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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Army Acquisition Call for Nominations – 2020 Defense Acquisition Awards

1. Our Army acquisition professionals, in collaboration with industry partners, have worked hard to support the National Defense Strategy to increase readiness and lethality while recently stepping up to also support the Nation's fight against COVID-19. The workforce has responded at the critical speed of relevance to develop and acquire a vast array of solutions for the Soldier. I urge each of you to take this opportunity to recognize the best-of-the-best of outstanding professionals and teams for the prestigious 2020 Defense Acquisition Awards. Army nominations must be submitted to my office no later than June 4, 2020 in order to meet the program deadline. Award categories are:

a. The David Packard Excellence in Acquisition Award recognizes Department of Defense (DoD) acquisition programs and their teams that have demonstrated exemplary acquisition excellence, innovation and reform. The Packard Award is the preeminent team acquisition award.

b. The Defense Acquisition Workforce Individual Achievement Award recognizes individuals who demonstrate the highest levels of excellence and professionalism in their respective acquisition functional area.

c. The Defense Acquisition Workforce Development Innovation Award recognizes acquisition organizations that have demonstrated exceptional innovation in talent management.

d. The Software Innovation Team Award, established in 2019, recognizes teams who are driving speed and innovation in continuous software development and acquisition as evidenced by frequent and high-quality delivery of software capabilities into the hands of warfighters.

e. The Flexibility in Contracting Award recognizes professionals who demonstrate innovation and local adaptation by using the flexibilities and authorities granted by the Federal Acquisition Regulation and DoD Instruction 5000.02, "Operation of the Adaptive Acquisition Framework."

2. Eligibility and submission details for each award category are provided in the enclosed documents. You may submit one nomination per award category, and each nomination must be endorsed by the head of your organization. Your nomination must be submitted electronically no later than 4 June 2020. For more details on award categories and criteria, and to submit your nominations, visit the U.S. Army Acquisition Support Center website at <https://asc.army.mil/web/acquisition-awards/>.

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3. It is important that we continue to recognize the outstanding contributions of our Army acquisition professionals. Award winners will be honored at a ceremony in late 2020.

4. My point of contact is Ms. Rachel Berry, 703-664-5687, rachel.h.berry.ctr@mail.mil.

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