INFORMATION PAPER

SUBJECT: Phase II Joint Professional Military Education (JPME II) JCWS Satellite Program

1. **Purpose.** To describe the satellite program fielded by the Joint Forces Staff College (JFSC) in Tampa, FL.

2. **Background.**
   - The 2005 NDAA specified that JPME II was to be taught in residence only.
   - Concept of a non-resident JPME II program originated in a DJS tasks in 2006 and 2007.
   - DJS Memo (01 April 2011) directed the program be proposed to Congress.
   - The 2012 NDAA approved a 5-year program test at not more than two CCMD HQs.
   - Joint Staff DJ-7 directed (14 June 2012) JFSC implement the JCWS Satellite in Tampa, FL, serving CENTCOM and SOCOM.

3. **Issues.**
   - The program was designed to supplement current throughput of CCDM staff personnel and prove the educational validity of performing JPME II in a non-resident format.
   - Seminar composition.
     - CCDR nominates students and Services assign them to the course.
     - There are 16 slots available for uniformed students per class. At sites with two CCMDs, each will be offered 8 slots, divided equally between air, land, and sea components.
     - Class composition will also include one International Fellow and one Interagency student per seminar.
   - The satellite format is nearly identical to the resident 10-week JCWS curriculum. Students will be in a local TDY status and engage full-time in the program.
     - The only unique academic elements of satellite curriculum are two lessons on the introduction to the elements of operational design.
     - Resident students in Norfolk use a case study and staff ride on the Yorktown battle of the Revolutionary War. In Tampa, JFSC developed a case study and staff ride on the Second Seminole War (1835-1842).
     - Case studies will be developed for the other satellite sites.
   - The College maintains close oversight of the program and provided data for the SECDEF report to Congress, which is programmed for submission in June 2014 to allow this initiative to be in the 2016 NDAA decision cycle.
There are four satellite classes in Tampa offered in 2014:

- Class 14-1: 13 January to 20 March 2014,
- Class 14-2: 07 March to 12 June 2014,
- Class 14-3: 23 June to 28 August 2014, and
- Class 14-4: 08 September to 13 November 2014.

- A similar class schedule was run in 2013 and will be repeated in 2015.
- If Congress approves the results of the test and authorizes non-resident JPME II, there will be incremental implementation over 2016-2017 to support all 8 sites (7 CCMD and NCR). The class schedule for 2017 will apply to subsequent years.

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*Tampa: CENTCOM/SOCOM

Three-person teaching teams are assembled for each class and assigned to the satellite site in a TDY status.

4. **Recommendation.** None—for information only.

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