

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
THE ARMY DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, G-8  
AND  
THE MARINE CORPS DEPUTY COMMANDANT, PROGRAMS & RESOURCES

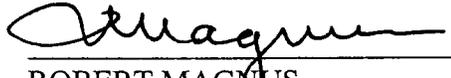
SUBJECT: Army-Marine Corps Board (AMCB) Charter

1. Purpose. To establish the Army-Marine Corps Board (AMCB).
2. Mission. The AMCB will meet periodically to identify, develop, review, and resolve issues with Army/Marine Corps concepts, capabilities, service approved requirements and programs. The AMCB results will support, not replace, the PPBE process. Program guidance documents will reflect approved program solutions for implementation in the service program builds.
3. Membership. The Army DCS G-8 and Marine Corps DC P&R co-chair the AMCB. Permanent Army members are the DCS G-3 (Requirements), TRADOC DCSDEV, and the ASAALT Military Deputy. Permanent Marine Corps members are the DC PP&O, DC CD, and MARCORSYSCOM. Other Army/Marine Corps staff will participate as specific issues require.
4. Procedures.
  - a. Issue Identification. At the start of each program planning cycle, the AMCB will develop a limited set of high level focused issues emerging from the previous POM cycle, OSD Program Review, or as a result of new internal/external initiatives. This straw-man list will be vetted through Army and Marine Corps staffs to develop a complete assessment of all significant issues.
  - b. Issue Development. The AMCB will assign issues to responsible Subject Matter Expert (SME) teams and provide guidance concerning scope, timing and desired output. These teams will then develop assessments incorporating capabilities, service approved requirements and cost.
  - c. Issue Review. AMCB issue briefings will use a two-step review process. A Council of Colonels review will convene at least three weeks prior to convening the AMCB to refine the issue briefing, then a Flag review (one/two star level) will convene two weeks prior to ensure the issue is sufficiently developed and merits three-star consideration.
  - d. Issue Resolution. SME team leaders will brief developed issues, analyzed Courses of Actions, and recommendations to the AMCB. The AMCB consensus on preferred solutions will then be recommended to the CSA and CMC for implementation in the Program of Record. Unresolved issues may be presented to the CSA and CMC for further adjudication and final resolution.
5. Staff Support. The G-8 and DC P&R staffs will support the AMCB. This support includes facilitating AMCB meetings and preparing, staffing, and distributing meeting issues/topics, read-ahead packages, minutes, and co-chair approved recommendations for headquarters actions.

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