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SUBJECT: Approval of the 2016 Department of Defense Maintenance Symposium

On July 8, 2016, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics officially approved the 2016 DoD Maintenance Symposium consistent with the Deputy Chief Management Officer's DoD Conference Guidance, Version 3.0, issued September 23, 2016. While the Military Services or Commands may choose to place additional controls on attending, this approval covers attendance for all DoD participants. The Symposium is a key enabler for our maintenance community and I encourage you to support it with a robust level of participation. The success of our Symposium and our ability to shape our path forward in this critical time depend on it.

The DoD Maintenance Symposium is the preeminent conference focused solely on maintenance. It is the **only** forum sponsored and conducted by the Office of the Secretary of Defense that addresses maintenance of weapon systems and equipment. Additionally, the Symposium provides the platform to annually present the Secretary of Defense Maintenance Awards to the winning units, the highest award for maintenance in the Department.

This year's Symposium will be held at the Albuquerque Convention Center, Albuquerque, New Mexico, December 5-8, 2016. The theme is *Engaging Tomorrow's Maintenance Enterprise Challenges, Today!* The DoD maintenance community, along with our Nation, is in a dynamic era – an era shaped as much by economic realities as by national defense requirements. How we, as a community, respond to the emergent threats, evolving scenarios and

strategies, and economic constraints of this era will determine our success in the future. Each and every attendee at this year's Maintenance Symposium has the ability to affect how our community does business, thus this forum is an excellent opportunity to make a contribution directly to our national defense. Our comprehensive agenda is structured to frame the key policy, resourcing, process and technology issues affecting the maintenance enterprise. I encourage all to take advantage of this unique opportunity to shape our future.

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