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From: Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Research, Development, and Acquisition (ASN (RD&A)

To: Department of the Navy SYSCOM Commanders and Program Executive Officers

SUBJECT: UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR ACQUISITION AND SUSTAINMENT (USD (A&S)) MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE DATED MARCH 20, 2020

The subject USD (A&S) memorandum states that the Defense Industrial Base (DIB) sector is an essential part of the critical infrastructure as defined by the Department of Homeland Security.

Given this guidance, in responding to state and local "Shelter-in-Place" and other similar orders, you need only reference the USD (A&S) memorandum to ensure that DIB contractor and supplier work continues to maintain the essential critical infrastructure. You no longer need to interpret each individual state and local order in responding.

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