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SUBJECT: Designation of MILDEP Cognizance of Commercial AEW&C Programs  
**(IAX-00008)** (DSCA Policy 00-05, 15 Mar 2000, Subject: Designation of  
MILDEP Cognizance of Commercial AEW&C Programs)

This memorandum implements DSCA guidance pertaining to commercial Airborne Early Warning and Control (AEW&C) policy within the Air Force by assigning cognizance for each of the current commercial AEW&C systems to the military departments (MILDEPS).

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that commercial AEW&C systems are interoperable and compatible with U.S. systems, and that they are compliant with technology transfer limitations.

The U.S. Air Force is assigned cognizance for the following current commercial AEW&C systems: Boeing 737 with MESA Radar, and Airbus 310 with PHALCON Radar (with U.S. industry integration). USAF has the authority to insist upon a cooperative program or an FMS case when necessary to ensure the requisite interoperability, compatibility, and compliance of DCS commercial AEW&C systems.

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(INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS)  
DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

DIRECTOR, NAVY INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OFFICE  
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

SUBJECT: Designation of Military Department Cognizance of Commercial Airborne  
Early Warning and Control (AEW&C) Programs (DSCA 00 05)

On 18 October 1999, the Deputy Secretary of Defense signed the commercial AEW&C policy memorandum, attached. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that commercial AEW&C systems are interoperable and compatible with U.S. systems, and that they are compliant with technology transfer limitations. Unlike the E-3 and E-767 AWACS, E-2C, and C-130J/E-2C mission system, that are subject to FMS-only restrictions, commercial AEW&C systems may be sold via DCS. The policy memorandum delegates a cognizant military department the authority to insist upon a cooperative program or an FMS case when necessary to ensure the requisite interoperability, compatibility, and compliance of DCS commercial AEW&C systems.

This memorandum implements the commercial AEW&C policy by assigning cognizance for each of the current commercial AEW&C systems to the military departments as follows:

U.S. Air Force cognizance:

Boeing 737 with MESA Radar  
Airbus 310 with PHALCON Radar (with U.S. industry integration)

U.S. Navy cognizance:

C-130J with AURA Radar

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SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE  
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MEMORANDUM FOR SAF/IA

SUBJECT: Commercial Airborne Early Warning and Control (AEW&C) Policy

Reference: DepSecDef Policy Memorandum, 18 Oct 99, same subject

SAF/IA is hereby given executive oversight authority for commercial AEW&C platforms offered to U.S. allies for military use, when the Air Force is designated as the cognizant service. In this capacity, SAF/IA will develop and coordinate service policy that establishes a government-to-government relationship for these systems. Policy objectives for these systems include meeting country requirements, insuring insight and compliance with export controls and technology transfer limitations (for example, DODI 5230.28, Low Observable and Counter Low Observable Programs) and providing for interoperability and compatibility with U.S. systems to support potential coalition operations.

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**TITLE: DSCA Policy 00-05, 15 Mar 2000, Designation of MILDEP Cognizance of Commercial AEW&C Programs**

**DETAIL:**

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