Memorandum of Understanding between
The Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Information Warfare and Enterprise Services (DASN IWAR) / Department of the Navy Chief Technology Officer (CTO) AND
The Air Force Chief Software Officer (CSO) FOR
Black Pearl and Platform One Partnership

This is a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Deputy Assistant of the Navy for Information Warfare and Enterprise Services (DASN IWAR) / Department of the Navy (DON) Chief Technology Officer (CTO) and the Air Force (AF) Chief Software Officer (CSO). When referred to collectively, the DASN IWAR/CTO and the AF CSO are referred to as the “Parties”.

1. BACKGROUND: AF’s Platform One (P1) is a DoD Enterprise Solution for DevSecOps and has created a baseline platform team and platform, Big Bang, that aligns to the DoD DevSecOps Reference Design (reference a). The DON’s Black Pearl (BP) platform team, Lighthouse, is the first team to jointly operate and contribute to the baseline. BP is a Naval-centric resource that prioritizes Naval needs while P1 prioritizes AF and other requests.

2. PURPOSE: The intent of this MOU is to instantiate a formalized partnership between the AF’s P1 team and the DON’s BP team.

3. UNDERSTANDINGS OF THE PARTIES:

3.1 The DON will accept AF authorization of any P1 services via reciprocity, including the DoD exception to policy for the AF Cloud Native Access Point (reference b).

3.2 Naval organizations may pursue educational and experimental opportunities with P1 for any topics outside of platform or DevSecOps. Naval teams encompass the Navy, Marine Corps, DON Secretariat, and any combination thereof.

3.3. The AF P1 Team

3.3.1 Understands that BP is the sole authorized point of entry for Naval DevSecOps platform projects and teams within P1.

3.3.2 Will maintain an Authority to Operate (ATO) that is compliant with DoD Instruction (DoDI) 8510.01 and in accordance with reference b.

3.4 The DON BP Team

3.4.1 Will be dedicated to servicing Naval needs and will be the Naval enterprise DevSecOps software practice, platform, and enablement portfolio within P1.

4. REFERENCES:

a. DoD Enterprise DevSecOps Reference Design Version 1.0 August 12, 2019
b. Approval of Exception to DOD Policy for the US Air Force Cloud Native Access Point (CNAP) September 11, 2020
c. DOD Instruction (DoDI) 4000.19 “Support Agreements” Change 2, August 31, 2018
5. POINTS OF CONTACT: The following points of contact will be used by the Parties to communicate in the implementation of this MOU. Each Party may change its point of contact upon reasonable notice to the other Party.

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6. FUNDING: This MOU does not document nor provide for the exchange of funds or resources between the Parties nor does it make any commitment of funds or resources.

7. GENERAL PROVISIONS:

7.1 MODIFICATION OF MOU: This MOU may only be modified by the written agreement of the Parties, duly signed by their authorized representatives. This MOU will be reviewed annually on or around the anniversary of its effective date, and triennially in its entirety.

7.2 DISPUTES: Any disputes relating to this MOU will, subject to any applicable law, Executive Order, Directive, or Instruction, be resolved by consultation between the Parties or in accordance with reference c.

7.3 TERMINATION OF MOU: This MOU may be terminated in writing at will by either Party.

7.4 TRANSFERABILITY: This MOU is not transferable except with the written consent of the Parties.

7.5 EFFECTIVE DATE: This MOU takes effect beginning on the day after the last Party signs.

7.6 EXPIRATION DATE: This MOU expires 7 years from the effective date unless terminated or updated prior to that date.

7.7 ENTIRE UNDERSTANDING: It is expressly understood and agreed that this MOU embodies the entire understanding between the Parties regarding the MOU’s subject matter.

APPROVED:
For: AF CSO

Mr. Nicolas Chaillan
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For: DASN IWAR/CTO

Ms. Jane Rathbun
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