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MEMORANDUM FOR PROCESS REVIEW POCs

SUBJECT: Next Generation Transactions (Extensible Markup Language (XML))

XML is a simple and flexible information exchange format that is well suited to support web-enabled business applications. XML is also playing an increasingly important role in the exchange of a wide variety of data within the Department of Defense (DOD). To take advantage of XML and ensure interoperability, the Defense Logistics Management Standards Office (DLMSO) developed XML schemas that support DOD enterprise integration and end-to-end customer business process reengineering objectives.

DLMSO developed XML schemas are worldwide-web consortium compliant and embody the full functionality of DOD modernization and legacy automated system-to-system and user interface requirements. In coordination, the Defense Automatic Addressing System Center developed maps that support these XML schemas so system implementers can move forward unencumbered by legacy constraints.

To ensure DOD logistics takes full advantage of this expanding capability and solicit user input, an initial operating capability kick-off meeting will be held September 9, 2003 (details to follow). Points of contact for this effort are Mr. Wil Bailey, 703-767-6984, Wilbert.Bailey@dla.mil and Mr. Nat Obey, 703-767-6976, Nathaniel.Obey@.dla.mil.

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