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MEMORANDUM FOR CNO/N6F, ATTN: MAX ROGOZINSKI

Subject: Interim Certificate to Operate (ICTO) for the Internet Relay Chat (IRC)

1. In accordance with the authority provided by reference, the Interoperability Test Panel (ITP) have reviewed and concurred with your request for an Interim Certificate to Operate (ICTO) with respect to the Internet Relay Chat (IRC). The ITP bases the concurrence with this ICTO upon your identified urgent operational requirement to field this system.
2. The ITP Chairman concurs with recommendations of the Joint Interoperability Test Command (JITC) and the ITP members, and grants an ICTO for use of IRC while completing interoperability certification testing. This ICTO is effective beginning 15 July 2004 and expires on 30 November 2004. The Navy must provide a systems status update to the ITP at the November 2004 ITP meeting to further extend this ICTO.
3. This ICTO is subject to the following conditions:
  - a. The Navy is to pursue certification through applicable Working Groups, finalize IRC interoperability requirements (ISP), and submit the ISP to the JS for approval and schedule IRC for interoperability certification testing or apply for a waiver from the interoperability certification requirements of DoDD 4630.5 via the GIG Waiver Panel.
  - b. If, at the end of this ICTO, IRC has not been joint interoperability certified, or granted a waiver to the interoperability certification policy, The ITP will consider it a candidate for removal from operational use.
4. JITC point of contact is Mr. Joe Peeples, DSN 354-2802, Commercial (301) 744-2802, fax (301) 744-2688 or email address: [peeplesj@ncr.disa.mil](mailto:peeplesj@ncr.disa.mil).

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BRIAN P. HAMILTON  
LTC, USA  
Acting Chairman, Interoperability Test Panel

Reference:

- 1 CJCSI 6212.01C, Interoperability and Supportability of Information Technology and National Security Systems, 20 November 2003