will lead to improved understanding of the global biogeochemical processes of ocean acidification and its impact on marine ecosystems. Pursuant to section 12404 of the FOARAM Act, 33 U.S.C. 3703, a National Ocean Acidification Program will be established to lead U.S. coordination of ocean acidification activities between the Federal agencies, and with academic institutions, industry, and other private sector and international partners. A national ocean acidification data management and information exchange program will ensure that ocean acidification information reaches scientists, decision makers, and the public in a timely manner. Finally, the U.S. will join other countries in establishing a robust international research program to address this global challenge.

# Overview

The Plan is organized into seven priority themes:

Theme 1—"Monitoring of Ocean Chemistry and Biological Impacts," identifies sampling programs that collect ocean acidification data, and it prioritizes additional monitoring systems necessary for adequate data collection and monitoring.

Theme 2—"Research to Understand Responses to Ocean Acidification," describes the goals and priorities to understand the physiological responses of marine organisms to ocean acidification and its interactions with other stressors, the impacts to marine food webs, and possible approaches to track ecosystem responses.

Theme 3—"Modeling to Predict
Changes in the Ocean Carbon Cycle
and Impacts on Marine Ecosystems
and Organisms," summarizes
requirements and recommendations
for modeling ocean acidification, and
its impacts on marine organisms and
ecosystems, including codifying our
research understanding and studying
the interplay of factors affecting
marine ecosystems, thus permitting
analysis of the efficacy of adaptation
and mitigation strategies.
Theme 4—"Technology Development

Theme 4——"Technology Development and Standardization of Measurements," describes goals that ensure the ability to measure all required parameters through technology development and adequate data quality via measurement standardization.

Theme 5—"Assessment of Socioeconomic Impacts and Development of Strategies to Conserve Marine Organisms and Ecosystems," focuses on assessing the socioeconomic impacts of ocean acidification and developing adaptation and mitigation strategies.

Theme 6—"Education, Outreach, and Engagement Strategy on Ocean Acidification," describes goals for designing and coordinating educational, public outreach, and domestic and international engagement activities, as well as ensuring results and assessments of monitoring and research efforts are accessible to and understandable by all stakeholders.

Theme 7—"Data Management and Integration," discusses the need for effective data management and integration within the context of other international, Federal, State, local and private activities.

# Description of Desired Comments

General comments are welcome and specific comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed strategy meets the requirements of the FOARAM Act, (2) whether the proposed strategy meets the ocean acidification research needs of the United States; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the strategy; and (4) any additional information that is currently absent that should be included. Comments submitted in response to this notice will become a matter of public record and will be posted online together with responses from the Interagency Working Group on Ocean Acidification established under section 12404 of the FOARAM Act. Id. All comments will be carefully considered and addressed in the Strategic Research Plan to the extent possible.

# Public Availability of Comments

All comments received are a part of the public record and may be posted for public viewing at http:// www.st.nmfs.noaa.gov/iwgoa/pages/ research strategy.html without change. All personal identifying information (e.g., name, address, etc.) submitted voluntarily by the sender will be publicly accessible. Do not submit confidential business information, or otherwise sensitive or protected information. NMFS will accept anonymous comments (enter "N/A" in the required fields if you wish to remain anonymous). Attachments to electronic comments will be accepted via email to NMFS.ST.OAStrategy@noaa.gov in Microsoft Word or Excel, WordPerfect, or Adobe PDF file formats only.

Dated: July 5, 2012.

#### David Detlor,

Acting Director, Office of Science and Technology, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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# **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

# Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DOD-2012-OS-0084]

# Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, DoD. **ACTION:** Notice to add a new system of records.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of the Secretary of Defense proposes to add a new system of records in its inventory of record systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended.

**DATES:** This proposed action will be effective on August 10, 2012 unless comments are received which result in a contrary determination.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- Federal Rulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- Mail: Federal Docket Management System Office, 4800 Mark Center Drive, East Tower, 2nd Floor, Suite 02G09, Alexandria, VA 22350–3100.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cindy Allard, Chief, OSD/JS Privacy Office, Freedom of Information Directorate, Washington Headquarters Services, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–1155, or by phone at (571) 372–0461.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of the Secretary of Defense notices for systems of records subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, have been published in the Federal Register and are available from the address in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT. The proposed system report, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(r) of the

Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, was submitted on June 27, 2012, to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to paragraph 4c of Appendix I to OMB Circular No. A—130, "Federal Agency Responsibilities for Maintaining Records About Individuals," dated February 8, 1996 (February 20, 1996, 61 FR 6427).

Dated: July 5, 2012.

# Aaron Siegel,

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#### DHRA 10 DoD

#### SYSTEM NAME:

Defense Sexual Assault Advocate Certification Program.

# SYSTEM LOCATION:

National Organization for Victim Assistance, 510 King Street, Suite 424, Alexandria, VA 22314–3132.

# CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

DoD civilian employees and military personnel requesting national certification as a victim advocate through the National Advocate Credentialing Program.

# CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Applicant's first name, middle initial, and last name; position (Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC) or Sexual Assault Prevention Representative Victim Advocate (SAPR VA)); Service affiliation: Grade/Rank: Installation/ Command; Installation/Command/ Agency address (street, city, state, ZIP code, country); work email address; work telephone number; level to which applicant is applying (Level I, II, III, or IV); certificates of training; Memoranda of Recommendation from the first person in the chain of command or SARC, and the Senior Commander or Commander; date of application; dates the Applicant provided service as SARC or SAPR VA (or as a victim advocate); and the opinions and evaluation of a 12question performance questionnaire, represented by "yes" or "no" answers and short comments and certification number issued.

# AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

10 U.S.C. 1561 note, Sexual Assault Response Coordinators and Sexual Assault Victim Advocates; 10 U.S.C. 136, Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness; DoD Directive 6495.01, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) Program; DoD Instruction 6495.02, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) Program Procedures.

# PURPOSE(S):

To track the certification of SARC and SAPR VAs. Information will be used to review, process, and report on the status of SARC and SAPR VA certification to Congress.

# ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

In addition to those disclosures generally permitted under 5 U.S.C. 552a(b) of the Privacy Act of 1974, these records may specifically be disclosed outside the DoD as a routine use pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(3) as follows:

Any release of information contained in this system of records outside the DoD under a routine use will be compatible with the purpose(s) for which the information is collected and maintained. The DoD "Blanket Routine Uses" set forth at the beginning of Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) systems of records notices may apply to this system.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

#### STORAGE:

Paper files and electronic media.

# RETRIEVABILITY:

Applicant records are retrieved by first name, middle initial, last name, installation/command, Military Service affiliation, rank/grade, position, certification level, and/or certification number.

# SAFEGUARDS:

Records are maintained in a controlled facility that employs physical restrictions such as double locks and is accessible only to authorized persons who hold key fobs. Access to electronic data files in the system is role-based, restricted to essential personnel only, and requires the use of a password. The data server is locked in a windowless room with restricted access. Data is encrypted at rest, and backup data is encrypted and removed to a different secure location for storage. Paper files are stored in a locked filing cabinet in a locked room in the controlled facility. Access to paper files is restricted to those with authorized access. All records are accessible only to authorized persons with a need-to-know basis who are properly screened, cleared and trained.

# RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Disposition pending (until the National Archives and Records

Administration approves a retention and disposal schedule, records will be treated as permanent).

# SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office, ATTN: Defense Sexual Assault Incident Database Program Manager, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Room 07G21, Alexandria, VA 22350–1500.

# NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Individuals seeking to determine whether information about themselves is contained in this system of records should address written inquiries to the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office, ATTN: D–SAACP Manager, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Room 07G21, Alexandria, VA 22350–1500.

Requests must be signed and should contain first name, middle initial, last name, rank/grade, Service affiliation, installation/command, certification level, and certification number.

# RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Individuals seeking access to records about themselves contained in this system of records should address written inquiries to the Office of the Secretary of Defense/Joint Staff Freedom of Information Act Requester Service Center, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–1155.

Requests must be signed and should contain first name, middle initial, last name, rank/grade, Service affiliation, installation/command, certification level, and certification number.

# CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

The OSD rules for accessing records for contesting contents and appealing initial agency determinations are contained in OSD Administrative Instruction 81; 32 Code of Federal Regulations part 311; or may be obtained from the system manager.

# **RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:**

The individual, first person in chain of command or SARC and the Senior Commander or Commander, and the National Advocate Credentialing Program.

# EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None

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