DEFENSE STANDARDIZATION PROGRAM PRESENTS FY2000 AWARDS

During a ceremony at the Pentagon today, one individual and six teams received awards from the Defense Standardization Program (DSP) for outstanding contributions to the Department of Defense last year. Since 1986, DSP has recognized significant achievements in quality, reliability, readiness, cost reduction, and interoperability through standardization. The DSP mission is to identify, influence, develop, manage, and provide access to standardization processes, products and services for warfighters and the acquisition and logistics communities. In addition, the program promotes interoperability, and assists in reducing total ownership cost and in sustaining readiness.

Congratulations To The Following 2000 Defense Standardization Program Award Recipients:

Army-Herbert W. Egbert, U.S. Army Developmental Test Command, Directorate for Test and Technology, Technology Management Division, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. Egbert was recognized for his leadership in NATO and the DSP for environmental safety of munitions and explosives, and for his publications on environmental conditions and tests.

Navy-The Air Combat Electronics Team, Naval Air Systems Command, Air Combat Electronics, Patuxent River, Md. This team successfully developed, fielded, and supported a common digital communications system on more than 40 different types of aircraft, surface ships, and ground-based platforms.

Navy-The Ground Proximity Warning System Integrated Product Team, Naval Air Systems Command, Air Combat Electronics Program Office, Patuxent River, Md. This team was lauded for using standard commercial off-the-shelf equipment, nondevelopmental items, and standard re-usable embedded software in a wide variety of naval aircraft.

Navy-The Common Aviation Support Equipment,

Communications/Navigation Integrated Product Team, Naval Air Systems Command, Patuxent River, Md. The team applied unparalleled experience and skill in the procurement of the latest state-of-the art testing equipment. **Navy-The Ring Laser Gyro Navigation System Team**, Detection, Navigation and Processing Systems Program Office, Arlington, Va.; and the Intelligence, Surveillance, Reconnaissance and Navigation Division, Space War Systems Center, Charleston, Norfolk Detachment, Norfolk, Va. This group was responsible for the development of the Ring Laser Gyro Navigation System, the next generation inertial navigator for use with surface ships and submarines.

Defense Logistics Agency-The Specifications Development Team, Defense Supply Center, Philadelphia, Pa. This team succeeded in completing more

than 3,000 standardization actions including development of 868 nongovernment standards to replace military counterpart documents and the cancellation, or inactivation, of more than 2,000 military specifications. **Joint Navy and Air Force Project-The Joint Service Specification Guide Government Integration Team**, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, and Naval Air Systems Command, Patuxent River, Md. The team developed a set of generic specification guides, written in performance terms, which provides a starting point for preparing a program specification for future acquisitions.

Additional information on the Defense Standardization Program, awardees and their accomplishments may be obtained by visiting <u>http://www.dsp.dla.mil</u>.