# **RFI Category and Number:**

## Dual-Military Co-Location Policies RFI #7

## **RFI** Question:

In 2017, the Committee made three recommendations on dual-military co-location policies. DACOWITS continues to be interested in the retention of servicewomen and believes the colocation of dual military couples is a contributing factor to success in this area. Proportionally more women are married to a military spouse than are men, indicating that co-location policies can disproportionately affect servicewomen compared to servicemen.

- a. What is the definition of a dual military co-located couple?
- b. Will there be any time, transportation, traffic, or distance constraints that are used in dual military co-location assignments?
- c. When was your Service's dual military co-location policy last updated?

#### RFI Response:

- a. Navy Members married to other military members, including Navy members with members of other uniformed services or services of other countries, who are assigned in the same geographic area.
- b. While there is no established maximum distance between duty stations for collocation, 90 driving miles should be used as a guide when considering collocation requests.
- c. Navy released the changes to the colocation assignment process in 2016. The major change was that everyone married to a service member was automatically enrolled in the collocation program, and if they wished to take an assignment where the members were not collocated they had to opt out for that assignment only.

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