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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chiefs of the Military Services

Commanders of the Combatant Commands Directors of the Joint Staff Directorates

Subject: Definition of Cyberspace Operations

1. On behalf of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, effective immediately, the Department of Defense will use the following definition of "cyberspace operations" until further notice. This memorandum supersedes CM 0527-08 dated 10 November 2008.

cyberspace operations: The employment of cyber capabilities where the primary purpose is to achieve objectives in or through cyberspace. Such operations include computer network operations and activities to operate and defend the Global Information Grid.

2. The Joint Staff will incorporate this definition into JP 1-02, "DOD Dictionary of Military and Associated Terms." Additionally, the Joint Staff will initiate appropriate joint doctrine changes in accordance with CJCSI 5705.01C, "Standardization of Military and Associated Terminology" and CJCSI 5120.02A, "Joint Doctrine Development System."

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