

**Defense Security Service
Notice to Industry and Government Stakeholders**

October 8, 2013

In accordance with the Secretary of Defense's [guidance](#) on the Pay Our Military Act (POMA), the Defense Security Service (DSS) recalled most of its workforce back to duty, to include its field workforce and has resumed limited operations. Under the terms of the recall, DSS is restricted to supporting only those Department of Defense activities that fall within the coverage of POMA.

The following DSS functions have resumed, effective Oct. 7, 2013:

- Security vulnerability assessments of cleared contractor facilities with DoD contracts.
- Advice and support to cleared contractors with DoD contracts
- Certification and accreditation of information technology systems at cleared contractors with DoD contracts
- Counterintelligence support to contractors with DoD contracts
- Processing facility clearances for companies with DoD contracts
- Processing Foreign Ownership Control or Influence actions for contractors with DoD contracts
- DSS Call Center Operations
- On-line security training
- Testing operations for the SPēD Certification Program

Cleared contractors with questions or concerns should contact their local field offices for support.

However, not all DSS operations have resumed and will not resume until either Fiscal Year 2014 appropriation, or a continuing resolution for DoD, is passed. The following DSS functions have not resumed:

- Processing requests for Personnel Security Investigations for Industry received on or after Oct. 1, 2013
- Media services
- DSS Innovation Office activities

Further information will be posted as it becomes available.