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SECNAV INSTRUCTION 5430.80D

From: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: COMMAND RELATIONSHIPS WHEN THE COAST GUARD IS OPERATING  
AS A SERVICE IN THE NAVY

Ref: (a) Section 3 of Title 14, United States Code  
(b) Title 10, United States Code  
(c) SECNAV M-5210.1

1. Purpose. To provide for the command relationships of the Commandant of the Coast Guard with the Secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) and the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) upon the declaration of war or when the President directs the Coast Guard to operate as a Service in the Navy.

2. Cancellation. SECNAVINST 5430.80C.

3. Information. The United States Code designates and prescribes the functions of the Coast Guard as a Service in the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Reference (a) states that *upon the declaration of war if Congress so directs in the declaration or when the President directs*, the Coast Guard shall operate as a Service in the Navy and shall so continue until the President, by Executive order, transfers the Coast Guard back to the DHS. Reference (a) and section 5013b of reference(b) further prescribe that while operating as a Service in the Navy, the Coast Guard is subject to orders of the SECNAV, who may order changes in Coast Guard operations to make them uniform, to the extent he or she considers advisable, with Navy operations. Section 5013a of reference (b) provides that whenever the Coast Guard operates as a Service in the Navy under reference (a), the SECNAV has the same powers and duties with respect to the Coast Guard as the Secretary of Homeland Security has when the Coast Guard is not so operating. Effective basic planning documents prescribe detailed military responsibilities and command relationships.

4. Guidance

a. The Commandant of the Coast Guard, when reporting under reference (a) to the SECNAV, will coordinate with the CNO for those military functions that concern the organization, training, and readiness of elements of the Coast Guard assigned to the Operating Forces of the Navy.

b. The Commandant of the Coast Guard will be responsible to the SECNAV to:

(1) Coordinate with the CNO the support needs of the Coast Guard for equipment, weapons or weapons systems, material, supplies, facilities, maintenance, and supporting services. This responsibility includes determination of Coast Guard equipment and material to be procured or developed, training required to prepare for combat, and operation of the Coast Guard supply system.

(2) Develop the Coast Guard budget for submission to the SECNAV.

(3) Plan for and determine personnel needs, including Reserve personnel of the Coast Guard.

5. Delegation. Functions, powers, and duties vested in the Commandant of the Coast Guard, by appropriate orders and regulations of the Secretary of Homeland Security on the day prior to the effective date of transfer of the Coast Guard to the Department of the Navy, will continue in effect under the authority of the SECNAV until specifically modified or terminated by the SECNAV.

6. Records Management. Records created as a result of this instruction, regardless of media and format, shall be managed in accordance with reference (c).

  
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