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Purpose

□ To brief the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services on:

- Current progress towards implementation of Defense Objective 1 from the WPS Strategic Framework and Implementation Plan (SFIP)
- Status of DoD Instruction (DoDI) on WPS
- Overview of Socium, the security cooperation knowledge management system of record, that includes WPS activities and investments



- □ Statutory Authorities & Requirements
- □ DoD WPS SFIP Overview
- □ Update: DoD WPS SFIP Progress
- ☐ Update: DoDI 5205.EI on WPS
- □ Update: Socium
- □ Way Ahead



Statutory Authorities & Requirements



U.S. Strategy and National Action Plan on WPS- Whole-of-government strategy for WPS implementation; satisfies E.O. 13595 and WPS Act requirements; tasks departments with updating their implementation plans no later than 9 months after it goes into effect.



E.O. 14020 - Established the U.S. Strategy for Gender Equity & Equality and organizes national security, domestic, and foreign policy efforts to advance gender equality; required department-level action plans; annual reporting requirement.



Section 1210E of FY21 NDAA, as amended- Authorizes SECDEF to undertake activities consistent with WPS Act; annual reporting requirement until 2025. Updated in FY22 with WPS barriers assessment and pilot program.



2020

DoD Strategic Framework & Implementation Plan- Provides DoD objectives for WPS Strategy & Act; fulfills WPS Act and Strategy requirement to establish plan; will update after 2023 WPS Strategy.



2019

U.S. Strategy on WPS- Whole-of-government strategy for WPS implementation; satisfies E.O. 13595 requirements; tasks U.S. Government departments with creating implementation plans.



2017



U.S. WPS Act- Requires creation of a single, governmentwide WPS strategy every four years; tasks DoD, DoS, USAID, and DHS as implementing departments and agencies for that strategy.



2011

E.O. 13595- Established U.S. National Action Plan for global WPS mandate, organizing USG WPS implementation for USG.



DoD WPS SFIP Defense Objectives

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Defense Objective 1: Model & employ WPS

- 1.1: Improve coordination with DoD Personnel & Readiness efforts on diversity, equity, and inclusion
- 1.2: Integrate WPS principles throughout DoD guidance, mission areas, resources, and authorities



Defense Objective 2: Promote partner nation women's participation

2.1: Promote women's meaningful participation with partner nations and strengthen partner nation security sector's recruitment and retention of women

Defense Objective 3: Facilitate partner nation ability to ensure security of their civilians, especially women and girls

3.1: Strengthen partner nation security sector commitment to human rights (IHL/IHRL)



Update: Progress towards DoD WPS Strategic Framework & Implementation Plan (SFIP)

SFIP Defense Objective 1: Model & employ WPS

- The Independent Review Commission (IRC) on Sexual Assault in the Military enabled progress towards SFIP Defense Objective 1 in the following ways:
 - ☐ Standardizing the gender advisory workforce (in progress)
 - ☐ Integrating a gender analysis into the military planning & operational frameworks (in progress)
 - Mainstreaming WPS priorities in professional military education (in progress)
 - ✓ Supporting P&R inclusion in DoD WPS implementation
 - ✓ Using qualitative data to measure progress of Defense Objective 1 in DoD WPS SFIP

SFIP Defense Objective 2: Promote partner nation women's participation SFIP Defense Objective 3: Ensure protection of partner nation civilians

- OSD(P) and CCMDs advanced SFIP Defense Objectives 2 and 3 by integrating WPS into SC planning
 - ✓ FY23 NDAA Section 1208 and multi-year SC planning guidance
 - ✓ Integration of WPS into Socium, the security cooperation knowledge management system of record
 - WPS Barriers Assessment & Pilot Program (in progress)
 - WPS inputs to Security Cooperation workforce curricula at the Defense Security Cooperation University



Update: DoDI 5205.El on WPS

- **POLICY**
 - Establishes policy, assigns responsibilities, and provides procedures for implementing DoD WPS policy consistent with the WPS recommendations (3.4a-3.4e) in the IRC on Sexual Assault in the Military as authorized through FY21 NDAA Section 1210E
 - Enables many elements of MILDEP Plans of Actions and Milestones for IRC WPS actions
 - Currently in formal coordination
 - Anticipated publication date March 2024

DoDI 5205.El Conceptual Framework

Institutionalization

Operationalization

Our People

U.S. Operations, Activities, & Investments (OAIs) in theater

Working with Allies & Partners

Advancing the meaningful participation of women and people of different gender identities across the development, management, and employment of the US Joint Force.

Ensuring U.S. military
OAls do not have a
negative impact on
the condition of
partner nation (PN)
civilians based on
different gender
roles, identities, and
responsibilities.

Protecting and mitigating harm to civilians, especially women and girls, by accounting for human security threats to civilians within US OAIs.

To expand opportunities and remove barriers to recruitment, employment, retention, development, and promotion that contribute to the under-representation of women in foreign security forces.

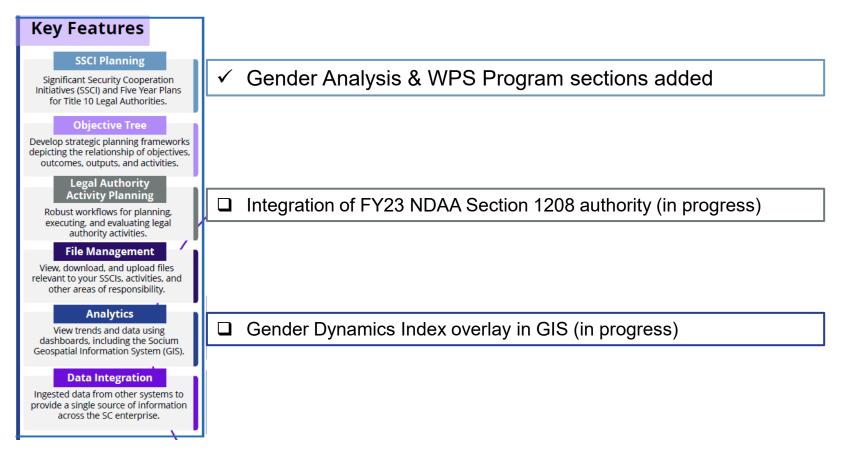
On the reduction and prevention of sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic abuse, and other forms of violence that disproportionately impact women's participation in foreign security forces.

On integrating gender analysis into their policy, planning, operations, exercises, and training.



Update: Socium

 The Department's security cooperation knowledge management system of record that enables the Security Cooperation Enterprise to plan, budget, collaborate, design, assess, monitor, evaluate, and report on security cooperation activities





Way Ahead & Questions

- Lead revision of DoD WPS SFIP in JAN 2024
 - Recently released 2023 U.S. WPS Strategy and National Action Plan is driving changes to DoD WPS SFIP
 - DoD WPS SFIP establishes objectives and tasks for making progress in accordance with the US WPS NAP and Strategy over the next four years, consistent with forthcoming DoDI 5205.EI on WPS
- Publish DoDI 5205.EI
- Continue planning and programming for future fiscal years' WPS security cooperation programs
 - OSD(P)/Global Partnerships is the USD(P) lead for security cooperation policy and resource allocation for the DSCA-managed International Security Cooperation Programs account