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From: Deputy Commander, Command, Control, Communications, Computers
and Intelligence/Integration

To: Program Manager, Air Defense

Subj: INTERIM AUTHORITY TO OPERATE (IATO) THE TACTICAL AIR OPERATIONS
MODULE (TAOM) AN/TYQ-23 (V)4

- Ref:
- (a) DoDD 5200.40, "DoD Information Technology Security Certification and Accreditation Process (DITSCAP)", of 30 Dec 97
 - (b) DoDD 5200.28, "Security Requirements for Automated Information Systems (AISs)", of 21 Mar 98
 - (c) DoD 8510.1-M, "Department of Defense Information Technology Security Certification and Accreditation Process (DITSCAP) Application Manual"
 - (d) SECNAVINST 5239.3, "Department of the Navy Information Systems Security (INFOSEC) Program", of 14 Jul 95
 - (e) Cmdr ltr 5200 COS, "Appointment as Designated Approving Authority (DAA)", of 21 Jun 01
 - (f) DepCmdr ltr 5200 Ser C4ISR/156, "Certification and Accreditation of Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance", of 3 Sep 99
 - (g) NAVSOPUB 5239-16, Risk Assessment Guide, Sep 95
 - (h) System Security Authorization Agreement (SSAA) for the TAOM

1. Per the provisions set forth in references (a) through (g), and based on a review of reference (h), I hereby grant an IATO for the TAOM (V)4. This IATO is my formal declaration that some of the system security countermeasures have been properly implemented and that a satisfactory level of security is present. Additional system security countermeasures and assurances are needed to ensure the appropriate level of protection is present. A SSAA, to include a security test and evaluation plan, test results, risk assessment, and a risk mitigation plan must be implemented in order to achieve full system accreditation.

2. TAOM, as defined by reference (h), was evaluated for the purpose of this IATO. You are required to contact this office within five days if the installed system configuration is in any way modified from that established by reference (h). Reference (h) identifies the individual system elements and the sensitivity of data this system is authorized to process. This system is authorized to process information up to and including secret in a system high security mode of operation for 180 days from the date of this letter.

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3. During this period of interim approval, TAOM will only be operated based on the mission/system description, data classification, security mode of operation, concept of operation, operating environment, and interconnections, as defined in reference (h), and at a level of risk for which the site Designated Approving Authority (DAA) has assumed responsibility. Based on the site Information System Security Officer's (ISSO) review and evaluation, the site DAA may authorize deviations from the configuration depicted in the SSAA to meet operational or mission needs. Therefore, it is incumbent upon each ISSO to ensure that any change in configuration is analyzed to determine the impact on system security. It is imperative that any changes to the approved operational configuration be clearly and accurately documented, and forwarded to the Certification Authority (CA) within five days after a change has been made. The CA may recommend to me that this accreditation be abrogated if any configuration change places the system and/or operational environment in a high-risk category. You must also properly follow Marine Corps Information Technology Network Operations Center and Defense Information Systems Agency procedures prior to attempting to connect this system to the Secret Internet Protocol Router Network.

4. You are required to contact this office immediately if any of the following occurs:

a. A mission requirement to process information higher than secret is identified.

b. Changes are made to either the approved configuration or present mode of operation.

c. Any high-risk security findings are identified.

5. Retain a copy of this accreditation letter with supporting documentation as a permanent record.

6. Questions may be directed to the CA, Mr. Michael F. Davis, at (703) 784-0884 or (DSN) 278-0884.



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