

Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)
between
U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs,
Defense Logistics Agency/Diminishing Manufacturing Sources, Material Shortages Program
Office (DLA/DMSMS),
and
Joint Council on Aging Aircraft (JCAA)

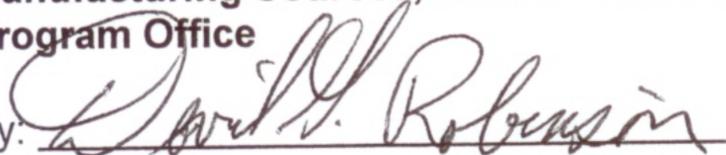
This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is made and entered into between the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs', Center for Veterans Enterprise (CVE) with offices in Washington, DC, the Defense Logistics Agency/Diminishing Manufacturing Sources, Material Shortages Program Office (DLA/DMSMS), with offices in Columbus, OH, and the Joint Council on Aging Aircraft (JCAA) with offices in Arlington, VA, hereinafter referred to as "the Parties" or "Principals" and each individually referred to as "Party" or "Principal."

1. **Purpose:** The purpose of this MOA is to define cooperative efforts between CVE, DLA/DMSMS Program Office and JCAA to leverage the capabilities and skills of each organization in order to create the VetBiz Initiative for National Sustainment (VINS).
2. **Background:** There is a growing need to expand the visibility and employment opportunities for service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses (SDVOSBs) and veteran-owned small businesses (VOSBs) within the Department of Defense (DOD) programs that specifically address the sustainment of fielded systems. This program will seek to provide DOD increased access to veteran-owned suppliers and vendors, as well as improving the access and visibility of these vendors and suppliers to DOD sustainment needs. Through these efforts, DOD will be able to reduce age-related costs, shorten maintenance cycle times, and alleviate the extreme parts backorders for older platforms such as the USAF B-52, etc. The project will leverage CVE's Vendor Information Pages (VIP) Database to provide the stated visibility to DOD and Industry Program Managers in need of agile, capable firms to address DOD sustainment issues.
3. **Relationship of the Parties:** DLA/DMSMS Program Office, as the government program manager, will initially develop program requirements and upon commencement of the program, direct the overall program efforts. The Defense Sustainment Consortium (DSC) will assist DLA/DMSMS Program Office in developing the program requirements that are mutually supportive of government, industry, and veteran-owned small business needs and capabilities. Upon program commencement, it is envisioned that DSC will coordinate all aspects of VINS program execution, through the Advanced Technology Institute (ATI), as the Prime Contractor. This will include responsibility for facilitating cooperation among government and industry partners, all subcontracting necessary and relevant to support VINS program requirements, and developing and executing the education and outreach strategies to ensure VINS program success. CVE, JCAA, and the two associated program managers for the Shared Data Warehouse (SDW) and Joint/Coalition Obsolescence Management Modernization System (JCOMMS), respectively, have pledged material and technical resources where available to support the effort.
4. **Proprietary Information:** During the term of this Agreement, the Parties, to the extent of their right to do so and as required for each to perform its obligation hereunder, may exchange proprietary and confidential information. All such information will be marked appropriately and not disclosed to the general public or any other party without prior, express written authorization by the owner of the information.
5. **Review:** The principals of this Agreement will review and align the efforts established under this Agreement on a regular basis, as required.

6. **Obligation of the Principals:** The Memorandum of Agreement is not a contractual obligation between the parties or principals, and in no way shall conflict with, modify, or negate clauses of any contracts which have been or are to be negotiated between the parties or principals. Each Party will bear all costs, risks, and liabilities incurred by it arising out of its obligations and efforts under this Agreement.
7. **Financial Responsibilities:** Each Party will directly fund its own participation under this agreement, unless otherwise agreed in writing. Any activity that involves payment for services related to this agreement will be addressed in an appropriate funding document according to applicable rules and regulations of the Party providing the funds. All activities under or pursuant to this agreement are subject to the availability of Federal funds, and no provision herein will be interpreted to require obligation or payment of funds by any Party. This agreement does not obligate either party to spend funds for any particular project or purpose, even if funds are available.
8. **Terms of Agreement and Right of Termination:** Either Party may unilaterally withdraw at any time from this MOA upon thirty days written notification to the other Party.

Any modification to this agreement will be executed in writing and signed by an authorized representative of each Party.

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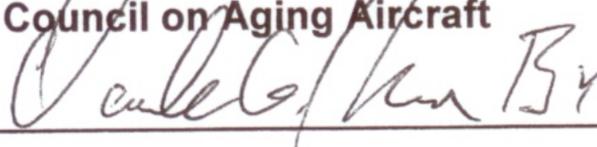
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