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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (INSTALLATIONS,
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ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (ENERGY,
INSTALLATIONS AND ENVIRONMENT)
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE
(INSTALLATIONS, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY)
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SUBJECT: Sikes Act Implementing Procedures – Clarifying the Role of the U.S. Fish and
Wildlife Service (USFWS) and State Agencies

This memorandum is intended to clarify the role of the USFWS and state agencies in
implementing Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan (INRMP) objectives.

The Military Departments and the Defense Logistics Agency are reminded that when
contracting for services to implement the provisions of an INRMP for military installations and
state-owned National Guard installations, “*priority shall be given to...Federal and State agencies
having responsibility for the conservation or management of fish and wildlife.*” See Section
101(d)(2) of the Sikes Act, 16 U.S.C. §670a(d)(2) (emphasis added).

The Military Departments are further advised that it is Department of Defense policy to
give a preference to federal and state fish and wildlife agencies when using a cooperative
agreement or interagency agreement under Section 103A of the Sikes Act to obtain services to
implement the provisions of an INRMP.

This memorandum replaces the memorandum dated January 28, 2014, same subject.
My point of contact for questions related to the implementation of the Sikes Act is Mr. Peter
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