

Response Systems Panel
Role of the Commander Subcommittee
Minutes of January 13, 2014 Meeting via Teleconference

The Response Systems to Adult Sexual Assault Crimes Panel (RSP) is a federal advisory committee within the Department of Defense (DoD) operating pursuant to Section 576(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013, the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the Government in Sunshine Act of 1976, and governing federal regulations. The Role of the Commander Subcommittee of the RSP held a meeting via teleconference on January 13, 2014, to discuss and deliberate on a proposed outline, as well as proposed findings, of the Subcommittee's initial assessment of whether senior commanders should retain authority to refer cases of sexual assault to courts-martial. The teleconference began at 4:00 p.m. and concluded at 5:36 p.m. at the RSP office at 875 N. Randolph Street, Suite 150, Arlington, VA 22203. The transcript of the January 13, 2014 teleconference is incorporated herein by reference.

Participating RoC Subcommittee Members:

The Honorable Barbara S. Jones, Chair
Professor Elizabeth Hillman
Ms. Joye Frost
Colonel Lisa Turner
Vice Admiral (ret.) James Houck
Professor Geoffrey Corn
General (ret.) Carter Ham
The Honorable Elizabeth Holtzman
Major General (ret.) John Altenburg

RSP Staff Participants:

Colonel Patricia Ham, RSP Staff Director
Lieutenant Colonel Kyle Green, RoC Branch Chief

Other Participants:

Mr. William Sprance, Designated Federal Official

After the meeting was opened, the Subcommittee members reviewed two documents – a draft outline of the Subcommittee's initial assessment and proposed findings drafted by Professor Hillman. The members deliberated on the content of the two documents.

Mr. Sprance closed the meeting at 5:36 p.m.

I hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge, the foregoing minutes are accurate and complete.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara S. Jones".

Barbara S. Jones

Chair

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Attachments:

1. RoC CA Assessment - Report Outline (draft 9 Jan 14).doc
2. RoC proposed findings bh 01.13.14.doc