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Personnel

EMPLOYEE AND LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

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- 1. The Air Force succeeds because of teamwork. Cooperative and constructive relationships among managers, supervisors, employees, and recognized labor organizations are essential to the team approach toward objectives. This policy directive establishes policies to encourage teamwork by promoting employee rights and efficiency, and upholding standards of proper conduct.
- **2.** Employees, according to applicable law, rule, and regulation, will have the right to organize, bargain collectively, and participate through labor organizations of their own choosing in decisions which affect them.
- 3. The Air Force will ensure applicants and employees are suitable for initial and continued employment.
- **4.** Applicants and employees will be made aware of standards of conduct and will comply with those standards.
- **5.** The Air Force will take disciplinary or adverse actions only for such cause as will promote the efficiency of the Service and not for reasons prohibited by Title 5, United States Code, Section 2302.
- **6.** The policy directive establishes the following responsibilities and authorities:
 - 6.1. The Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower, Reserve Affairs, Installations and Environment (SAF/MI) is responsible for civilian personnel policy matters as described in Air Force Policy Directive 90-1, Strategic Planning and Policy Formulation, paragraph 1.5.2. SAF/MI approval is required before this document is changed, reissued, or rescinded.
 - 6.2. The Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel (HQ USAF/DP) develops, coordinates, and executes personnel policy and approves essential procedural guidance for the management of the Employee and Labor-Management Relations Program.

- 7. This policy directive applies to employees paid from appropriated funds, except for those excluded by law or regulation, and nonappropriated funds, with the exception of employees of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, and to Air Reserve Components. It does not apply to those Air Force organizations which the President has excluded from coverage pursuant to Title 5, United States Code, Section, 7103(b)(1), and non-US citizen personnel employed at Air Force installations outside the United States, except for those in the Panama Canal area.
- **8.** See attachment 1 for measures used to comply with this policy.
- **9.** See attachment 2 for governing policies and directives implemented by this policy directive and other publications with which it interfaces.

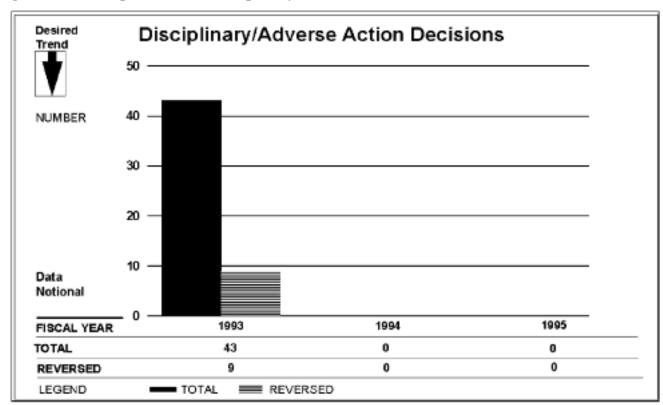
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Attachment 1

MEASURING COMPLIANCE WITH POLICY

- **A1.1.** Compliance with employee and labor relations policy will be assessed by analyzing disciplinary and adverse actions (figure A1.1).
 - A1.1.1. The policy to take disciplinary or adverse actions only for such cause as will promote the efficiency of the Service will be assessed by tracking the frequency of reversals of such actions by an arbitrator, the agency grievance system, the Merit Systems Protection Board, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and the courts.
 - A1.1.2. A reduction in the number of reversals reveals compliance with substantive and procedural requirements established by law, rule, and regulation.

Figure A1.1. Sample Metric of Disciplinary/Adverse Action Decisions.



Attachment 2

RELATED POLICIES AND INSTRUCTIONS

A2.1. This directive implements the following:

Publication Designation	Title	Date
Title 5, United States Code, Subpart F	Labor-Management and Employee Relations	Current Edition
Title 5, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 752	Adverse Actions	Current Edition
Title 5, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 2635	Principles of Ethical Conduct	Current Edition
Title 5, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 2636	Limitations on Outside Employment and Pro- hibition of Honoraria; Confidential Report- ing of Payments to Charities in Lieu of Honoraria	Current Edition
Federal Personnel Manual, Chapter 731	Personnel Suitability	September 29, 1988
Federal Personnel Manual, Chapter 732	Personnel Security	September 29, 1988
Federal Personnel Manual, Chapter 733	Political Activity of Federal Employees	June 19, 1973
Federal Personnel Manual, Chapter 735	Employee Responsibilities and Conduct	November 9, 1965
Federal Personnel Manual, Chapter 752	Adverse Actions	December 31, 1980
DoD Directive 1426.1	Labor-Management Relations in the Department of Defense	November 10, 1988
DoD Directive 5200.2	DoD Personnel Security Program	May 6, 1992
DoD 5200.2-R With Change 1	DoD Personnel Security Program	January 1987
DoD Directive 5210.42	Nuclear Weapon Personnel Reliability Program	December 6, 1985
DoD Directive 5500.7 With Changes 1 and 2	Standards of Conduct	May 6, 1987
DoD 1400.25-M, CPM711, Installment 12	Labor-Management Relations	November 10, 1988

A2.2. This directive interfaces with the following:

Publication Designation	Title	Former Publication
AFI 31-501	Personnel Security Program Management	AFRs 40-732 and 205-32
AFI 36-701	Labor Management Relations	AFR 40-711
AFI 36-704	Discipline and Adverse Actions	AFR 40-750
AFI 36-2104	Nuclear Weapons Personnel Reliability Program	AFRs 35-99 and 40-925