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SUBJECT: Policy for Military Health System Enterprise Architecture Principles, Version 1.0

I am pleased to announce the Military Health System (MHS) Enterprise Architecture (EA) Principles, Version 1.0 was approved by the MHS EA Committee under the MHS Chief Information Officer (CIO) Management Board on April 20, 2011. I would like to thank you for your staff's support and participation in the development of the MHS EA Principles, and look forward to more achievements as we continue to work together.

MHS EA Principles define high-level tenets, which will form the foundation for key design considerations, future architecture development, and decision-making for MHS Information Management and Information Technology (IM/IT) investments. MHS EA Principles are based on Federal, Department of Defense (DoD), and MHS policies, guidance, and commercial best practices, and provide a set of values that will guide the development of architecture, standards, and policy. MHS EA Principles directly align to the DoD Information Enterprise Architecture, DoD Net-Centric guidance, and MHS IM/IT Strategic Plan.

The Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) for MHS will be incorporating EA Principles into architecture, contracts, policy, guidance, and architecture compliance frameworks to ensure their promulgation and application.

MHS EA Principles, Version 1.0 will remain in effect until superseded or rescinded. This document will be reviewed and updated on an annual basis and published after approval by the MHS Enterprise Architecture Committee.

The point of contact in the Office of the OCIO EA Division is Ms. Stephanie Boyles. Ms. Boyles can be reached at Stephanie.Boyles@tma.osd.mil, or (703) 681-8788.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan Woodson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jonathan" and the last name "Woodson" clearly distinguishable.

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Attachment:
Military Health System Enterprise Architecture Principles, Version 1.0