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MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Antiterrorism Building Standards for Leased Space

In July 2011, then Deputy Secretary of Defense Lynn suspended the requirement for lease renewals or extensions to comply with the DoD minimum antiterrorism standards for buildings prescribed in Unified Facilities Criteria 4-010-01, pending evaluation of Federal security standards by the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics (USD(AT&L)).

Based upon review by the DoD Force Protection Senior Steering Group (FPSSG) and the recommendation of the USD(AT&L), I am directing the USD(AT&L) to incorporate the Federal security standards established by the Interagency Security Committee (ISC) into the Unified Facilities Criteria for off-installation facility space leased by the Department. This decision is effective immediately and applies to all leases managed by the Department, as well as to space occupied in buildings owned or operated by the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA). The current suspension for lease renewals or extensions is hereby cancelled, except for cases where the tenant has initiated a written request to the GSA or other leasing agent as of the date of this memorandum. Current tenants shall implement the ISC standards in accordance with existing lease agreements to the extent practicable.

The FPSSG, consistent with its charter as the senior-level, intradepartmental oversight structure to facilitate coordination and integration of force protection policy across the Department, may adjudicate issues arising from implementing this policy. DoD Components shall update all existing policy guidance as necessary within 12 months.

I believe this change in policy is consistent with prudent management of both our security risks and our limited resources, and it will serve to enhance the Department's long-term mission viability.



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