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SUBJ/ PROGRAM DIRECTIVE FOR JOINT PUBLICATION 3-12 "DOCTRINE FOR JOINT NUCLEAR OPERATIONS"//

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RMKS/1. THIS MESSAGE ANNOUNCES THE CONSOLIDATION OF JOINT PUBLICATION (JP) 3-12, "DOCTRINE FOR JOINT NUCLEAR OPERATIONS", AND JP 3-12.1, "DOCTRINE FOR JOINT THEATER NUCLEAR OPERATIONS", INTO A SINGLE JOINT PUBLICATION 3-12, "DOCTRINE FOR JOINT NUCLEAR OPERATIONS." US STRATEGIC COMMAND (USSTRATCOM) IS ASSIGNED AS THE LEAD AGENT FOR THE REVISED JP 3-12, WITH THE JOINT STAFF J5 AS THE JOINT STAFF DOCTRINE SPONSOR (JSDS).

2. BACKGROUND. US JOINT FORCES COMMAND (USJFCOM) JOINT WARFIGHTING CENTER (JWFC) ASSESSED THE UTILITY AND QUALITY OF THE CURRENT JP 3-12 AND JP 3-12.1. THEIR FINDINGS REFLECT THE RESULTS OF AN ANALYSIS BASED ON DATA COLLECTED FROM NUMEROUS SOURCES, TO INCLUDE INPUT FROM

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COMBATANT COMMANDS, SERVICES, AND THE JOINT STAFF. ADDITIONAL DATA WAS COLLECTED THROUGH SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT INTERVIEWS AND A REVIEW OF THE JOINT AFTER-ACTION REPORT DATABASE, JOINT ELECTRONIC LIBRARY AND OTHER APPLICABLE DATABASES. AS A RESULT OF THIS ASSESSMENT, THE JWFC RECOMMENDED THE CONSOLIDATION OF THESE TWO PUBLICATIONS. THE OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS HIGHLIGHTED IN THE ASSESSMENT REPORT WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE LEAD AGENT FOR INCLUSION IN THE REVISION OF JP 3-12.

3. SCOPE: THIS PUBLICATION PROVIDES GUIDELINES FOR THE JOINT EMPLOYMENT OF FORCES IN NUCLEAR OPERATIONS. IT PROVIDES GUIDANCE FOR EMPLOYMENT OF BOTH STRATEGIC AND NONSTRATEGIC (THEATER) NUCLEAR FORCES; COMMAND AND CONTROL RELATIONSHIPS; AND WEAPONS EFFECT CONSIDERATIONS. IT IS WRITTEN FOR THOSE WHO:

A. PROVIDE STRATEGIC DIRECTION TO JOINT FORCES (SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF (NORMALLY IN CONSULTATION WITH THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF) AND COMMANDERS OF COMBATANT COMMANDS).

B. EMPLOY JOINT FORCES (COMMANDERS OF UNIFIED COMMANDS, SUBUNIFIED COMMANDS, OR JOINT TASK FORCES).

4. CHAPTER OUTLINE:

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A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

B. CHAPTER I - OBJECTIVES

1) GENERAL

2) LAW OF ARMED CONFLICT

3) THE RANGE OF MILITARY OPERATIONS

C. CHAPTER II - EMPLOYMENT OF FORCES

1) FUNDAMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

2) CONSIDERATIONS IN FORCE PLANNING AND EMPLOYMENT

3) COMMAND AND CONTROL

4) CONTROL AND AUTHORITY FOR EMPLOYMENT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

- 5) OFFENSIVE-DEFENSIVE INTEGRATION
- 6) TARGETING CONSIDERATIONS
- 7) OPERATIONS IN A NUCLEAR ENVIRONMENT
- D. CHAPTER III - STRATEGIC NUCLEAR OPERATIONS
 - 1) COMMAND RELATIONSHIPS AND RESPONSIBILITIES
 - 2) STRATEGIC NUCLEAR FORCE INTEGRATION
 - 3) PLANNING AND EMPLOYMENT
 - 4) COMBAT ASSESSMENT
- E. CHAPTER IV - THEATER NUCLEAR OPERATIONS
 - 1) COMMAND RELATIONSHIPS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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- 2) THEATER NUCLEAR FORCE INTEGRATION
- 3) PLANNING AND EMPLOYMENT
- 4) COMBAT ASSESSMENT
- F. APPENDIX
 - A - TREATY OBLIGATIONS
 - B - REFERENCES
 - C - ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS
- G. GLOSSARY
- 5. RECOMMENDED TARGET AUDIENCE FOR JP 3-12 INCLUDES COMBATANT COMMANDERS, COMPONENT COMMANDERS, JOINT TASK FORCES, SERVICES, JOINT STAFF, AND OTHER COMMANDS OR AGENCIES, AS APPROPRIATE.
- 6. REFERENCE RELEVANT JOINT, MULTI-SERVICE, AND SERVICE DOCTRINE AND PROGRAM DIRECTIVES FOR PENDING PUBLICATIONS. IN ADDITION, OTHER SOURCES OF INFORMATION TO BE CONSIDERED ARE:
 - A. PRESIDENTIAL DECISION DIRECTIVES
 - B. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PUBLICATIONS AND DIRECTIVES
 - C. LEGISLATION
 - D. DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS PLANS
 - E. TREATIES AND AGREEMENTS
 - F. OPEN SOURCE RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

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- 7. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT MILESTONES:
 - FIRST DRAFT RELEASE: SEP 01
 - SECOND DRAFT RELEASE: FEB 02
 - FINAL COORDINATION RELEASE: JUL 02
 - APPROVAL: JAN 03
- 8. THE LEAD AGENT IS DIRECTED TO COORDINATE WITH THE SERVICES, COMBATANT COMMANDS, AND APPROPRIATE DEFENSE AGENCIES THROUGHOUT THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS. COMBATANT COMMANDS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN WORKING GROUPS THROUGHOUT THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS.
- 9. JP 1-02 TERMINOLOGY WILL BE USED TO THE GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE. NEW TERMS SHOULD ONLY BE USED WHEN ESSENTIAL TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE PROPOSED DOCTRINE. THE JOINT ELECTRONIC LIBRARY ON-LINE SERVICES SHALL BE USED TO ENSURE THE LATEST APPROVED TERMINOLOGY IS USED.
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