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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY  
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SUBJECT: The DoD's Diminishing Manufacturing Sources and  
Material Shortages Centralized Data Base

DoD and industry are strongly affected by problems with  
diminishing manufacturing sources and material shortages.  
The Diminishing Manufacturing Sources and Material Shortages  
(DMSMS) Program manages these problems and enables the  
continued availability of parts and materials to maintain  
readiness of the Military Services to perform their  
missions.

In order to reduce redundancy caused by the myriad  
sources of information available to both government and  
industry and improve the effectiveness of the program, DoD  
has established the Government-Industry Data Exchange  
Program (GIDEP) as DoD's centralized data base for managing  
DMSMS information and sharing the information among DoD and  
industry groups.

U.S. and Canadian government activities and industrial  
organizations who supply items or services to the U.S. or  
Canadian government may participate in GIDEP. For  
information on how to gain access to the GIDEP data base  
contact the GIDEP Operations Center at (909) 273-4677. For  
information on the DMSMS program, contact Mr. Peter Holbrook  
of my office who may be reached at (703) 697-0345.

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