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SUBJECT: Mandatory Use of the Defense Travel System (DTS)

As required by Section 943 of the FY 2007 John Warner Defense Authorization Act, an independent study was conducted to determine “the most cost-effective method of meeting Department of Defense travel requirements.” The study was completed and delivered to Congress on July 10, 2007. Among the study conclusions, with which the Department concurred, was a recommendation to “establish a clearer mandate for the use of DTS for all travel that it is currently capable of efficiently supporting.”

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority conferred by Management Initiative Directive 921, DTS will be the single, online travel system used by the Department. This mandate applies to all travel functions currently supported by the system and those that will be supported in the future, as they become available.

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