

1 *future-years defense programs in calendar years after cal-*
2 *endar year 2017.*

3 **SEC. 1042. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE INTEGRATION OF IN-**
4 **FORMATION OPERATIONS AND CYBER-EN-**
5 **ABLED INFORMATION OPERATIONS.**

6 *(a) INTEGRATION OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE IN-*
7 *FORMATION OPERATIONS AND CYBER-ENABLED INFORMA-*
8 *TION OPERATIONS.—*

9 *(1) ESTABLISHMENT OF CROSS-FUNCTIONAL*
10 *TASK FORCE.—*

11 *(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense*
12 *shall establish a cross-functional task force con-*
13 *sistent with section 911(c)(1) of the National De-*
14 *fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017*
15 *(114–328; 10 U.S.C. 111 note) to integrate*
16 *across the organizations of the Department of*
17 *Defense responsible for information operations,*
18 *military deception, public affairs, electronic war-*
19 *fare, and cyber operations to produce integrated*
20 *strategy, planning, and budgeting to counter,*
21 *deter, and conduct strategic information oper-*
22 *ations and cyber-enabled information operations.*

23 *(B) DUTIES.—The task force shall carry out*
24 *the following:*

1 (i) *Development of a strategic frame-*
2 *work for the conduct by the Department of*
3 *Defense of information operations, includ-*
4 *ing cyber-enabled information operations,*
5 *coordinated across all relevant Department*
6 *of Defense entities, including both near-term*
7 *and long-term guidance for the conduct of*
8 *such coordinated operations.*

9 (ii) *Development and dissemination of*
10 *a common operating paradigm across the*
11 *organizations specified in subparagraph (A)*
12 *of the influence, deception, and propaganda*
13 *activities of key malign actors, including in*
14 *cyberspace.*

15 (iii) *Development of guidance for, and*
16 *promotion of, the liaison capability of the*
17 *Department to interact with the private sec-*
18 *tor, including social media, on matters re-*
19 *lated to the influence activities of malign*
20 *actors.*

21 (2) *HEAD OF CROSS-FUNCTIONAL TASK FORCE.—*

22 (A) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense*
23 *shall appoint as the head of the task force such*
24 *individual as the Secretary considers appro-*
25 *priate from among individuals serving in the*

1 *Department as an Under Secretary of Defense or*
2 *in such other position within the Department of*
3 *lesser order of precedence.*

4 (B) *RESPONSIBILITIES.—The responsibilities*
5 *of the head of the task force are as follows:*

6 (i) *Oversight of strategic policy and*
7 *guidance.*

8 (ii) *Overall resource allocation for the*
9 *integration of information operations and*
10 *cyber operations of the Department.*

11 (iii) *Ensuring the task force faithfully*
12 *pursues the purpose set forth in subpara-*
13 *graph (A) of paragraph (1) and carries out*
14 *its duties as set forth in subparagraph (B)*
15 *of such paragraph.*

16 (iv) *Carrying out such activities as are*
17 *required of the head of the task force under*
18 *subsections (b) and (c).*

19 (b) *REQUIREMENTS AND PLANS FOR INFORMATION*
20 *OPERATIONS.—*

21 (1) *COMBATANT COMMAND PLANNING.—The Sec-*
22 *retary shall require each commander of a combatant*
23 *command to develop such requirements and specific*
24 *plans as may be necessary for the conduct of informa-*
25 *tion operations, including plans for deterring infor-*

1 *mation operations, particularly in the cyber domain,*
2 *by malign actors against the United States, allies of*
3 *the United States, and interests of the United States.*

4 (2) *IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR DEPARTMENT OF*
5 *DEFENSE STRATEGY FOR OPERATIONS IN THE INFOR-*
6 *MATION ENVIRONMENT.—*

7 (A) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days*
8 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the*
9 *head of the task force shall—*

10 (i) *review the Department of Defense*
11 *Strategy for Operations in the Information*
12 *Environment, dated June 2016; and*

13 (ii) *submit to the congressional defense*
14 *committees a plan for implementation of*
15 *such strategy.*

16 (B) *ELEMENTS.—The implementation plan*
17 *shall include, at a minimum, the following:*

18 (i) *An accounting of the efforts under-*
19 *taken in support of the strategy described in*
20 *subparagraph (A)(i) since it was issued in*
21 *June 2016.*

22 (ii) *A description of any updates or*
23 *changes to such strategy that have been*
24 *made since it was first issued, as well as*

1 *any expected updates or changes in light of*
2 *the establishment of the task force.*

3 *(iii) A description of the role of the De-*
4 *partment as part of a broader whole-of-gov-*
5 *ernment strategy for strategic communica-*
6 *tions, including assumptions about the roles*
7 *and contributions of other Government de-*
8 *partments and agencies to such a strategy.*

9 *(iv) Defined actions, performance*
10 *metrics, and projected timelines to achieve*
11 *the following specified tasks:*

12 *(I) Train, educate, and prepare*
13 *commanders and their staffs, and the*
14 *Joint Force as a whole, to lead, man-*
15 *age, and conduct operations in the in-*
16 *formation environment.*

17 *(II) Train, educate, and prepare*
18 *information operations professionals*
19 *and practitioners to enable effective op-*
20 *erations in the information environ-*
21 *ment.*

22 *(III) Manage information oper-*
23 *ations professionals, practitioners, and*
24 *organizations to meet emerging oper-*
25 *ational needs.*

1 (IV) *Establish a baseline assess-*
2 *ment of current ability of the Depart-*
3 *ment to conduct operations in the in-*
4 *formation environment, including an*
5 *identification of the types of units and*
6 *organizations currently responsible for*
7 *building and employing information-*
8 *related capabilities and an assignment*
9 *of appropriate roles and missions for*
10 *each type of unit or organization.*

11 (V) *Develop the ability of the De-*
12 *partment and operating forces to en-*
13 *gage, assess, characterize, forecast, and*
14 *visualize the information environment.*

15 (VI) *Develop and maintain the*
16 *proper capabilities and capacity to op-*
17 *erate effectively in the information en-*
18 *vironment in coordination with imple-*
19 *mentation of related cyber and other*
20 *strategies.*

21 (VII) *Develop and maintain the*
22 *capability to assess accurately the ef-*
23 *fect of operations in the information*
24 *environment.*

1 (VIII) *Adopt, adapt, and develop*
2 *new science and technology for the De-*
3 *partment to operate effectively in the*
4 *information environment.*

5 (IX) *Develop and adapt informa-*
6 *tion environment-related concepts,*
7 *policies, and guidance.*

8 (X) *Ensure doctrine relevant to*
9 *operations in the information environ-*
10 *ment remains current and responsive*
11 *based on lessons learned and best prac-*
12 *tices.*

13 (XI) *Develop, update, and de-con-*
14 *flict authorities and permissions, as*
15 *appropriate, to enable effective oper-*
16 *ations in the information environment.*

17 (XII) *Establish and maintain*
18 *partnerships among Department and*
19 *interagency partners to enable more ef-*
20 *fective whole-of-government operations*
21 *in the information environment.*

22 (XIII) *Establish and maintain*
23 *appropriate interaction with entities*
24 *that are not part of the Federal Gov-*
25 *ernment, including entities in indus-*

1 *try, entities in academia, Federally*
2 *funded research and development cen-*
3 *ters, and other organizations, to enable*
4 *operations in the information environ-*
5 *ment.*

6 *(XIV) Establish and maintain*
7 *collaboration between and among the*
8 *Department and international part-*
9 *ners, including partner countries and*
10 *nongovernmental organizations, to en-*
11 *able more effective operations in the in-*
12 *formation environment.*

13 *(XV) Foster, enhance, and lever-*
14 *age partnership capabilities and ca-*
15 *pacities.*

16 *(v) An analysis of any personnel,*
17 *resourcing, capability, authority, or other*
18 *gaps that will need to be addressed to en-*
19 *sure effective implementation of the strategy*
20 *described in subparagraph (A)(i) across all*
21 *relevant elements of the Department.*

22 *(vi) An investment framework and*
23 *projected timeline for addressing any gaps*
24 *identified under clause (v).*

1 (vii) *Such other matters as the Sec-*
2 *retary of Defense considers relevant.*

3 (C) *PERIODIC STATUS REPORTS.*—*Not later*
4 *than 90 days after the date on which the imple-*
5 *mentation plan is submitted under subpara-*
6 *graph (A)(ii) and not less frequently than once*
7 *every 90 days thereafter until the date that is*
8 *three years after the date of such submittal, the*
9 *head of the task force shall submit to the congres-*
10 *sional defense committees a report describing the*
11 *status of the efforts of the Department to accom-*
12 *plish the tasks specified under clauses (iv) and*
13 *(vi) of subparagraph (B).*

14 (c) *TRAINING AND EDUCATION.*—*Consistent with the*
15 *elements of the implementation plan required under clauses*
16 *(i) and (ii) of subsection (b)(2)(B)(4), the head of the task*
17 *force shall establish programs to provide training and edu-*
18 *cation to such members of the Armed Forces and civilian*
19 *employees of the Department of Defense as the Secretary*
20 *considers appropriate to ensure understanding of the role*
21 *of information in warfare, the central goal of all military*
22 *operations to affect the perceptions, views, and decision-*
23 *making of adversaries, and the effective management and*
24 *conduct of operations in the information environment.*

1 (d) *ESTABLISHMENT OF DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER FOR INFORMATION OPERATIONS AND CYBER OPERATIONS.*—*The Secretary shall establish a position within*
2 *the Department of Defense known as the “Defense Intel-*
3 *ligence Officer for Information Operations and Cyber Oper-*
4 *ations”.*

7 (e) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

8 (1) *The term “head of the task force” means the*
9 *head appointed under subsection (a)(2)(A).*

10 (2) *The term “implementation plan” means the*
11 *plan required by subsection (b)(2)(A)(ii).*

12 (3) *The term “task force” means the cross-func-*
13 *tional task force established under subsection*
14 *(a)(1)(A).*

15 **SEC. 1043. PROHIBITION ON LOBBYING ACTIVITIES WITH**
16 **RESPECT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**
17 **BY CERTAIN OFFICERS OF THE ARMED**
18 **FORCES AND CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF THE**
19 **DEPARTMENT WITHIN TWO YEARS OF SEPA-**
20 **RATION FROM MILITARY SERVICE OR EM-**
21 **PLOYMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT.**

22 (a) *PROHIBITION.*—*An individual described in sub-*
23 *section (b) may not engage in lobbying activities with re-*
24 *spect to the Department of Defense during the two-year pe-*
25 *riod beginning on the date of retirement or separation from*



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