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(U) EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

(U) BACKGROUND

The strategic environment has changed significantly since the end of the Cold War, and events since September 11, 2001 have dramatically demonstrated that we have entered a new era of conflict with difficult challenges to overcome. To meet these challenges, the Department of the Army requires enterprise services to create an information advantage by providing seamless collaboration and moving the power of information to the tactical edge. Implementing an Army Enterprise Email Service (EMCS) is a major step towards meeting these needs.

(U) PROBLEM

Today's joint force operations require extensive collaboration across organizational boundaries and rapid deployments to world-wide locations. To operate across organizational boundaries, our forces are hamstrung with excessive equipment (e.g., multiple user access devices), inefficient operations (e.g., multiple user email addresses), and suffer the consequences of reduced capabilities (e.g., unable to quickly find contact information for non-organizational personnel). Our current environment of disparate, loosely connected organizational email systems has inherent deficiencies that prevent net-centric operations and hinder cross-organizational collaboration.

(U) WAY FORWARD (VISION STATEMENT)

The Army plans to eventually consolidate existing email systems into a single enterprise email service. The ultimate end state of the Army EMCS is to provide operational forces with the ability to access email from any terminal attached to a DoD network in any operational environment. Forces can easily discover the contact information for, and exchange messages with, anyone in the DoD enterprise. Virtual teams, spanning organizations and geographical locations, can create dynamic distribution lists and share calendars. Deploying forces can seamlessly disconnect from the home station and reconnect at forward locations without the need for intensive, manual administrative processes. Distributed nodes at the tactical edge can operate as an integrated part of the Army EMCS when network connectivity is available or operate stand-alone, providing local user email services when disconnected from the enterprise network. Forces have stable identities allowing full collaboration to leverage the collective knowledge of U.S. forces to defeat any enemy. The current acquisition effort is the first step in that direction. This initial effort is a learning opportunity for the Army. Future acquisitions may or may not be built on this foundation.

(U) BENEFITS

The Army EMCS will improve mission effectiveness; reduce vulnerabilities to cyber attacks posed by adversaries, and save millions of dollars. In summary, those who

support the goals of our nation require robust global connectivity and email in a wide variety of environments. The DoD must operate collaboratively across the collective enterprise to seamlessly facilitate information-enabled operations. Army EMCS is the first step.

NOTE: The Executive Summary and throughout this document, the desired end-state of a consolidated email system is provided. In this way, leaders working on Spiral 1 understand the Army's vision for the future. It in no way guarantees or is meant to imply this will be the final end-state.

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1 **1 (U) INTRODUCTION**

2 **1.1 (U) PURPOSE**

3 This document, 7th Signal Command Enterprise Email Spiral 1 (EMCS) Concept of
4 Operations (CONOPS), describes the concept of operations for initial managed service
5 enterprise email capabilities, which will:

- 6 • Operate in a fully networked, global collaborative environment.
- 7 • Initially address the full spectrum of Army email mission requirements at the non-
8 tactical level.
- 9 • Establish a baseline e-mail service in order to evaluate the EMCS on its ability to
10 support Army organizations within CONUS.
- 11 • Set the stage for ongoing operations and maintenance of the system after full
12 operational capability of Spiral 1 is complete.

13 **1.2 (U) SCOPE**

14 This CONOPS specifies the full operational capability (FOC) required to execute spiral 1
15 enterprise email operations across the Army enterprise and will set the stage for
16 expanded email capability for future requirements. The CONOPS describes the end
17 state for spiral 1 Army enterprise email service (EMCS) consistent with current joint
18 warfighting and intelligence community operations. Spiral 1 only applies to the
19 unclassified (NIPRNet) network within the Continental United States (CONUS) and will
20 have the capability to support up to 230,000 users.

21 **1.3 (U) OVERARCHING MISSION NEEDS**

22 To keep pace with the ever changing strategic global landscape, the Department of
23 Defense is pursuing the most comprehensive transformation since World War II. The
24 Army transformation efforts underway in support of the DoD are both evolutionary and
25 revolutionary in nature and intended to improve our national capabilities to meet the
26 demanding requirements of a nation at war, as well as future, full spectrum national
27 security requirements. National security transformation will attain a force capable of full
28 spectrum operations in a joint/inter-agency, network-enabled, and global collaborative
29 environment.

30 To meet national security challenges, the Army community requires enterprise
31 capabilities that provide an information advantage through network-enabled,
32 commander-centric operations and seamless collaboration across the entire enterprise,
33 while moving the power of information to the tactical edge. These enterprise
34 capabilities must be configured to achieve the appropriate balance between information
35 sharing and information security.

36 The primary mission drivers for the Army EMCS are improved mission effectiveness by
37 using common, standard enterprise services; unification (e.g., improved security,
38 enterprise directory services, and identity management services), and significant cost
39 savings. A user's email address should not change as the user moves between home
40 station, mission rehearsal or exercise, en route, and deployment. This includes
41 providing access to email from any location (using client software or a web-browser), a
42 complete global address list, universal calendar functionality, and similar enterprise
43 email capabilities. The objective is to improve U.S. Army operations by enhancing
44 communication across the Army enterprise. Military, civilian, and contractor personnel
45 supporting U.S. Army missions require the ability to:

- 46 • Access email capabilities from anywhere, at anytime, and from any place, whether
47 stationary or mobile.
- 48 • Find and validate the identity of, and securely exchange information with, people
49 within the Army enterprise and external entities (e.g., federal agencies, mission
50 partners, and coalition partners) with whom they must interact to perform missions.
- 51 • Coordinate efforts by sharing individual, organizational, and resource calendars
52 across the Army enterprise.
- 53 • Easily and effectively share information among virtual groups that are
54 geographically dispersed and organizationally diverse.
- 55 • Continue critical mission operations at a local level when disconnected from the
56 enterprise email network.

57 The Army community must:

- 58 • Improve the effectiveness of mission planning and execution by integrating and
59 extending email capabilities.
- 60 • Reduce the vulnerability of email to the growing cyber security threats by
61 eliminating unnecessary seams between the thousands of current heterogeneous
62 local networks.
- 63 • Reduce the cost of email by eliminating unnecessary administration and inefficient
64 network configurations to free up resources for other Army priorities.

65 The initial effort of implementing Army enterprise email as a managed service is the first
66 step towards ultimately achieving the overarching needs. It fulfills some of the
67 objectives completely, some of them partially, and some of them not at all, while
68 allowing the Army to understand both the value and the complexity of implementing
69 managed services.

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71 **1.4 (U) CURRENT ARMY EMAIL ENVIRONMENT**

72 Army organizations have independently implemented and optimized email capabilities
73 for effective use within their respective organizational boundaries. Consequently, the
74 Army enterprise contains multiple, disparate stove-piped email systems and processes
75 that prevent net-centric operations and hinder cross-organizational/mission
76 collaboration. Further, the multiple organizational email systems employ user access
77 devices that are uniquely configured to limit access to authorized users. In this current
78 environment users are unable to:

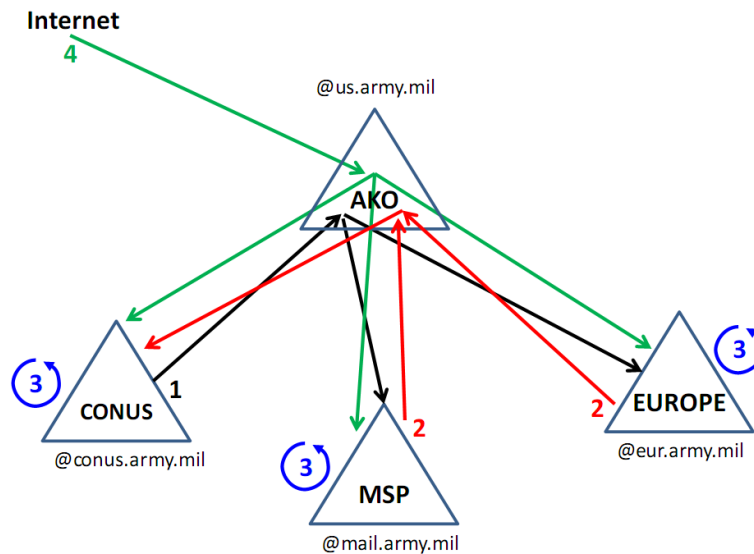
- 79 • Easily find and exchange information with personnel across operational
80 environments and across the DoD.
- 81 • View calendars and reserve shared resources external to respective local
82 organization.
- 83 • Send signed and encrypted email to many DoD personnel.

84 Linking islands of organizational networks with dissimilar security capabilities and
85 processes creates vulnerabilities. Unless corrected, these cross-organizational
86 vulnerabilities provide opportunities for enemies to apply increasingly sophisticated
87 cyber attacks. Collectively, sustaining the plethora of organization-specific email
88 systems within the Army enterprise consumes significant resources with estimated
89 annual operating costs in excess of \$400 million. Dominant cost factors are the
90 administrative and technical support staffs required to support each organizational email
91 system at the post, camp, base, station and current APC.

92 The Army's Active Directory (AD) structure is based on multiple generating forces' forest
93 implementations of Microsoft Active Directory 2003 or in some cases 2008 in both the
94 Non-secure Internet Protocol Routing (NIPR) Network and the Secure Internet Protocol
95 Routing (SIPR) Network. *Currently* the Army's NIPR AD environment consists of fifteen
96 (15) approved forests supporting approximately 300 sites and 950,000 users around the
97 world. The approved forests are: Space and Missile Defense Command (SMDC),
98 Continental United States (CONUS), Inspector General Network (IGNET), the Army
99 Reserves, Medical Command (MEDCOM), Military Entrance Processing Station
100 Command (MEPCOM), Accessions Command, Military Academy (EDU), Intelligence
101 and Security Command (INSCOM), National Guard, Corp of Engineers, Europe, Pacific,
102 Korea, and Southwest Asia. The Army's SIPR AD is similar to the NIPRNet except at a
103 much smaller scope due to smaller user population.

104 Of special note is the current reliance of email on Army Knowledge Online (AKO). All
105 Army personnel are required to have an AKO email address, and this is the default (or
106 universal) address that all personnel use. All email destined for Army mail servers
107 external to the users enclave flows through AKO (see Figure 1 below). The figure
108 demonstrates the flow of email from logical enclaves (CONUS, the Managed Service
109 Provider (MSP), or Europe) to various users. It does not necessarily indicate which
110 Active Directory (AD) forest someone logs into (despite the triangles), but rather which

111 logical email enclave a user gets service from. Any use of Exchange within the Army
 112 must take this fact into consideration when implementing user accounts. In addition,
 113 local email user addresses are linked to a single email address registered with AKO.
 114 Though this allows individuals in the Army to maintain one email username, it does not
 115 provide transparency when existing users move from one location to another.
 116 Usernames must be decoupled from the existing installations Exchange server and
 117 paired with the receiving installation's Exchange server.



1. Mail from CONUS users to user in MSP (or Europe*) routes through AKO
2. Mail from MSP (or Europe*) users to user in CONUS routes through AKO
3. Mail from one user to another user in their own forest stays in the forest
4. Mail from the Internet routes through AKO

118 * Europe is just an example of any other Army forest

119 **Figure 1. (U) Depiction Email Routing Flow (LTC Peter C Barclay, 2010)**

120 Today's joint operations require extensive collaboration across organizational
 121 boundaries and rapid deployment to world-wide locations. Currently, email users who
 122 must operate across organizational boundaries are hamstrung with multiple user access
 123 devices and/or hindered by reduced capabilities when interacting with non-
 124 organizational Army and DoD personnel. Deployed forces must carry extensive support
 125 equipment to temporary operating locations or lose connectivity with supporting
 126 networks for extended periods of time.

127 The initial effort of implementing Army enterprise email as a managed service is not
 128 intended to address every issue raised in this description of the current Army email
 129 environment.

130 **1.5 (U) SPIRAL 1 ARMY EMAIL ENTERPRISE SERVICES (EMCS)**

131 Army personnel will not experience any reduction in capability or service level from the
132 email service. They will be able to access email and a fully-populated DoD global
133 address list, and calendaring from any location (using client software or a web-browser).
134 Military members without access to their own thick client or desktop will be able to
135 manipulate email via a rich Exchange based web client with features such as drag-and-
136 drop, drop down buttons, pop-up windows (with editing), and tool bars. The email
137 service will provide support for mobile/wireless platforms such as RIM Blackberry or
138 Windows Mobile. The service will continue to support S/MIME for encrypting and
139 signing messages.

140 (U//FOUO) The EMCS will be operated by a managed service provider using Microsoft
141 Exchange 2010. They will provide a workable strategy and automated tools to lead in
142 the migration of users and mail based data from the current installation to the EMCS
143 location in an expedient and efficient manner with minimal direct touch labor assistance
144 from the local Network Enterprise Center. The MSP will comply with all relevant DoD
145 and Army policies, including DIACAP and DoD policy (DoD STD 5015.2) for retention
146 and archiving. The managed service provider will have a 24x7 Tier II service desk that
147 is electronically integrated with the Army's Tier I Enterprise Service Desk (ESD). Army
148 personnel will contact the ESD, and the ESD will elevate relevant email problems to the
149 Tier II service desk for resolution. Metrics that provide a clear view of IT systems
150 performance and customer quality of service will be provided that detail email
151 availability and enable an enterprise strategy for service level agreements (SLAs).

152 **1.6 (U) ACRONYMS, KEY TERMS, AND REFERENCES**

153 (U//FOUO) Acronyms and key terms used in this document are contained in Appendices
154 A and B. Required and related publications and prescribed and referenced forms are
155 listed in Appendix C.

156 **2 (U) SPIRAL 1 ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

157 **2.1 (U) ARMY CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER /G6**

158 (U//FOUO) The CIO/G-6 is responsible to the Secretary of the Army and to the Chief of
159 Staff of the Army for all Information Technology activities of the Department of the Army.
160 The CIO/G-6 acts as the system owner and proponent by validating operational and
161 functional requirements for IT services, providing initial lifecycle development and
162 sustainment through replacement costs of these services, as well as funding
163 deployment and operations of these services.

164 (U//FOUO) From a managed service provider perspective, CIO/G-6 activities include:

- 165 a. Provide Army policies.
- 166 b. Establish Army operating rules and guidelines.
- 167 c. Provide enterprise level resources (funds).
- 168 d. Control the Decision Point to conduct Spiral 2 of the EMCS initiative.

169 **2.2 (U) PROGRAM MANAGER ARMY KNOWLEDGE ON-LINE (PM-
170 AKO)**

171 (U//FOUO) PM-AKO is the product developer and integrator for the intended EMCS
172 acquisition. PM-AKO will work with CIO/G-6 and the 9th and 7th Signal Command to
173 consolidate operational and functional requirements to provide necessary capabilities
174 within the delivered service.

175 (U//FOUO) Within PM-AKO, the Product Manager for Area Processing Centers (PdM
176 APC) will:

- 177 a. Provide overall project oversight and responsibility for the migration process.
- 178 b. Develop the EMCS interface requirements.
- 179 c. Serve as the enterprise material developer for design and development of EMCS
180 capabilities.
- 181 d. Integrate future Global Network Enterprise Construct (GNEC) initiatives with
182 enterprise business systems including Army Knowledge Online, Windows Server
183 and Exchange migration, and others as appropriate.
- 184 e. Provide engineering support relative to GNEC messaging systems design and
185 deployment.
- 186 f. Establish and manages integration of the EMCS Global Address List and the
187 Joint Enterprise Directory Service (JEDS).
- 188 g. Implement interfaces for the GNEC environment.
- 189 h. Ensure all migration tools, software systems and scripts are approved (CoN,
190 ATO...etc).
- 191 i. Provide a list of credentialed individuals from the EMCS provider that will have
192 Top Level OU elevated privileges to support migration tasks.

- 193 j. Provide for the establishment and implementation of the Army Tier 1 Enterprise
194 Service Desk.

195 **2.3 (U) ENTERPRISE SERVICE DESK**

196 (U//FOUO) The Enterprise Service Desk allows for the widest window of coverage using
197 the most efficient level of staffing. It leverages the skills of customer-centric analysts to
198 log, categorize, prioritize, and in some cases resolve incidents; thus freeing the more
199 technically focused Tier II help desk from routine issues. Army business users also
200 benefit from having a "single point of contact" to report problems, ask questions, request
201 information, and provide feedback. The ESD will:

- 202 a. Ensure a representative is on site for the acceptance meeting conducted after
203 migration is complete. This individual will assist the local NEC staff with initial
204 calls to the ESD for email support.
205 b. Accept responsibility for Tier 1 Help Desk issues after installation migration is
206 complete.

207 **2.4 (U) 9TH ARMY SIGNAL COMMAND**

208 (U//FOUO) The 9th Signal Command (Army), also known as Network Enterprise
209 Technology Command (NETCOM) establishes the standards and configuration
210 management and is the technical Command and Control (C2) authority for the Army's
211 messaging system. NETCOM is responsible for implementing Army IT operational and
212 management policy as established by CIO/G-6. Consistent with these broad IT
213 responsibilities, NETCOM is the central manager for all enterprise messaging
214 operations. NETCOM manages and controls the system and service within operational
215 and functional requirements and reports the status of the system as necessary to
216 ensure nominal service levels are maintained across the enterprise.

217 (U//FOUO) NETCOM will:

- 218 a. Provide oversight over the execution of Managed Services and delivery for the
219 Enterprise.
220 b. Ensure that the Army's consolidated active directory is the authoritative source
221 for Army GAL information.
222 c. Ensure DoD enterprise naming conventions are followed.
223 d. Resource 7th Signal Command to execute Spiral 1 of EMCS.

224 **2.5 (U) ARMY GLOBAL NETWORK OPERATIONS AND SECURITY** 225 **CENTER (AGNOSC)**

226 (U//FOUO) The AGNOSC supports Army NETOPS with status reporting, situational
227 awareness, and operational support for the Army's portion of the Global Information
228 Grid (GIG). The AGNOSC also provides technical direction to, and obtains status from
229 the CONUS Network Operations and Security Center (CNOSCs) with regard to CONUS
230 based Enterprise services. (U//FOUO) The AGNOSC:

- 231 a. Identifies, tracks, and manages all security areas relative to Enterprise
232 messaging servers within all Army AD forests IAW current policies and
233 procedures.
- 234 b. Directs the CTNOSC implementation of security programs, procedures, policies,
235 and IAVA patches concerning interconnection to Spiral 1 EMCS
- 236 c. Notifies and directs remediation actions to appropriate organizations
- 237 d. Develops and publishes technical guidance, procedures, and standards such as
238 TECHCON Implementing Memorandums
- 239 e. Expands security monitoring and management supporting spiral 1 EMCS to Army
240 white pages
- 241 f. Provide operational oversight and management of theaters of operation and
242 delivery of services throughout the enterprise environment.
- 243 g. Establish NETOPs and execute oversight of managed services

244 **2.6 (U) 7TH SIGNAL COMMAND (THEATER)**

245 (U//FOUO) The Signal Command (Theater) (SC(T)) is responsible for operating,
246 managing, and defending the LWN within theater in accordance with the Army's Global
247 Network Enterprise Construct (GNEC). The SC(T) provides situational awareness/
248 Network Common Operational Picture (NETCOP), assigns restoration priorities,
249 directs/coordinates restoration activities, and ensures compliance with NetOps policy,
250 direction, and processes for all IT services in the theater to include managed services.
251 The SC(T)'s major mission components are life cycle management and operation of
252 theater LWN assets, command and control (C2) of theater NetOps, CND of the LWN,
253 and direct and general support to NECs and deployable units (e.g., Brigade Combat
254 Teams) stationed in the theater. The 7th Signal Command will:

- 255 a. Serve as the Army Signal Command (Theater) user proponent for the delivery of
256 enterprise services and provide C2 for the Network Operations and Security
257 Center during Spiral 1
- 258 b. Advise the Mail Service Provider of priorities of service. The priorities will be
259 consistent with the ARFORGEN model and Army priorities of work.
- 260 c. Ensure the on boarding NEC Director and Principal Staff understand the
261 procedures for migrating email accounts and follow on O&M responsibilities.
- 262 d. Ensure the on boarding NEC Director understands that security of the email
263 system will be ensured by the Mail Service Provider during the migration
264 process.

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267 **2.7 (U) CONUS THEATER NETWORK OPERATIONS AND SECURITY**
268 **CENTER (C-TNOSC)**

269 (U//FOUO) The C-TNOSC is responsible for providing the Theater Signal Commands
270 with status reporting, situational awareness, and operational support for their portion of
271 LandWarNet. For spiral 1 of the Army EMCS, the C-TNOSC will:

- 272 a. Execute NETOPs within the regional Domains.
- 273 b. Provide oversight of delivery of services from the Network Enterprise Centers
274 (NECs) within their regions.
- 275 c. Provide MSP with outage information that might affect their service.
- 276 d. Receive and distribute MSP outage information to the affected AOR.
- 277 e. Coordinate the execution of spillage reports from the MSP via secure channels
278 (SIPRNet).
- 279 f. Perform operation, management, and defense of the TCP/IP networks that
280 provide wide area network connectivity.
- 281 g. Manage, direct and/or coordinate all resolution of all incidents and
282 attendant restoration actions.
- 283 h. Provide situational awareness of the LandWarNet hosted applications to
284 include performance, availability, Computer Network Defense (CND), and
285 network perimeter security.
- 286 i. Execute a change management process to ensure the prompt and
287 efficient handling of all changes to the operational environment while
288 minimizing risk and impact to the delivery of service. Also, provide
289 configuration management capability to record, maintain, store and audit
290 changes to an asset, device, application, operating system, etc.
- 291 j. Direct and ensure backups, exercise of disaster recovery plans and
292 disaster recovery in accordance with the Continuity of Service Plans.
- 293 k. Provide near real time reports regarding the performance of the MSP and
294 the availability of the messaging service. Report on compliance within
295 SLA provisions and performance.

296 **2.8 (U) SIGNAL BRIGADES**

297 (U//FOUO) Signal Brigades operate, manage, and defend a portion of the Army's IT
298 services within the Theater. Brigades consist of multiple components to include:
299 Regional Operation Centers (ROCs), Network Operation Centers (NOCs), and Network
300 Enterprise Centers (NECs).

301 **2.9 (U) NETWORK ENTERPRISE CENTER (NEC)**

302 (U//FOUO) The Network Enterprise Center (NEC) is responsible for operation of the
303 installation information technology infrastructure and is the provider of services at the
304 installation. This includes situational reporting activities, planning and engineering,
305 enforcement of local NetOps and IA policies, and Service Request support for
306 installation tenants.

307 (U//FOUO) Prior to migration of user accounts, the NECs will:

- 308 a. Conduct C2 to assist in the provider migration effort.
- 309 b. Serve as a liaison between the customer support base and the on-site contact
- 310 team.
- 311 c. Provide a dedicated primary point of contact for the MSP during migration.
- 312 d. Grant permissions to MSP and AD User Objects so the MSP can perform
- 313 migration actions.

314 (U//FOUO) Upon completion of provider migration actions, the NECs will:

- 315 a. In conjunction with the service provider and TNOSC, coordinate and conduct Tier
- 316 II touch labor support.
- 317 b. Provide support for client configuration to support connectivity to the MSP
- 318 service.
- 319 c. Provide the MSP with outage information that might affect their service.
- 320 d. Receive and distribute MSP outage information to the installation users.
- 321 e. Receive and assist in spillage reporting and event handling with the MSP via
- 322 secure channels (SIPRNet).
- 323 f. Ensure network throughput and capacity is sufficient to support remote mail
- 324 capability.

325 **2.10(U) INFORMATION MANAGEMENT OFFICER (IMO)**

326 (U//FOUO) The IMO is the office/individual who reports to a commander/director/chief
327 for coordination service. It includes management oversight, advice, planning, and
328 funding coordination of all IM/IT requirements (business and mission) for their
329 organization. The IMO assists the commander/director/chief in effectively managing the
330 organization's IM/IT processes and resources that enable the organization's business
331 and mission processes(U//FOUO) Information Management Officers will:

- 332 a. Serve as the primary interface between the NEC and the supported organization.
- 333 b. Serve as the organization interface to the NEC for troubleshooting of IT
- 334 equipment, software or process failures.

335 **2.11 (U) EMAIL MANAGED SERVICE PROVIDER (MSP)**

336 (U//FOUO) The MSP is responsible for:

- 337 a. Configuration and operation of the email service using MS Exchange 2010
- 338 in a manner that achieves or exceeds defined service levels.
- 339 b. Collaborate with TNOSC, ESD, and NEC in troubleshooting and
- 340 developing solutions for email incidents.
- 341 c. Monitoring the operating status of production systems and system logs.
- 342 d. Ensuring compliance with DOD and Army security policies to include
- 343 Security Technical Implementation Guides (STIG), Information Assurance

- 344 Vulnerability Management (includes IAVA reporting to the TNOSC) and
345 computing facility security certification and accreditation.
- 346 e. Performing disaster recovery per continuity of service plan.
 - 347 f. A Tier II Service Desk for resolution of email problems.
 - 348 g. Maintaining a “self help” website for common email problems. The website can
349 be integrated into the ESD Tier-0 (Knowledge Base) if required.
 - 350 h. Continually providing the C-TNOSC and ESD with current server and connection
351 status information.
 - 352 i. Execution of spillage recovery actions IAW proper policy under the direction of
353 the C-TNOSC.
 - 354 j. Providing an on-site technical representative during migration to support the
355 migration process.
 - 356 k. Providing specific guidance on how to interact with the MSP after migration is
357 complete. This can be a “smart book,” technical guide, procedures book, etc. but
358 must contain the information required for the NEC to connect to the mail servers,
359 decommission/create/request user email accounts, etc.
 - 360 l. Executing a process to recover/remedy accounts that fail to migrate.
 - 361 m. Begin cutover process only on an organization that has ESD deployed at their
362 site.
 - 363 n. Not departing the migration site until all required accounts have been
364 successfully migrated to the service providers email servers.
 - 365 o. As part of the design plan, creating a DRAFT CONOPS for O&M of the email
366 system for review by stakeholders. The DRAFT O&M CONOPS will detail how
367 the NECs will interface with the ESD/MSP operations and maintenance of the
368 email system. The CONOPS will address the responsibilities and actions of all
369 stakeholders in the O&M of the email system.

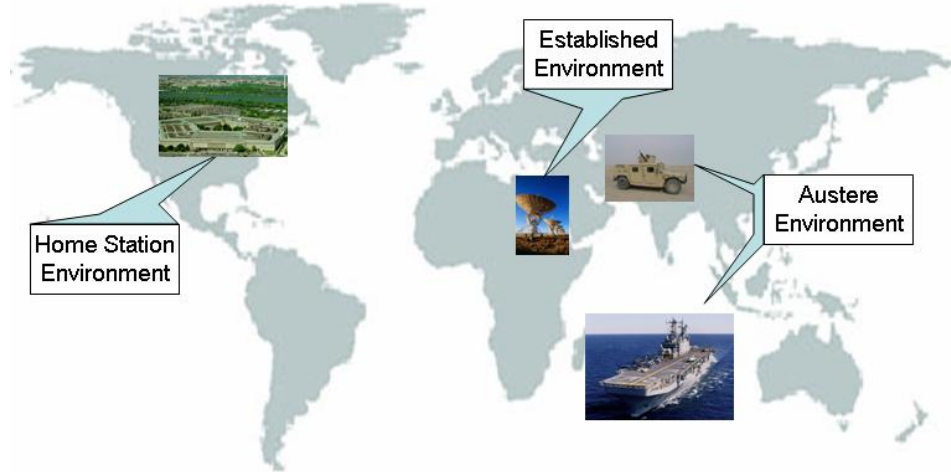
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371 (U//FOUO) NOTE: This is not designed to be an all encompassing list of actions
372 provided by the MSP. Detailed information is provided in the Performance Work
373 Statement.

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375 **3 (U) CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS**

376 **3.1 (U) OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENTS**

377 (U//FOUO) The ultimate end state of the Army EMCS (Figure 1) will support users
 378 located at home station, established, and austere operational environments. Spiral 1
 379 capabilities requirements are focused at supporting approximately 230k users in a
 380 CONUS home station based operational environment.



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382 **Figure 2. (U) Depiction of Operational Environments**

383 **3.1.1 (U) HOME STATION OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENT**

384 The home station operational environment encompasses users that operate from
 385 continental United States (CONUS) locations and strategic locations outside the
 386 continental United States (OCONUS) such as U.S. installations in Europe, Korea, and
 387 Japan. These CONUS and OCONUS locations have well-established, robust
 388 infrastructures – military forts, bases, camps, and stations, as well as other fixed
 389 national defense and intelligence facilities, such as the Pentagon.

390 **3.1.2 (U) ESTABLISHED (SEMI-PERMANENT) OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENT**

391 The established operational environment encompasses users that operate from fixed
 392 and established operational environments outside the U.S., such as Kuwait or Bahrain.
 393 The infrastructure at these locations is constrained by limitations of the local site and
 394 hosting country, as well as geographical separation from CONUS operations, but
 395 normally consists of permanent infrastructure and connectivity.

396 **3.1.3 (U) AUSTERE OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENT**

397 The austere operational environment encompasses users that operate from forward
398 deployed locations, such as battle groups, forward operating bases, and other
399 temporary locations in hostile areas (e.g., Iraq and Afghanistan), in response to events
400 around the world. The deployed forces carry the required supporting infrastructure to all
401 operating locations to accomplish required missions. It is imperative that forward
402 deployed forces have the ability to operate for extended periods of time, independent of
403 external infrastructure capabilities, and without reach-back to sustaining base support.
404 These forces also need the ability to dynamically reconfigure assets to optimize mission
405 operations such as shutting down non-essential communication.

406 NOTE: The Operational Environment paragraph and throughout this document, details
407 the desired end-state of a consolidated email system. In this way, leaders working on
408 Spiral 1 understand the Army's vision for the future. It in no way guarantees or is meant
409 to imply this will be the final end-state.

410 **3.2 (U) USERS**

411 Users of the EMCS have full enterprise email capabilities. These users depend on
412 email to perform their daily mission functions. Typically, users are active military (or
413 reservists activated for duty/deployment), civilian employees, and designated support
414 contractors that support U.S. Army mission operations from long-term duty locations in
415 the home station environment. When working from their office desktop (or using a
416 portable computer with a VPN connection), users have the option to access the Army
417 EMCS using either a thick client application (e.g., Outlook or Entourage) or directly,
418 using a web-browser (e.g., Internet Explorer, Firefox, or Safari). In addition, these users
419 can access Army EMCS using a wireless handheld device (e.g., Blackberry or Windows
420 Mobile).

421 **3.3 (U) LEVEL OF SERVICE**

422 Although the Army desires varying levels of service, especially responsiveness for
423 senior personnel, Spiral 1 may only have a single level of service with an ability of the
424 service desk to escalate issues for general officers and senior executive service
425 personnel.

426 **3.4 (U) MIGRATION OF USERS TO EMCS**

427 **3.4.1 (U) CONDITIONS**

428 Army EMCS Spiral 1 provider will be responsible for the migration plan of users from
429 existing Army exchange servers to the EMCS servers.

430 Depending on the migration plan, the Migration Team will be granted OU Admin rights
431 for each installation requiring migration but will not receive Forest or Domain admin
432 privileges.

433 There will be windows when the users/machines are available at the selected sites. Up
434 to 24hrs in advance a standard site migration can be terminated for emergency
435 reasons.

436 While the majority of the migrated clients will exist on the agreed to support baseline
437 EMCS, the Migration Team will be prepared to deal with exceptions.

438 Migration reporting and help desk issues will not fall on or use the ESD. The EMCS
439 provider will provide direct help desk for migration issues.

440 The 7th SC (T) will assist in the establishment of a single phone number for use by the
441 Migration Team for onsite needs.

442 The Migration Team shall establish procedures for problem accounts and all lessons
443 learned shall be incorporated into a knowledge base for use as the migration continues
444 from site to site.

445 The Migration Team shall develop a plan for reverse migration should the need arise.

446 **3.4.2 (U) SITE ACTIVITIES CONCEPTS TO BE PERFORMED BY THE ARMY**

447 (U//FOUO) A Draft Warning Order will be issued to the Signal BDEs and the C-TNOSC
448 at the release of the RFP. This WARNORD will identify the pilot sites and provide 14
449 days for the sites to answer the data call included in the Site Notification. The below
450 steps are expected to be repeated until all sites have migrated. Stakeholders Meetings
451 and AAR will only be conducted as necessary after the initial sites have migrated. It is
452 expected that the overall migration timeline will decrease from site notification to site
453 completion as the migration matures.

454 **3.4.2.1 (U) PILOT SITE AND FOLLOW ON SITES**

455 **3.4.2.2 (U) STEP 1 - SITE NOTIFICATION (TO BE RELEASED WITH THE DRAFT** 456 **MIGRATION PLAN)**

457 The Army will issue a site notification that outlines and includes the following items:

- 458 1. Data Call (all items of information necessary for provider to understand the
459 scope of the effort at the site, user break down by Tiers for migration (Tier
460 1 (Generals/SES/VIPs) and Standard users). The PILOT NEC will be
461 given 30 days to respond to the data call. All other site NECs will be given
462 14 days to respond.
- 463 2. Initial Project Timeline.
- 464 3. POC list for the Migration Team, EMCS Provider and PdM APC.
465 personnel.
- 466 4. Equipment list and software being delivered to the site.

- 467 5. On site resources required by the PdM APC the EMCS Provider and the
468 Migration Team (office space, network drops, etc.).

469 **3.4.2.3 (U) STEP 2 - STAKE HOLDER MEETING (5 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF**
470 **DATA CALL INFORMATION FROM PILOT SITE)**

- 471 1. Members include: EMCS provider, PM AKO, 7th SC (T), Pilot Site Key
472 Stakeholders, BDE email support teams and Migration Team.
473 2. The purpose of the meeting is to resolve any information gaps, resource
474 issues, and technical issues. A finalized timeline including user availability
475 will be developed. Finalized set of procedures shall also be developed.

476 **3.4.2.4 (U) STEP 3 - SITE SPECIFIC MIGRATION PLAN**

477 The Migration Team publishes the site migration plan 30 days prior to the start of the
478 pilot site migration. The plan will include:

- 479 1. The approved and tested tools/scripts to support migration.
480 2. The migration schedule for standard users.
481 3. The migration schedule for Tier 1 users.
482 4. Required TTPs, User Guides and training material.
483 5. Last minute changes.
484 6. Required Government resources.
485 7. Specific required subject matter expertise (e.g. Tumbleweed, DoD
486 PKI...etc).

487 **3.4.2.5 (U) STEP 4 - MATERIAL FIELDING BRIEF/MEETING (7 DAYS PRIOR TO**
488 **SITE MIGRATION START)**

489 This meeting serves as the final checkpoint before the Migration Team's travel to the
490 site. The 7th SC (T), BDEs and NEC will confirm that the organization is on track for the
491 migration and all tasks and preparations have been completed in accordance with the
492 site-specific migration plan. The NEC will provide the PdM APC and the Migration
493 Team with a dedicated phone number for their use and the building number and
494 location of required resources. The NEC will map users to the timeline slots provided
495 by the site-specific migration plan.

496 **3.4.2.6 (U) STEP 5 - MIGRATION TEAM ARRIVES AND BEGINS MIGRATION**

497 **3.4.2.7 (U) STEP 6 - PAUSE AT THE 500 ACCOUNT MIGRATION POINT**

498 After the first 500 user accounts are migrated at each site there will be a pause and
499 customer feedback will be gathered by at least 10% of the migrated users. Once the
500 feedback is collected and organized, a meeting between the 9th SC (A), 7th SC (T),
501 BDE, NEC, PdM APC, and the Migration Team will occur to assess the data. The
502 decision to continue migration will be made if the migration is viewed as successful. If
503 the migration of the 500 users is not successful, the PdM APC will provide guidance as
504 to a way ahead.

505 **3.4.2.8 (U) STEP 7 CONTINUE MIGRATION**

506 During migration the following reports shall be provided to the PM, 7th SC (T) and the
507 NEC.

- 508 a. Planned versus Execution of migration
- 509 b. Trend analysis of issues
- 510 c. User created issues (top 5 items)
- 511 d. NEC created issues (top 5 items)
- 512 e. Provider created issues (top 5 items)
- 513 f. Unknown issues (top 5 items)

514 The trend data will provide real time feedback and recommendations for changes to the
515 migration guide, future plans and the ESD call trees used to assist with the O&M tasks.

516 **3.4.2.9 (U) STEP 8 MIGRATION COMPLETION**

517 The 7th SC (T) as described in the Material Fielding regulations shall conduct a formal
518 acceptance. The provider will be required to remove all tools or scripts used for the
519 migration. 7thSC (T) reserves the right to verify that no trace is left. If applicable, 7th SC
520 (T) will issue guidance on the disposition of the existing exchanges servers. The
521 CTNOSC will provide input to the acceptance decision based on the
522 reporting/performance of the provider with respect to migration and service to the users
523 migrated.

524 **3.4.2.10 (U) PILOT AAR**

525 Upon completion of the PILOT site, an AAR will be conducted with all key stakeholders.
526 All issues and process changes will be discussed and a final timeline for future
527 migrations shall be presented and agreed to. A back brief will be provided to 9th SC and
528 the CIO/G6 Senior leadership.

529 **3.5 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF EES**

530 **3.5.1 (U) CONOPS**

531 A DRAFT CONOPS for O&M will be published by the provider as part of the design
532 plan. The DRAFT CONOPS will be reviewed by 7th Signal Command (T) and
533 associated Stakeholders for acceptance into the final plan for delivery of additional
534 services.

535 **3.5.2 (U) LEVEL OF SERVICE**

536 Army EMCS Spiral 1 shall function as a MAC II capable system. (U) Upgrades of
537 Storage

538 The monitoring of the mail box storage capability is reported in accordance with the
539 performance management plan and SLA established for the program. It is expected

540 that communications between the EMCS provider and the CTNOSC will facilitate
541 proactive management of the EMCS for its users. The elevation of the average mailbox
542 size storage limit is tightly controlled by the 7th SC (T) and the PM AKO for EMCS.

543 **3.5.3 (U) ENTERPRISE SERVICE DESK**

544 (U//FOUO) A centralized Army Enterprise Service Desk (ESD) provides the first level of
545 service to all enterprise email users across the Army community to ensure quality
546 service delivery to all Army users, at all levels, and across all operational environments.
547 The ESD monitors the system and provides the supported user base with the status of
548 email services:

- 549 • The focal point for enterprise email operations and decisions involving service and
550 restoration priorities and the first tier of Army customer support.
- 551 • Support on a 24 x 7 basis where all users are able to contact the ESD via a single
552 phone number, a web form, live chat, or email to report all problems or inquiries
553 related to the service.
- 554 • A user “self-help” web site.
- 555 • A disciplined process to receive customer contacts, catalog all requests in a
556 centralized database, and resolve issues as appropriate.
- 557 • A mechanism to elevate unresolved trouble calls to the system administration
558 response team.

559 The ESD provides for common policies, tools, and training related to email and
560 enhances the ability to comply with security auditing and reporting requirements. A
561 centralized ESD provides for a dramatic reduction in the number of service desk
562 personnel distributed around the globe. Where a physical presence is required
563 (primarily hardware related and life-cycle maintenance) local NECs perform component
564 replacement and on-site support to respond to service requests and system problems
565 that cannot be resolved remotely by the ESD center.

566 The current ticketing system for the ESD is ITSM/Remedy and CA. The EMCS
567 provider should use tools to minimize or eliminate any swivel chair operations to allow
568 for trouble ticket tracking and resolution and archiving and seamless communications
569 between the ESD and the EMCS provider. The EMCS will have the tools required to
570 integrate into the ESD objective ticketing system.

571 The EMCS shall provide a Tier 2 service desk in order to solve mail related issues that
572 are above the ESDs capabilities. It is desirable for the EMCS Provider to coordinate
573 with the ESD and provide troubleshooting guides to support maximum possible first call
574 resolution by the ESD. Also the EMCS Provider will have web based troubleshooting
575 guides or tools available to the users, IMOs at the organizations and NECs for locations
576 migrated to the EMCS.

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578 **3.6 (U) ENTERPRISE EMAIL ADMINISTRATION**

579 **3.6.1 (U) ACCOUNT PROVISIONING/DE-PROVISIONING**

580 The Army EMCS uses the enterprise identity management service and the DoD
581 Enterprise Username. The Army EMCS GAL is not the authoritative source for
582 attributes in the enterprise email directory. The primary method of provisioning and de-
583 provisioning an enterprise email account is automated and is initiated by Army
584 processes. The secondary method is manual provisioning and de-provisioning of the
585 email account by an enterprise administrator. In the case of manual provisioning and
586 de-provisioning (such as a group mailboxes) the "user" is vetted by a standard process.

587 Military members and Army Civilian member are provisioned with an account when
588 required by their position.

589 **3.6.2 (U) CONTRACT PERSONNEL**

590 Personnel employed by the Army under contract will be provisioned with an account
591 upon the start of work under an Army contract (that requires email). Contract personnel
592 will retain their account only for the duration of their contract.

593 **3.6.3 (U) GROUP/ROLE BASED MAILBOXES**

594 The Army EMCS provides mailboxes with names that are based on an organizational
595 group and mailboxes that are based on a role. For example, a particular command may
596 want an organizational (or group) mailbox which several people have permission to read
597 and action the emails that arrive in that mailbox. There are also operational instances
598 where a particular role or "position" must have a mailbox which several people must be
599 able to both read and send as in order to accomplish the mission. An example of this is
600 a battle captain or watch officer.

601 The request and approval process for these mailboxes will be defined by the CIO/G-6
602 and executed IAW procedures to be released in a future Technical Authority
603 Implementation Memorandum. The Army Operations Oversight Board will create an
604 approval board (the Army Email Change Management Approval Board) for group and
605 resource mailbox requests. Consideration from an organizational operations (S3/G3)
606 element for support and service will define an organizational requirement.
607 Determination concerning whether this is a baseline service is still being researched
608 and will be documented in a process defined by the CIO/G-6 and executed IAW
609 procedures to be released in a future Technical Authority Implementation Memorandum.

610 **3.6.4 (U) RESOURCE MAILBOXES**

611 Requests for creation of a resource mailbox (e.g. conference room calendar or shared
612 vehicle calendar) will be approved by the first O-6 in the chain of command, and will

613 then flow through the Enterprise Service Desk to the Email Service Desk for
614 implementation. Requests for creation of a distribution list must identify the individual(s)
615 who will be responsible for managing that resource mailbox (i.e. receiving/responding to
616 requests for the resource).

617 **3.6.5 (U) DISTRIBUTION LISTS**

618 Requests for creation of a distribution list will be approved by the first O-6 in the
619 chain of command, and will then flow through the Enterprise Service Desk to the
620 Email Service Desk for implementation. Requests for creation of a distribution
621 list must identify the individual(s) who will be responsible for managing that
622 distribution list (i.e. adding/removing membership in the list).

623 **3.6.6 (U) NAMING AND ADDRESSING**

624 **3.6.6.1 (U) MAILBOXES WITHIN THE ENTERPRISE SYSTEM**

625 The Army EMCS uses an underlying email domain name that is applicable to all users
626 (e.g. @mail.army.mil) however each of the military services uses an aliased email
627 domain name for their service (e.g. @us.army.mil, @navy.mil, etc) mailboxes in
628 deployed organizations.

629 The Army EMCS will comply with the provisions listed in ALARACT 021-2010 with
630 regard to naming conventions and mailboxes.

631 An intent of enterprise email is to provide a single email address for soldiers, no matter
632 where they are, whether deployed or not. The enterprise email system will be
633 configured to forward mail to tactical Exchange servers for those users who are getting
634 service from a tactical unit's Exchange server. In order to retain the appearance of a
635 single email, the Exchange servers of deployed and tactical forces must be properly
636 configured. Specific configuration details will be defined by the CIO/G-6 and executed
637 IAW procedures to be released in a future Technical Authority Implementation
638 Memorandum.

639 **3.6.7 (U) SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION**

640 The Army EMCS employs a centralized system administration function that operates
641 twenty-four hours per day, seven days a week. The System Administration function
642 spans both the enterprise data center network and the distributed nodes at the tactical
643 edge. The use of a single email service:

- 644 • Greatly reduces diverse breadth of knowledge required for effective email system
645 administration relative to that required to sustain multiple disparate organizational
646 email systems.
- 647 • Allows for increased depth of expertise through enterprise-wide focused training
648 and certification programs.

- 649 • Significantly reduces the number of system administrators required to support the
650 Army enterprise.

651 While centralized enterprise email system administration has many advantages, it
652 presents some continuity of operations challenges. The following enterprise email
653 actions mitigate continuity of operations risks:

- 654 • Establish safeguards to protect from inadvertent and malicious damage;
- 655 • Establish a rigorous vetting process to select system administrators;
- 656 • All email administrator accounts will be configured/provisioned with a smart card,
657 and accessed only using smart card authentication.
- 658 • Require system administrators to meet increased training and certification levels;
- 659 • Allocate roles and functions to ensure redundancy, i.e., "second set of eyes" for
660 critical operations;
- 661 • Increase restricted access and limit authorizations – no single system administrator
662 has total access or is authorized to perform all functions; and
- 663 • Enhance monitoring and recording of system administration actions.

664 **3.6.8 (U) NETOPs Oversight AND SITUATIONAL AWARENESS**

665 Currently, the Army's ITSM is BMC ITSM (Remedy 7.6) and CA Unicenter, used by the
666 AGNOSC and TNOSCs. The Enterprise Email Managed Service Provider is
667 encouraged to identify, and eventually implement, an optimum approach for
668 interoperation between their ITSM and the Army's ITSM. This will allow the ESD to
669 seamlessly interface with the email service provider. As stated in 3.5.8, the EMCS
670 provider should use tools to minimize or eliminate any swivel chair operations to allow
671 for trouble ticket tracking and resolution, and archiving and seamless communications
672 between the ESD and the EMCS provider.

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674 **3.6.9 (U) INDIVIDUAL TRANSFER/DEPLOYMENT**

675 The Army EMCS has administrative tools that enable user mailboxes to easily and
676 quickly move to accommodate user transfers and deployments. An individual transfer
677 and/or deployment is a simple process whereby a user's email moves from an email
678 server in one location to another email server in a different location (i.e. different data
679 center) that is more efficient for network access because the user has physically
680 relocated. This mailbox move is accomplished by central system administrators and is
681 invisible to the average user. The Enterprise Email Managed Service Provider will
682 provide a method in which user email data stores can be migrated/moved between
683 forests or individual enclaves as necessary.

684 **3.6.10 (U) ORGANIZATIONAL DEPLOYMENT**

685 In the same fashion as individual transfers, the Army EMCS has administrative tools
686 that enable the transfer (and pre-positioning) of groups of user mailboxes to easily and
687 quickly move to accommodate organizational deployments. When a remote node is
688 required (for the organization), mailbox information must be copied/pre-positioned onto
689 the remote node to minimize WAN bandwidth consumption upon re-connection and
690 synchronization. When an organization is deploying and requires the stand up of their
691 own remote node with copied/pre-positioned mailbox information, the 7th Signal
692 Command will work with the MSP (and the PdM APC) to coordinate the transfer of data.

693 **3.7 (U) ARCHITECTURE**

694 (U//FOUO) The architecture for the ultimate end state Army EMCS (Figure 2) includes
695 an enterprise data center network, Wide Area Network (WAN), and distributed nodes
696 that extend enterprise email to the tactical edge. The architecture must provide email
697 service for all types of users across all operational environments. The architecture is
698 configured to link the sustaining base to the tactical edge, and optimized for conducting
699 joint and interagency operations. Data centers work as a synchronized enterprise email
700 capability to optimize user responsiveness. As mentioned above, Spiral 1 is expected
701 to support only CONUS based users.

702 **3.7.1 (U) EMAIL PROCESSING NODES**

703 (U//FOUO) In the ultimate end state of Army enterprise email, there will be four types of
704 email processing nodes. However, Spiral 1 only consists of enterprise processing nodes
705 and correct configuration to support forwarding to tactical processing nodes. It is
706 expected there will be two enterprise processing nodes located in CONUS. The
707 managed service provider is not responsible for any operation of email in tactical
708 processing nodes; however they will be responsible for ensuring that the managed
709 service is correctly configured to allow the forwarding of email for users in those nodes.

710 **3.7.1.1 (U) ENTERPRISE PROCESSING NODES**

711 (U//FOUO) Enterprise Processing Nodes are data centers, located either in Defense
712 Enterprise Computing Centers ((DECCs) or in commercial facilities that meet DoD
713 security requirements and are services by an Army Top Level Architecture (TLA) stack.

714 **3.7.1.2 (U) INSTALLATION PROCESSING NODES**

715 (U//FOUO) Installation Processing Nodes (IPNs) are operated in Army data processing
716 centers and are logical extensions of the Area Processing Centers. These are located
717 on large bases and exist to minimize WAN traffic. IPNs are not part of the Spiral 1.

718 **3.7.1.3 (U) REMOTE INSTALLATION PROCESSING NODES**

719 (U//FOUO) Remote IPNs are also operated in Army data processing centers, but are
720 located on remote bases that have limited connectivity. Remote IPNs exist to minimize
721 the impact of the limited connectivity by reducing WAN traffic. Remote IPNs are not a
722 part of Spiral 1.

723 **3.7.2 (U) TACTICAL PROCESSING NODES (DISTRIBUTED NODES AT TACTICAL**
724 **EDGE)**

725 Enterprise email users in the austere operational environment at the tactical edge must
726 be equipped to continue their mission functions when disconnected from the WAN.
727 .Tactical Processing Nodes are operated by Brigade Combat Teams (BCTs), other
728 Army brigades, or higher level Army organizations for the purposes of retaining local
729 functionality, and the nodes move with the brigade from training to deployment and
730 back. Local authentication and directory services will be used when a distributed node
731 is operating in disconnected mode. Each tactical processing node has a local email
732 server that:

- 733 • Operates in “stand-alone” mode when disconnected from the WAN.
- 734 • Preserves full enterprise email functionality among tactical edge users at
735 disconnected nodes.

736 When deployed, tactical edge user mailboxes move to the tactical processing node
737 servers supporting the deployed users. The Army EMCS will be configured to allow
738 users to forward email to the deployed node so that there is no need to change the
739 primary email addresses of deployed users.

740 **3.7.3 (U) ACCESS METHODS**

741 **3.7.3.1 (U) THICK CLIENT METHOD**

742 Users can access the Army EMCS using a thick client application (Outlook 2007 or
743 newer, or Entourage) on their desktop. This access method enables users to
744 experience all available functionality and operate in cached mode so they can still
745 access email and calendars locally when disconnected from the WAN.

746 **3.7.3.2 (U) WEB CLIENT METHOD**

747 Users can access the Army EMCS using a web browser (e.g., Internet Explorer, Firefox,
748 Safari) when connected to the appropriate network (NIPRNet or SIPRNet).

749 **3.7.3.3 (U) WIRELESS HANDHELD DEVICE METHOD**

750 Users can access the Army EMCS using Army issued/approved wireless handheld
751 devices (e.g., Blackberry, Windows Mobile). Wireless access is more limited than the

752 web client. Since there are two main handheld devices – one operating in a push
753 delivery method and the other operating in a pull method – offline access is determined
754 by the delivery method as well as the type of device used. Wireless handhelds must
755 have the capability to sign and encrypt/decrypt email messages.

756 **3.8 (U) INTERDEPENDENCE**

757 The Army EMCS relies on DoD and interagency capabilities to maximize
758 complementary and reinforcing effects while, at the same time, minimizing
759 vulnerabilities. Key enablers for the Army EMCS are identity management (including
760 Public Key Infrastructure (PKI)) and security services, authoritative directory services,
761 and the Global Information Grid (GIG).

762 **3.9 (U) ENTERPRISE EMAIL SERVICE**

763 The Army EMCS supports the Army enterprise by enabling the exchange of information
764 required to keep commanders and leaders informed worldwide and achieve the
765 information advantage. It is an important medium used to exchange information among
766 those supporting and executing the U.S. Defense missions. The Army EMCS enables
767 the following key operational capabilities:

- 768 • Discovery – users can use enterprise directory services to easily discover the
769 contact information for anyone in the Army enterprise.
- 770 • Ubiquitous Access – users have the ability to access their enterprise email from
771 any terminal attached to the DoD network in any operational environment without
772 loss of features or service level (using PKI certificate authentication); and from their
773 Army laptop/wireless handheld device when traveling.
- 774 • Stable Contact Information – user contact information is available and accurate so
775 that users can quickly and easily contact others that have information or
776 knowledge required to solve a problem.

777 **3.9.1 (U) MESSAGE GENERATION, EXCHANGE, STORAGE, AND SEARCH**

778 The Army EMCS provides standard email functionality to include sending, receiving,
779 storing, and archiving messages to ensure compliance with an enterprise
780 document/record management system; transporting multi-media file attachments and
781 rich text; accessing contact information for all Army users regardless of location; and
782 performing full text search of email messages and attachments. The Army EMCS
783 requirements are specified in the Army Enterprise Email Requirements Specification
784 Spiral 1, Version 2.0, dated 7 December 2009.

785 **3.9.2 (U) ARMY GLOBAL ADDRESS LIST**

786 The Army EMCS provides a global address list (GAL) that contains all Army non-
787 sensitive personnel and shared resources. The GAL must use standard, consistent

788 metadata for naming conventions, be easy to use, and support distribution lists.
789 Specific GAL requirements are specified in the Army Enterprise Email Specification
790 Spiral 1. The managed service provider takes authoritative data from the Army's AD
791 forests (via EDS-Lite) and provides it to the GAL.

792 **3.9.3 (U) GLOBAL CALENDARING**

793 The Army EMCS provides calendaring capabilities to include enterprise-wide sharing of
794 individual, organization, and resource calendars. Specific global calendaring
795 requirements are identified in the Army Enterprise Email Requirements Specification for
796 Spiral 1. When the Army migrates to Exchange 2010, the MSP will federate its
797 Exchange with the Army to allow cross-forest visibility of calendars.

798 **3.9.4 (U) TASK MANAGEMENT**

799 The Army EMCS provides task management capabilities to include creating, editing,
800 deleting, sorting, and grouping tasks, as well as displaying task deadlines within the
801 calendar. Specific task management requirements are identified in the Army DoD
802 Enterprise Email Requirements Specification for Spiral 1.

803 **3.9.5 (U) SECURITY FEATURES**

804 The Army EMCS provides security capabilities to include the ability to sign and encrypt
805 messages and attachments; perform email classification markings in accordance with
806 DoD security policies; and filter email transmissions. Specific security requirements are
807 specified in the Army Enterprise Email Requirements Specification for Spiral 1.

808 **3.9.6 (U) SECURITY / MISSION ASSURANCE**

809 The Army EMCS is envisioned to be an essential U.S. National, Defense, and
810 Intelligence asynchronous communication capability. Therefore, it is imperative that no
811 potential adversary is capable of disabling the Army EMCS or exploiting the service in
812 order to deceive. The Army enterprise email architecture includes distributed data
813 centers that are configured with no single point of failure or vulnerability – human,
814 physical, network, or technology. Robust continuity of operations plans (COOP) and
815 disaster recovery plans are in place. The Army EMCS is configured to preclude any
816 potential adversary from intruding on national Army email communications or inflicting
817 any harm by Army EMCS exploitation. Army EMCS transmissions and data at rest are
818 secure and protected against any unauthorized access.

819 **3.9.6.1 (U) POLICY AND GPO IMPLEMENTATION**

820 The Army sees value in retaining the ability to implement policy and GPOs on its
821 schedule however, the Army also understands the need to implement controls on
822 policy implementation. The EMCS and the government will develop a “GPO
823 implementation schedule”, based on geographical time, in order to implement
824 GPOs within 24 hours of receipt, but to implement those only during the times

825 that will have the least operational impact, unless the government directs
826 immediate implementation due to a severe security risk. Most policies, such as
827 the requirement to edit using plain text format and a policy to enforce editing in
828 plain text only, will be determined by the AGNOSC.

829 **3.9.6.2 (U) FILTERING AND IRONPORTS**

830 The Army will operate Ironport devices at the routing hubs in order to ensure
831 consistent filtering across the CONUS, and provide anti-spam services for email
832 into and out of CONUS Exchange. The filtering rule sets will be routinely
833 provided by the AGNOSC. Changes to the filtering rule sets will be approved by
834 the AGNOSC IAW Technical Authority Implementation Memorandum TA 2006-
835 003, 15 Sept 2009.

836 **3.9.6.3 (U) MAIL RELAYS AND ROUTING HUBS**

837 Mail relays and routing hubs will be operated by the Army. All email inbound
838 email will traverse Exchange Routing Hubs, all outgoing email from the
839 enterprise email servers will traverse the Routing Hubs.

840 **3.9.6.4 (U) DNS**

841 The Army CONUS TNOSC will manage the DNS records for the enterprise email
842 system. The managed service provider will coordinate with the CTNOSC for any
843 changes as they are required.
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845 **3.9.7 (U) GOVERNANCE**

846 Army governance structure is employed for enterprise email and other enterprise
847 information services. Consistent with DoD and IC policy, this governance structure
848 consists of a governance board whose membership includes senior leadership from
849 Office of the Secretary of Defense, Director of National Intelligence, IC Agencies, the
850 Military Departments, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Commanders of the
851 Combatant Commands, and Defense Agencies (hereafter referred to collectively as the
852 "DoD Components"). Consumers of enterprise services are represented in the
853 governance structure.

854 The Army governance structure addresses DoD enterprise email requirements,
855 architecture, services determinations, and service level agreements in coordination with
856 the Executive Agent (EA) for the Army EMCS. The EA is established to execute Army
857 EMCS day-to-day operations with oversight by the Army enterprise service governance
858 structure, consistent with other Army enterprise information services. The EA
859 addresses unresolved issues with the Army EMCS governance board.

860 The governance structure is supported by the DoD Rate Management Council (RMC),
861 which identifies the fair method of cost sharing by determining the cost per user based

862 on the level of service and type of access. For example, guest users are essentially
863 “web” users and do not have the entire capability of standard users, so per seat cost is
864 adjusted appropriately. Additionally, some organizations have many remote nodes and
865 the administration burden (training, operations, and life cycle replacement) for those
866 nodes adds a greater cost, which factors into the final rates determined by the DoD
867 RMC.

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870 **4 (U) SUMMARY**

871 The current environment has inherent deficiencies that can be corrected by
872 implementing enterprise-wide information services. Implementing an enterprise email
873 service with over 5 million users extending across the DoD enterprise from the
874 sustaining base to the tactical edge is a massive undertaking. Executive leadership is
875 committed to the challenge and has provided direction to move forward with Spiral 1 of
876 the implementation of an enterprise email service. Implementation involves an
877 aggressive timeline. The Spiral 1 implementation will be closely followed by Army
878 leadership and will assist in making a decision for an expanded implantation of EMCS.
879 The CONOPS described in this document is needed to guide the consolidation of the
880 many current email systems into a single enterprise email service, that when
881 implemented, will deliver high mission value. In summary, Army EMCS:

- 882 ▪ Improves mission effectiveness by providing seamless messaging capabilities
883 built upon common, standard, and unified enterprise services.
- 884 ▪ Improves security by eliminating the vulnerability among the many disparate
885 domain mail systems.
- 886 ▪ Produces large cost savings by providing a unified solution that consolidates and
887 streamlines email implementation and administration across the Army
888 enterprise.

APPENDIX A - (U) ACRONYMS

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CONOPS	Concept of Operations
CONUS	Continental United States
COOP	Continuity of Operations Plans
DoD	Department of Defense
EA	Executive Agent
EMCS	Enterprise Email Service
EMCSD	Enterprise Email Service Desk
FOC	Full Operational Capability
FY	Fiscal Year
GAL	Global Address List
GIG	Global Information Infrastructure
IC	Intelligence Community
IOC	Initial Operational Capability
JP	Joint Publications
JWICS	Joint Worldwide Intelligence Communications System
NIPRNET	Unclassified but Sensitive Internet Protocol Router Network
NSA	National Security Agency
OCONUS	Outside Continental United States
PKI	Public Key Infrastructure
RMC	Rate Management Council
SIPRNET	Secret Internet Protocol Router Network
US	United States of America
VPN	Virtual Private Network
WAN	Wide Area Network

APPENDIX B - (U) GLOSSARY

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- **Architecture:** the structure of components, their relationships, and the principles and guidelines governing their design and evolution over time. **[DoD Integrated Architecture Panel, 1995, based on IEEE STD 610.12]**
- **Cyber Attack:** is the use of computers and the Internet in conducting warfare in cyberspace. **[WEB]**
- **Cyberspace:** A global organization within the information environment consisting of the interdependent network of information technology infrastructures, including the Internet, telecommunications networks, computer systems, and embedded processors and controllers. **[Joint Publication 1-02, DOD Dictionary of Military and Associated Terms]**
- **Data Center:** A facility used to house computer systems and associated components, such as telecommunications and storage systems. It generally includes redundant or backup power supplies, redundant data communications connections, environmental controls (e.g., air conditioning, fire suppression) and security devices. **[WEB]**
- **Deployment:** The relocation of forces and materiel to desired operational areas. Deployment encompasses all activities from origin or home station through destination, specifically including intra-continental United States, intertheater, and intratheater movement legs, staging, and holding areas. See also deployment order; deployment planning; prepare to deploy order. **[Joint Publication 1-02]**
- **Distribution List:** A facility in electronic mail systems to enable a large number of subscriber mail addresses to be reached through a single (list) name. **[WEB]**
- **Organization:** A organization is the main subdivision of internet addresses, the last three letters after the final dot, that indicate an organizational affiliation. Some top-level organizations widely used are: .com (commercial) .edu (educational), .net (network operations), .gov (US government), .mil (US military) and .org (organization). **[WEB]**
- **Organization Name:** The unique name that identifies an Internet site. Organization Names always have 2 or more parts, separated by dots. The part on the left is the most specific, and the part on the right is the most general. A given machine may have more than one Organization Name but a given Organization Name points to only one machine. **[WEB]**
- **Email:** Mail composed and transmitted on a computer system or network. **[WEB]**

- **Enterprise:**
 - A unit of economic organization or activity; *especially*: a business organization. **[WEB]**
 - For the purposes of the DoD/Intelligence Community AATT, the *enterprise* consists of the Intelligence Community, DoD, and their partners. **[AATT, 24 June 08]**
- **Environment:** Aggregate of external procedures, conditions, and objects affecting the development, operation, and maintenance of an IS. **[CNSSI-4009]**
- **File Attachment:** A binary file attached to a text message (e.g., word document file, PowerPoint file, excel spreadsheet file, picture file). **[WEB]**
- **Identity Management:** The act of registering identities and issuing, maintaining, and revoking globally unambiguous, assured identifiers for human and non-human subjects (e.g., individuals, organizations, work roles, COIs, devices, and automated processes). Identity management is performed in a federated manner. Subjects will exchange and must reliably interpret federated identifiers; therefore, identifiers must be defined and communicated according to open standards. Identity Management is fundamentally integrated with Credential Management, the ESM capability where identity proofing is performed. **[ESM]**
- **Global Address List:** A directory that contains entries for every group, user, and contact within an organization's implementation of email. **[WEB]**
- **Global Information Grid:** The globally interconnected, end-to-end set of information capabilities, associated processes and personnel for collecting, processing, storing, disseminating, and managing information on demand to warfighters, policy makers, and support personnel. The Global Information Grid includes owned and leased communications and computing systems and services, software (including applications), data, security services, other associated services and National Security Systems. Also called GIG. See also grid; information. **[Joint Publication 1-02]**
- **Node:** In communications and computer systems, the physical location that provides terminating, switching, and gateway access services to support information exchange. **[Joint Publication 1-02]**
- **Provisioning:** The process of providing users with accounts, the appropriate access to those accounts, all the rights associated with those accounts, and all of the resources necessary to manage the accounts. **[WEB]**
- **Service:** A mechanism to enable access to one or more capabilities. **[AATT]**
- **Tactical Edge:** The environment in which US forces directly engage adversaries (e.g., Iraq, Afghanistan).
- **Thick Client:** A user computer that host applications (e.g., Outlook) using the machines internal processing and storage capacity. **[WEB]**

- **User:**
 - A person, organization entity, or automated process that accesses a system, whether authorized to do so or not. **[RFC 2828]**
 - Individual or process authorized to access an IS. **[CNSSI-4009]**
 - (PKI) Individual defined, registered, and bound to a public key structure by a certification authority. **[CNSSI-4009]**
- **VPN Connection:** A network that uses a public telecommunication infrastructure, such as the Internet, to provide remote offices or individual users with secure access to their organization's network. **[WEB]**
- **WEB-browser:** A software application that allows for the browsing of the World Wide Web. **[WEB]**
- **Wide Area Network:** a computer network that spans a large geographical area. **[WEB]**

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