

Appendix B
History of the Program Office

The Program Office was established in 1961 as a part of the Office of Management and Organization (OMO) within the Department of Defense. Its primary mission was to provide administrative support and coordination for the various programs and activities of the Department. Over the years, the Program Office has evolved significantly, reflecting changes in the organizational structure and the needs of the Department. In 1973, the Program Office was reorganized and its functions were expanded to include the management of the Department's financial resources. This reorganization was a result of the Department's efforts to streamline its operations and improve its financial management. The Program Office has continued to play a vital role in the Department's operations, providing essential support and coordination for its various programs and activities. Its history is a testament to its adaptability and commitment to service.