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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE
ATTN: ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING

SUBJECT: Deletion of the High Performance Computing Modernization (HPCM) Program from the List of Major Defense Acquisition Programs (MDAP) that are Required to Submit Selected Acquisition Reports (SAR) under 10U.S.C. **2432**

The HPCM program provides high performance computing services for the Department of Defense science and technology and test and evaluation communities. The program has established High Performance Computing Centers, the Defense Research Engineering Network, and a Software Application Support Activity that are fully operational. All planned Major Shared Resource Centers, selection processes, and service providing processes have been established and are operational today. As such, I have determined that more than 90% of the total HPCM program has been delivered. Therefore I am deleting it from the list of MDAPs that must submit SARs under 10U.S.C. **2432**.

The ongoing HPCM program provides an essential set of services – the operation and sustainment of the high performance computing infrastructure for the Department of Defense Science and Technology and test and evaluation mission areas. The program has moved into the maintenance and operations phase of the acquisition program life cycle and will continue to upgrade existing capabilities in response to user requirements, budget decisions, and existing acquisition policy governing individual acquisition actions. However, the continuing technology refresh activities do not require continued SARs.

HPCMP shall comply with the statutory and regulatory requirements of the Clinger Cohen Act and the DoD 5000 series. The Director, Defense Research and Engineering, will continue as Executing Agent for the remainder of FY **2003**. The Air Force will assume Executing Agent responsibilities beginning FY **2004**, consistent with Program Budget Decision 277.

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