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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
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SUBJECT: Awareness Training for Combating Trafficking in Persons

The Secretary of Defense directed commanders, at all levels, to ensure their units are trained to understand and recognize indicators of the serious crime of Trafficking in Persons in the attached September 16, 2004 memorandum.

To support this direction, we developed an awareness training program on Trafficking in Persons. The program: (1) reviews U.S. Government policy on Trafficking in Persons; (2) examines the phenomenon of trafficking; (3) describes ways to identify persons who are trafficked; and (4) describes the legal provisions and their consequences for involvement with trafficking.

Combatant Commanders should supplement this basic instruction for unique cultural and legal considerations within their Areas of Operations. We are developing an Advanced Distributed Learning on-line version for global distribution in January 2005. DoD Component suggestions on improvements to the basic training package are invited.

Trafficking in Persons Awareness Training is mandatory for all DoD military and civilian personnel, and for DoD contract personnel, deploying overseas. The attached training package can be downloaded from http://www.jkddcjmo.org.

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Attachments:
As stated