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LOGISTIC PLANNING GUIDANCE FOR PRE-POSITIONING SHIPS

Reference: DOD Directive 5158.4, 8 January 1993, "US
Transportation Command"

1. Purpose. This instruction establishes logistic planning guidance for pre-positioning (PREPO) ships, which carry Army, Navy, and Air Force equipment and supplies for use in contingencies.
2. Cancellation. DJSM-1404-91, 26 December 1991, "Logistic Planning Guidance for Pre-Positioning Ships," is canceled.
3. Applicability. This instruction applies to the Services, the unified and specified commands, and the Joint Staff.
4. Policy. Policy guidance for this instruction is in the Enclosure.
5. Procedures. The procedures are outlined in the Enclosure.
6. Summary of Changes. This instruction reflects changes as a result of promulgation of the reference, clarifies Service responsibilities regarding costs for operating PREPO ships, and delineates combatant command and operational control of PREPO ships assigned to various geographic areas.
7. Effective Date. This instruction is effective upon receipt.

For the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff:

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1. General. Pre-positioning (PREPO) ships carry forward-based contingency equipment and supplies for the Army, Navy, and Air Force in the Mediterranean Sea and the Indian and Pacific Oceans. This instruction does not apply to ships of the Maritime Pre-Positioning Forces Program.

2. Responsibilities

a. The Service owning the pre-positioned cargo will determine cargo contents and cargo maintenance requirements. Cargo maintenance should be scheduled concurrent with vessel maintenance whenever possible. Every effort should be made to minimize vessel offstation time and limit ships from having concurrent maintenance. Cargo and vessel maintenance will be scheduled by the Service after coordination with USCINCTRANS (as appropriate) and the affected CINCs.

b. Services are responsible for the following costs:

(1) Vessel lease (at Defense Business Operating Fund-Transportation billing rates).

(2) The actual cargo and ammunition maintenance costs accumulated during scheduled maintenance.

(3) Discharge and back loading (i.e., break-bulk ship cargo to and from a pier, Lighterage Aboard Ship (LASH) barges to and from a buoy) costs accumulated during scheduled maintenance.

(4) A Service request for a change to provided services. Examples are the procurement and/or installation of reefer units to modify cargo storage environment and incremental costs if Service-requested changes cause the ship to exceed programmed costs.

(5) The cost of scheduled and unscheduled ship-driven discharge and back load at any site.

3. Procedures

a. Positioning of equipment and supplies on forward-based ships provides CINCs greater deployment flexibility by reducing early lift requirements. Afloat pre-positioning also allows the rapid movement from one region to another as priorities or circumstances dictate.

b. PREPO ships are manned by civilian mariner crews. PREPO ships require permissive offloading with adequate terminal and

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port facilities, either afloat or ashore, to discharge cargo. Host-nation support is required to expedite cargo operations, minimize port congestion, and move the forward echelon out of the seaports.

c. For deliberate planning, the JSCP apportions the PREPO ships as forces. During execution, actual commitment of PREPO ships and cargo will be in accordance with CJCS-established priorities. During execution, requests for reallocation of PREPO cargoes will be addressed to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and handled through the Joint Material Priorities and Allocation Board. Final authority to divert PREPO ships and cargoes from their primary task requires NCA approval.

d. Upon discharge of pre-positioned cargo and release of the PREPO ships by the supported CINC, the ships will revert to the USTRANSCOM common-user sealift pool unless assigned, by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to support the operational requirements of another CINC. Any conflicts concerning allocation of ships after USCINTRANS has assumed combatant command (COCOM) will be resolved by the Joint Transportation Board. Management support for PREPO ships may be requested from USCINTRANS by the Service owning the PREPO cargo in accordance with the reference. PREPO ships will be based at sites that best meet national security requirements. Requests for changing permanent support locations of PREPO ships will be forwarded from the affected combatant commands or Services to the Joint Staff for coordination with other combatant commands and Services.

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