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Mr. Reid Nelson  
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SUBJECT: Notification of Decision to Use the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's "Program Comment on Certain Housing, Building, and Transportation Undertakings"

Dear Mr. Nelson,

The Department of Defense (DoD) is providing notice to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) that the DoD Components, including their Reserve Components and the National Guard Bureau, intend to use the ACHP's December 2024 *Program Comment on Certain Housing, Building, and Transportation Undertakings* (ACHP PC) to fulfill their Section 106 review requirements for covered undertakings in the entirety of the United States, including all States as defined in section 300317 of title 54, United States Code, the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended.

DoD Components using any section of the ACHP PC are responsible for keeping records and for satisfying and documenting the satisfaction of any conditions, exclusions, or requirements, as applicable, regarding the covered undertaking to which they are applying the ACHP PC. DoD Components using the ACHP PC must also provide an annual report directly to the ACHP, per section X.A.1 of the ACHP PC, with a copy to me.

DoD anticipates significant cost and time savings by using the ACHP PC, while still maintaining our high standards for the protection of historic properties. DoD values our relationship with the ACHP and will maintain open lines of communication and transparency while applying the ACHP PC. My point of contact for this matter is Ms. Michelle Volkema, Deputy Federal Preservation Officer, at 571-372-6888 or [michelle.a.volkema.civ@mail.mil](mailto:michelle.a.volkema.civ@mail.mil).

Sincerely

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