

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****Defense Science Board Task Force on Control of Military Excess/Surplus Materiel**

ACTION: Notice of advisory committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board Task Force on Control of Military Excess/Surplus Materiel will meet in open session on February 10-11, 1998 at Strategic Analysis, Inc., 4001 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia. Due to unforeseen circumstances this meeting is scheduled on short notice.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense.

Persons interested in further information should call Mr. Mike Turner at (703) 693-5716 or Mr. George McVeigh at (703) 312-8662.

Dated: February 2, 1998.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Defense Logistics Agency****Privacy Act of 1974; Computer Matching Program**

AGENCY: Defense Manpower Data Center, Defense Logistics Agency, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of a computer matching program.

SUMMARY: Subsection (e)(12) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, (5 U.S.C. 552a) requires agencies to publish advance notice of any proposed or revised computer matching program by the matching agency for public comment. The DoD, as the matching agency under the Privacy Act is hereby giving constructive notice in lieu of direct notice to the record subjects of a computer matching program between HUD and DoD that their records are being matched by computer. The record subjects are HUD delinquent debtors who may be current or former Federal employees receiving Federal salary or benefit payments and who are delinquent in their repayment of debts owed to the United States Government under programs administered by HUD

so as to permit HUD to pursue and collect the debt by voluntary repayment or by administrative or salary offset procedures under the provisions of the Debt Collection Act of 1982.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This action will become effective March 18, 1998, unless comments are received which would result in a contrary determination. Any public comment must be received before the effective date.

ADDRESSES: Any interested party may submit written comments to the Acting Director, Defense Privacy Office, 1941 Jefferson Davis Highway, Room 920, Arlington, VA 22202-4502.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Vahan Moushegian, Jr., at (703) 607-2943.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to subsection (o) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, (5 U.S.C. 552a), the DMDC and HUD have concluded an agreement to conduct a computer matching program between the agencies. The purpose of the match is to exchange personal data between the agencies for debt collection. The match will yield the identity and location of the debtors within the Federal government so that HUD can pursue recoupment of the debt by voluntary payment or by administrative or salary offset procedures. Computer matching appeared to be the most efficient and effective manner to accomplish this task with the least amount of intrusion of personal privacy of the individuals concerned. It was therefore concluded and agreed upon that computer matching would be the best and least obtrusive manner and choice for accomplishing this requirement.

A copy of the computer matching agreement between HUD and DMDC is available upon request to the public. Requests should be submitted to the address caption above or to the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Debt Management and Title I Operations Division, 470 L'Enfant Plaza, Suite 3115, Washington, DC 20024.

Set forth below is the notice of the establishment of a computer matching program required by paragraph 6.c. of the Office of Management and Budget Guidelines on computer matching published in the **Federal Register** on June 19, 1989 at 54 FR 25818.

The matching agreement, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(r) of the Privacy Act, and an advance copy of this notice was submitted on January 20, 1998, to the House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, and the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs,

Office of Management and Budget pursuant to paragraph 4d of Appendix I to OMB Circular No. A-130, 'Federal Agency Responsibilities for Maintaining Records about Individuals,' dated February 8, 1996 (61 FR 6435). The matching program is subject to review by OMB and Congress and shall not become effective until that review period has elapsed.

Dated: January 26, 1998.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

NOTICE OF A COMPUTER MATCHING PROGRAM BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FOR DEBT COLLECTION

A. PARTICIPATING AGENCIES: Participants in this computer matching program are the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) of the Department of Defense (DoD). The HUD is the source agency, i.e., the activity disclosing the records for the purpose of the match. The DMDC is the specific recipient activity or matching agency, i.e., the agency that actually performs the computer matching.

B. PURPOSE OF THE MATCH: Upon the execution of this agreement, the HUD will provide and disclose debtor records to DMDC to identify and locate any matched Federal personnel, employed or retired, who owe delinquent debts to the Federal Government under certain programs administered by HUD. These debtors are from the Title I Property Improvement Loan Program, Single Family Generic Debt program and the Departmental Claims. HUD will use this information to initiate independent collection of those debts under the provisions of the Debt Collection Act of 1982 when voluntary payment is not forthcoming. These collection efforts will include requests by HUD of the employing agency to apply administrative and/or salary offset procedures until such time as the obligation is paid in full.

C. AUTHORITY FOR CONDUCTING THE MATCH: The legal authority for conducting the matching program is contained in the Debt Collection Act of 1982 (Pub. L. 97-365), as amended by the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-134, section 31001); 31 U.S.C. Chapter 37, Subchapter I (General) and Subchapter II (Claims of the United States Government), 31 U.S.C. 3711 Collection and Compromise, 31 U.S.C. 3716