data Interchange (EDI)**  
**For Logistics Business Transactions**  
**Integrated Product Team (IPT) Kick-Off Meeting**  
**January 20 , 1999**

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Presenter</u>
0830-0845	Welcome, Meeting Overview, Administrative Remarks	LTC Modell (IPT Chair)
0845-1000	Leadership Presentations	Mr. Kallock (DUSD(L)) Mr. Goldstein (DUSD(L)) (LSM) Ms. Scottie Knott (Director JECPO)
1000-1015	Break	ALL
1015-1100	Current MEDLOG EDI Initiatives	COL Clark (DMLSS-PMO)
1100-1200	Overview of Defense Logistics EDI	Mr. Crawford (LMI)
1200-1300	Catered Lunch (Review Morning Discussions)	ALL
1300-1400	Current Capabilities and Technologies	DAASC (Presenter TBD)
1400-1500	Roles and Responsibilities (IPT Charter Discussion) (IPT Administrative Procedures)	LTC Modell (IPT Chair)
1500-1515	Break	ALL
1515-1600	Implementation Plan Outline	LTC Modell (IPT Chair) LMI
1600-1630	OSD Policy (Strawman)	LTC Modell (IPT Chair)
1630-1700	Wrap-Up (IPT Taskings)	LTC Modell (IPT Chair)