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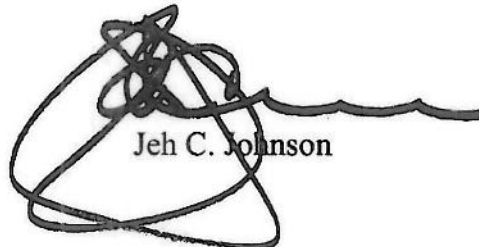
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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS  
UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR  
ACQUISITION, TECHNOLOGY AND LOGISTICS  
UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR PERSONNEL  
AND READINESS

SUBJECT: Uses of DoD Facilities

In connection with the repeal of Section 654 of Title 10 of the United States Code, I write to provide the following legal guidance.

Determinations regarding use of DoD real property and facilities for private functions, including religious and other ceremonies, should be made on a sexual-orientation neutral basis, provided such use is not prohibited by applicable state and local laws. Further, private functions are not official activities of the Department of Defense. Thus, the act of making DoD property available for private functions, including religious and other activities, does not constitute an endorsement of the activities by DoD.



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