

## OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE 4000 DEFENSE PENTAGON WASHINGTON, DC 20301-4000

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## MEMORANDUM FOR DESIGNATED FEDERAL OFFICER, RESERVE FORCES POLICY BOARD

SUBJECT: Determination to Close a Portion of Reserve Forces Policy Board Meeting of June 8, 2016

I find that the request to close the 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. time period of the June 8, 2016, meeting of the Reserve Forces Policy Board (RFPB) is consistent with provisions outlined in the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. § 552b(c)(1)) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C., App). Therefore, I determine that the prescribed portion of the meeting shall be closed to the public. The RFPB will meet in open session from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The reason for my determination is that this portion of the agenda is likely to disclose matters that are classified. Such matters are so inextricably intertwined with unclassified material that they cannot reasonably be segregated into separate discussions without disclosing secret or otherwise classified material.

Specifically, the portions of the meeting that will be closed are the presentations by the Under Secretary of the Navy, the Senior Enlisted Advisor to the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Acting Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel & Readiness, and the Secretary of the U.S. Army. Secret level discussions are likely as they address the military operations—readiness, availability, use and performance of the National Guard and Reserve—and the future strategies for their use.

As required by 41 C.F.R. § 102-3.155(d), the RFPB shall ensure that a copy of this determination is made available to the public upon request. In light of this determination, the RFPB shall also comply with all requirements for reporting closed meetings as specified in Department of Defense Instruction 5105.04

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