Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Estimates
Office of the Secretary of Defense MISO

April 2022
I. Description of Operations Financed:
Military Information Support Operations (MISO) funds the operational employment of MISO to change the behavior of foreign target audiences. These funds are distributed to, and executed by, the Combatant Commands (CCMDs). The interconnectedness of global communication systems and the ability of our adversaries to use information trans-regionally requires the Department of Defense (DoD) to compete in the information environment at a strategic level.

The FY 2023 appropriations request of $246,259 thousand reflects the Department’s new approach to MISO budgeting by utilizing a central fund within the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD). The Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict (ASD(SO/LIC)) will be responsible for MISO program management and budget formulation. A single MISO account increases transparency and enhances ASD(SO/LIC)’s oversight of MISO programming. FY 2023 represents the first year of the Department’s utilization of a consolidated MISO budget to fund MISO operations.

The Department will transfer funds previously programmed by the Military Departments and US Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) to capitalize the central MISO account. USSOCOM will execute directly from the centralized MISO account for Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC) and the Joint Military Information Support Operations Web Operations Center (JMWC). Similarly, MISO conducted by theater special operations commands will be executed from the centralized MISO account by the appropriate Geographic Combatant Command. USSOCOM will continue to receive the MISO money used for manning, training, and equipping the active duty PSYOP force through O&M defense wide as in previous years.

MISO funds the operational employment to change the behavior of foreign target audiences.

MISO execution includes the production, translation, distribution, and dissemination costs associated with providing information to foreign audiences, through a variety of communication mechanisms (audio, visual, and audio-visual,) designed to affect the foreign audiences’ perceptions, reasoning, beliefs, motivations, decisions, and ultimately behavior.

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**Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide Summary ($ in thousands)**

**Budget Activity (BA) 1: Operating forces**

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*The total amount of the FY 2023 request reflects $86,252.0 thousand for Overseas Operations Costs.
I. Description of Operations Financed: (Cont.)
MISO assessment includes the cost of surveys, focus groups, and the collection and analysis of data associated with determining MISO effectiveness.

MISO support includes the costs of administrative fees, signature reduction requirements, personnel support, necessary travel, and supplies and material.

Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Overseas Operations Costs funding accounted for in the Base budget include:

- Operation INHERENT RESOLVE (OIR) [$35,108 thousand].
- Operation European Deterrence Initiative (EDI) [$9,884 thousand].
- Other theater requirements and related missions [$41,260 thousand].
II. Force Structure Summary:
N/A
### III. Financial Summary ($ in Thousands):

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*Overseas Operations costs accounted for in the base budget: $86,252.0 thousand.
### III. Financial Summary ($ in Thousands): (Cont.)

#### B. Reconciliation Summary

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III. Financial Summary ($ in Thousands): (Cont.)

FY 2022 President's Budget Request (Amended, if applicable) ................................................................. $0

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   a) Distributed Adjustments ......................................................................................................................... $0
   b) Undistributed Adjustments ................................................................................................................... $0
   c) Adjustments to Meet Congressional Intent .......................................................................................... $0
   d) General Provisions ............................................................................................................................... $0

FY 2022 Appropriated Amount ..................................................................................................................... $0

2. Supplemental Appropriations ................................................................................................................ $0
   a) Supplemental Funding ............................................................................................................................ $0

3. Fact-of-Life Changes ................................................................................................................................ $0
   a) Functional Transfers .............................................................................................................................. $0
   b) Technical Adjustments ........................................................................................................................ $0
   c) Emergent Requirements ...................................................................................................................... $0

FY 2022 Baseline Funding ........................................................................................................................... $0

4. Reprogrammings (Requiring 1415 Actions) .......................................................................................... $0
   a) Increases ................................................................................................................................................ $0
III. Financial Summary ($ in Thousands): (Cont.)

b) Decreases ........................................................................................................................................................................................... $0

Revised FY 2022 Estimate ........................................................................................................................................................................ $0

5. Less: Item 2, Supplemental Appropriation and Item 4, Reprogrammings ................................................................................................. $0
   a) Less: Supplemental Funding ........................................................................................................................................................... $0

FY 2022 Normalized Current Estimate ......................................................................................................................................................... $0

6. Price Change ........................................................................................................................................................................................................ $0

7. Functional Transfers .................................................................................................................................................................................. $246,259
   a) Transfers In .................................................................................................................................................................................. $246,259

   1) Centralization of Military Information Support Operations (MISO) Funding - Air Force .................. $61,912
      Transfer of MISO funding from the Air Force to establish a central funding account for allocation to combatant command programs. The ASD(SO/LIC) shall adjudicate all requests for funding to individual MISO programs from within the resources in the central funding account.

   2) Centralization of Military Information Support Operations (MISO) Funding - Army .................. $32,001
      Transfer of MISO funding from the Army to establish a central funding account for allocation to combatant command programs. The ASD(SO/LIC) shall adjudicate all requests for funding to individual MISO programs from within the resources in the central funding account.

   3) Centralization of Military Information Support Operations (MISO) Funding - Defense Wide, SOCOM ... $56,928
      Transfer of MISO funding from the US Special Operations Command to establish a central funding account for allocation to combatant command programs. The ASD(SO/LIC) shall adjudicate all requests for funding to individual MISO programs from within the resources in the central funding account.

   4) Centralization of Military Information Support Operations (MISO) Funding - Navy .................. $9,166
III. Financial Summary ($ in Thousands): (Cont.)

Transfer of MISO funding from the Navy to establish a central funding account for allocation to combatant command programs. The ASD(SO/LIC) shall adjudicate all requests for funding to individual MISO programs from within the resources in the central funding account.

5) Overseas Operations costs accounted for in the base budget ................................................................. $86,252
   Contingency operations and other theater related requirements and related mission previously funded in OCO. Detailed justification for Overseas Operations program changes are provided in the Operations and Maintenance, Defense-Wide, Volume 1 Part 2 Book.

b) Transfers Out.................................................................................................................................................... $0

8. Program Increases................................................................................................................................................. $0

   a) Annualization of New FY 2022 Program ................................................................................................. $0

   b) One-Time FY 2023 Increases .................................................................................................................. $0

   c) Program Growth in FY 2023 .................................................................................................................. $0

9. Program Decreases .......................................................................................................................................... $0

   a) Annualization of FY 2022 Program Decreases .................................................................................... $0

   b) One-Time FY 2022 Increases ................................................................................................................ $0

   c) Program Decreases in FY 2023 .............................................................................................................. $0

FY 2023 Budget Request ..................................................................................................................................... $246,259
IV. Performance Criteria and Evaluation Summary:

Performance metrics for MISO operations are under development by the OASD(SO/LIC). In lieu of performance metrics, a program summary is provided below.

The FY 2023 budget request of $246,259 thousand reflects a net increase of $60,566 thousand from the FY 2022 estimate level. The planned FY 2023 MISO activities include:

- The FY 2023 United States Africa Command (USAFRICOM) MISO request, $32,600 thousand, +$8,697 thousand net increase from the FY 2022 estimated level will support the conduct of MISO to shape the region, position the U.S. as the partner of choice, counter malign influence, and mitigate the impacts of violent extremist organizations (VEOs). USAFRICOM intends to focus efforts in decreasing Russian influence in North Africa, Chinese influence in Eastern Africa, and terrorist threats across the continent.

- The FY 2023 United States Central Command (USCENTCOM) MISO request, $100,000 thousand, +$28,959 thousand net increase from the FY 2022 estimated level will support the conduct of MISO to shape the region, promote stability and security, deter malign actors, degrade violent extremist organizations (VEOs), and strategically compete with peer or near-peer competitors in the USCENTCOM Area of Responsibility (AOR). USCENTCOM intends to focus efforts against increased Iranian influence in the region, terrorist threats emanating from Iraq, Syria, and Afghanistan, and support to partners and allies in the Middle East.

- The FY 2023 United States Cyber Command (USCYBERCOM) MISO request, $3,500 thousand, +$500 thousand net increase from the FY 2022 estimated level will support the conduct of MISO to target specific cyber actors and enablers to protect the United States, Allies, and foreign partners from adversaries' malign activities. USCYBERCOM focuses on minimizing the impact of malicious cyber actors' attempts to degrade U.S., allies, and partners’ critical infrastructure.

- The FY 2023 United States European Command (USEUCOM) request, $36,700 thousand, +$18,342 thousand net increase from the FY 2022 estimated level will support the conduct of MISO to compete with adversaries, deter Russian aggression, counter malign influence, and promote U.S. commitment to Allies and Partners. USEUCOM intends to focus efforts in the Ukraine, Baltic countries, Balkan region and our NATO allies as well as several eastern European partners.

- The FY 2023 United States Indo-Pacific Command (USINDOPACOM) MISO request, $21,059 thousand, +$12,075 thousand net increase from the FY 2022 estimated level will support the conduct of MISO to shape the region, counter PRC influence, decrease DPRK provocations, and mitigate the impacts of violent extremist organizations (VEOs). USINDOPACOM focuses efforts against terrorism in south and Southeast Asia, PRC influence across the AOR, and DPRK provocation on the Korean peninsula. USINDOPACOM works closely with their Australian and Japanese allies.

- The FY 2023 United States Northern Command (USNORTHCOM) MISO request, $2,200 thousand, +$608 thousand net increase from the FY 2022 estimated level will support the conduct of MISO to deter malign activities, reinforce the rules-based international order, counter adversary disinformation, and enhance collective defense capabilities in support of Homeland Defense objectives. USNORTHCOM MISO efforts focuses on protecting U.S. interests in the Arctic and Caribbean regions.
IV. Performance Criteria and Evaluation Summary:

- The FY 2023 United States Southern Command (USSOUTHCOM) MISO request, $11,000 thousand, +$5,191 thousand net increase from the FY 2022 estimated level will support the conduct of MISO to enable Commander, USSOUTHCOM to achieve objectives outlined in the USSOUTHCOM Campaign Plan (SCP). USSOUTHCOM will focus their efforts on strengthening partnerships, decreasing Russian, Chinese, and Iranian influence and countering transnational criminal organizations.

- The FY 2023 United States Space Command (USSPACECOM) MISO request, $2,626 thousand, +$826 thousand net increase from the FY 2022 estimated level will support the conduct of MISO to deter adversaries, assure allies and partners, and compete in the information environment (IE) with adversaries who are capable of challenging U.S. interests in space.

- The FY 2023 United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) MISO request, $34,374 thousand, -$16,632 thousand net decrease from the FY 2022 estimated level supports the synchronized planning of global operations against violent extremist organizations (VEOs), enables the trans-regional coordination and execution of MISO Web Operations, and funds its component MISO activities.

- The FY 2023 United States Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM) MISO request, $1,700 thousand, +$1,500 thousand net increase from the FY 2022 estimated level will support the conduct of MISO to deter adversaries, assure allies and partners, and compete in the information environment (IE) with adversaries who are capable of conducting strategic attacks on U.S. national security interests.

- In FY 2023, the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) request, $500 thousand, +$500 thousand net increase from the FY 2022 estimated level will support the hiring of two contracted FTEs to support the management and execution of the newly centralized MISO budget.
V. Personnel Summary:
N/A

Personnel Summary Explanations:
MISO does not include civilian Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs) or contractor costs as part of the unit’s HQs or staff.
VI. OP 32 Line Items as Applicable (Dollars in thousands):

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*FY 2021 includes Division C, Title IX and Division J, Title IV of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (P.L. 116-260).