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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION GUIDANCE FOR REGIONAL DEFENSE COUNTERTERRORISM FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

A. REFERENCE OUSD/SOLIC 051527Z FEB 03 MESSAGE, SUBJECT: REGIONAL DEFENSE COUNTERTERRORISM FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.

1. REFERENCED MESSAGE, FROM OASD(SO/LIC) (THE USDP-ASSIGNED POLICY OFFICE OF PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE REGIONAL DEFENSE COUNTERTERRORISM FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM - CT FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM), PROVIDED PROGRAM POLICY GUIDANCE.

2. DSCA, IN ITS USDP-ASSIGNED ROLE AS THE ADMINISTERING AGENCY FOR THE CT FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM, PROVIDES THE FOLLOWING IMPLEMENTATION GUIDANCE:

A. GENERAL CT FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM GUIDELINES:

(1) TRAINING PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT:

(A) FOLLOW IMET PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE, E.G., USING THE TRAINING PROGRAM MANAGEMENT REVIEW (TPMR) TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE FOR PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING BUDGET AND PLAN YEAR PROGRAMS.

(B) SAOS WILL CLEAR TRAINING/EDUCATION PROPOSALS THROUGH THE COMBATANT COMMANDER (WHICH WILL IN TURN PASS THE PROPOSED TRAINING/EDUCATION TO SO/LIC FOR POLICY APPROVAL).

(C) FOLLOWING CLEARANCE SAOS SHOULD PASS TRAINING/EDUCATION PROGRAMMING INFO TO MILDEPS FOR ENTRY ON THE CT FELLOWSHIP TRAINING STL THE SAME WAY IMET TRAINING IS PROGRAMMED OUTSIDE THE TPMR CYCLE. SO/LIC SHOULD BE INFOED AND WILL HAVE ACCESS TO THE STLS THROUGH THE SAN WEB.

(2) TRAINING COURSE COSTING:

(A) PRICED USING IMET RATES (EVEN IF THE RECIPIENT COUNTRY DOES NOT RECEIVE IMET FUNDING).
(B) TRAVEL AND LIVING ALLOWANCE (TLA) FACTORS COMPUTED IN THE SAME MANNER AS FOR SECURITY ASSISTANCE TRAINING WHERE THE PROGRAM FUNDS 100% OF TLA.

(C) MEDICAL (WILL PAY FOR THE SAME KINDS OF EMERGENCY CARE IMET COVERS); COSTS INCURRED WILL BE PAID ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS FROM THE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATIVE SET ASIDE.

(D) PROGRAM PAYS ANY CANCELLATION FEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ESTABLISHED SECURITY ASSISTANCE RULES.

(E) 5% ADMIN FEE (ASSESSED AGAINST THE PSEUDO CASE VALUE) AS CHARGED FOR OTHER NON-STANDARD PROGRAMS.

(F) CT FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM PAYS ANY OTHER EXPECTED, OR REASONABLE UNANTICIPATED COSTS INCURRED BY STUDENTS.

(3) PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION:

(A) PSEUDO CASE BO2 IS TO BE USED FOR THE CURRENT COUNTERTERRORISM FUNDING AUTHORITY AND A NEW PSEUDO CASE WILL BE ASSIGNED BY DSICA FOR FUTURE COUNTERTERRORISM FUNDING AUTHORITIES.

(B) PSEUDO CASE BO2 WILL BE USED TO CLEARLY IDENTIFY THE LISTED TRAINING AS REGIONAL DEFENSE COUNTERTERRORISM FELLOWSHIP TRAINING, AND MANAGED USING THE TRAINING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (TMS) AND APPLICABLE MILITARY DEPARTMENT TRAINING AUTOMATION SYSTEMS.

(C) PROGRAMED TRAINING WILL BE REFLECTED ON A STANDARDIZED TRAINING LISTING (STL).

(4) STUDENT ADMINISTRATION:

(A) CANDIDATES WILL BE IDENTIFIED ACCORDING TO SO/LIC POLICY GUIDANCE AND SELECTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ESTABLISHED SERVICE / SCHOOLHOUSE GUIDELINES (TO ENSURE OPTIMUM QUOTA ALLOCATION / MANAGEMENT / UTILIZATION).

(B) VETTING WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE EMBASSY USING THE SAME PROCEDURES AS FOR SECURITY ASSISTANCE TRAINING.

(C) OTHER SCREENING REQUIREMENTS (SUCH AS ENGLISH COMPREHENSION LEVEL TESTING, ETC.) WILL FOLLOW TRADITIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE TRAINING PROGRAM PROCEDURES.

(D) SO/LIC REQUIRES AN ADDITIONAL POLICY APPROVAL PROCESS FOR CANDIDATES AFTER THEY HAVE MET THE VETTING, MEDICAL, LANGUAGE, AND OTHER STANDARD REQUIREMENTS. QUALIFIED CANDIDATE NOMINATIONS WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMBATANT COMMAND WHICH WILL ENDORSE AND FORWARD TO SO/LIC AND THE JOINT STAFF FOR FINAL POLICY APPROVAL.

(E) OTHER STUDENT ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS WILL BE MET FOLLOWING TRADITIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE TRAINING PROCEDURES.

(F) STUDENT TRACKING WILL FOLLOW TRADITIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE TRAINING PROGRAM PROCEDURES. ADDITIONALLY, TWO ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(1) A CANDIDATE PACKAGE WITH BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH/RESUME MUST BE PROVIDED TO SO/LIC DURING THE CANDIDATE APPROVAL PROCESS.
(2) SCHOOLS PROVIDING TRAINING TO CT PROGRAM STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO REPORT STUDENT ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TO SO/LIC PARTICULARLY EARLY DEPARTURE PRIOR TO COURSE COMPLETION.

3. PROGRAM GUIDELINES SPECIFIC TO THE CT FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM:

A. SO/LIC WILL NOTIFY COMBATANT COMMANDS AND DSCA OF ANNUAL FUNDING ALLOCATIONS (TO INCLUDE INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY FUNDING BREAKOUTS). SO/LIC WILL ALSO PROVIDE TIMELY UPDATES ON MID-YEAR ADJUSTMENTS TO COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS AND FUNDING LEVELS.

B. CANDIDATE POLICY APPROVAL WILL FOLLOW PROCESS OUTLINED ABOVE.

C. ALL NON-LETHAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING IS TO BE CONSIDERED AVAILABLE THROUGH THE CT FELLOWSHIP. SO/LIC WILL APPROVE PROPOSED EDUCATION AND TRAINING AND WILL PUBLISH REFERENCE LISTS OF PRIORITY COURSES AND PROGRAMS.

D. SO/LIC WILL REVIEW / STAFF / PROVIDE ALL CONCERNED THE APPROVED DECISION ON ANY PROGRAM WAIVER REQUESTS.

E. THE CT FELLOWSHIP WILL INCLUDE INFORMATION PROGRAMS AVAILABLE TO SECURITY ASSISTANCE TRAINING PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS.

F. DEPENDENTS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED EXCEPT BY SO/LIC WAIVER.

G. WHEN NOT CLEARLY EVIDENT, COUNTRY STATED UTILIZATION OF THE TRAINING CANDIDATE SHOULD DETERMINE WHICH FUNDING SOURCE (IMET, CT OR OTHER) IS MOST APPROPRIATE.

H. UPDATED PROGRAM INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE CT FELLOWSHIP WEBPAGE ACCESSIBLE THROUGH THE DISAM INTERNATIONAL TRAINING MANAGEMENT HOMEPAGE AT HTTP://DISAM.OSD.MIL/INTL_TRAINING/

4. FLOW OF FUNDS:

FUNDS WILL BE RELEASED BY THE DSCA COMPTROLLER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT DIVISION AT THE REQUEST OF THE CT FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM MANAGER. FUNDS WILL BE SENT VIA PROGRAM BUDGET ACCOUNTING SYSTEM, MILITARY INTERDEPARTMENT PURCHASE REQUEST OR FUNDING MEMORANDUM.
5. OASD(SO/LIC) HAS COORDINATED ON AND APPROVED RELEASE OF THIS PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION / IMPLEMENTATION MESSAGE. SO/LIC POC FOR THE CT FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM IS DAVID RADCLIFFE, PHONE (703) 697-3053 OR DSN 227-3053; EMAIL DAVID.RADCLIFFE@OSD.MIL.

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