MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

FROM: SAF/CN
1800 Air Force Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20330-1665

SUBJECT: Platform One Guidance for Department of the Air Force (DAF) Information Technology (IT)

References: (a) DoD Chief Information Officer Memorandum, “Cybersecurity Reciprocity,” 18 October 2016
(b) DoD Enterprise DevSecOps Reference Design v1.0, 12 August 2019
(c) DoD Chief Information Officer Memorandum, “Designation of Enterprise Service Provider for DevSecOps,” 22 May 2020

1. In accordance with reference (a), I request that all DAF Authorizing Officials (AOs) accept the approved Authorization to Operate (ATOs) for Platform One products and services with full reciprocity. Given that Platform One is architected to maintain its security integrity on a diverse set of production environments, we should not lose our accelerated momentum by re-checking the checkers. Activities to assess Platform One products and services should be directed by the Platform One AO, the Air Force Chief Software Officer, and/or the Office of the Deputy Chief Information Officer (DCIO). Platform One will provide consumers a Security Control Test Matrix and control mapping on products, as applicable and defined by the Designated DAF AO.

2. Platform One is fully compliant with reference (b) and is an accredited, approved, and authorized DoD Enterprise DevSecOps baseline. This authorization includes managed services hosted within Cloud One, approved on-premise environments, and various classified cloud service environments. Additionally, Platform One has satisfied the Continuous Authority to Operate (cATO) requirements of its Designated DAF AO and the DAF DCIO. The team has undergone intense scrutiny as one of only two Air Force programs to achieve a cATO, as defined by the Office of the DAF DCIO, and is able to onboard new development teams that can deliver accredited applications to warfighters within weeks. We need this kind of agility to underpin our future competitive advantage and accelerated change.

3. Platform One is a Department of Defense (DoD) DevSecOps-managed enterprise service approved for operations by the DAF and DoD CIO. In accordance with reference (c), the DoD CIO has identified Platform One as the DoD’s preferred Enterprise Service Provider (ESP) for DevSecOps. Platform One offers various products and services to guide, empower, equip, and accelerate DoD program offices and weapon systems through their DevSecOps journeys. A complete list of products and services can be found at https://software.af.mil/dsop/services/ and https://p1.dsop.io/.
4. The Platform One team has developed a world class development environment so that our development teams can focus on creating the capabilities our Airmen and Guardians need! Programs shall leverage the capabilities as a first choice before creating unique services, and collaborate with the Platform One team to identify and deploy new services for use by all DAF development teams.

5. In order to Accelerate Change, we must be bold in our adoption of best in class technologies, processes, and platforms – with our smartest Airmen and Guardians focusing their time and efforts on the next problem to solve. Agility demands innovation at speed and scale based on sound risk management practices with an operational and warfighter focus.

6. Please direct any questions regarding this memorandum to the Platform One Chief Information Security Officer (CISO), Mr. Matthew Huston, AFLCMC/HNCP, or via email at matthew.huston.12@us.af.mil. Additional information about Platform One can be found on the Air Force CSO’s website at https://software.af.mil/.

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7 Attachments:
1. Party Bus Authorization to Operate (Authorization Termination Date: 9 Mar 21)
2. Iron Bank Authority to Operate (Authorization Termination Date: 10 Mar 21)
3. CNAP Authority to Operate (Authorization Termination Date: 12 Aug 23)
4. Approval of Exception to DoD Policy for the U.S. Air Force CNAP, 31 Jul 20
5. DoD Continuous Authorization Guide v1.0, 30 Sep 20
6. DSWAG Continuous Authorization Guide (cATO) v1.0, 30 Sep 2020
7. DoD Enterprise DevSecOps Initiative-Introduction version 5.5, 15 Sep 20

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