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SUBJ//DEFENSE TABLE OF OFFICIAL DISTANCES MVS END-OF-LIFE (TRAVEL TECHNICAL MESSAGE 24-02)//

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- 1. THE SURFACE DEPLOYMENT AND DISTRIBUTION COMMAND (SDDC) HAS NOTIFIED THE DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE OF A CYBER SECURITY VULNERABILITY WITH THE CURRENT MULTIPLE VIRTUAL STORAGE (MVS) WEBLINK USED FOR DEFENSE TABLE OF OFFICIAL DISTANCE (DTOD) WEB SERVICE LOOKUPS. AS A RESULT, THE CURRENT MVS WEBLINK WILL HAVE AN END-OF-LIFE (EOL) EFFECTIVE JUNE 14, 2024.
- 2. THIS VULNERABILITY AFFECTS INTEGRATED AUTOMATED TRAVEL SYSTEM (IATS) DATABASES THAT ARE CONFIGURED IN THE MAINTENANCE MODULE TO USE DTOD WEB SERVICE.
- 3. DFAS HAS ADDRESSED THIS MVS EOL ISSUE IN IATS VERSION 8.6 BY PROGRAMMING THE NEW WEBLINK UTILIZING WEB SERVICES DESCRIPTION LANGUAGE (WSDL) FOR DTOD WEB SERVICE DATA REQUESTS. INSTALLATION OF IATS 8.6 WILL AUTOMATICALLY UPDATE THE DTOD WEB SERVICE URL IN MAINTENANCE TO HTTPS://DTOD-SERVICE.TRANSPORT.MIL/DTODSERVICE.ASMX.
- 4. THE DTOD WEB SERVICE FIX IN IATS 8.6 GOES FURTHER THAN JUST UPDATING THE URL IN THE MAINTENANCE MODULE. HARDCODED PROGRAMMING HAS BEEN MODIFIED TO POINT TO THE NEW WEB SERVICE LOCATION TO RETRIEVE OFFICIAL DISTANCES.
- 5. DFAS EXPECTS TO FINALIZE IATS VERSION 8.6 NO LATER THAN JUNE 10, 2024, SO SITES CAN UPGRADE THEIR DATABASES IN ADVANCE OF THE DTOD MVS TERMINATION.
- 6. FOR SITES THAT DO NOT UPGRADE TO IATS VERSION 8.6 BEFORE THE DTOD MVS IS TERMINATED ON JUNE 14, 2024, BE ADVISED THAT DTOD WEB SERVICE WILL NOT WORK, REPEAT, WILL NOT WORK WITH ANY OLDER IATS VERSIONS.
- 7. SITES THAT CANNOT OR DO NOT INSTALL 8.6 BEFORE THE DTOD MVS IS TERMINATED, A SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR CAN MANUALLY DISABLE THE "ACTIVATE DTOD WEB SERVICE" OPTION IN THEIR DATABASE CONFIGURATION BY FOLLOWING THESE STEPS:
  - A. LOG INTO IATS
  - B. GO INTO THE MAINTENANCE VIEW
  - C. CLICK "CONFIGURATION/BASE PARAMETERS"
  - D. CLICK "CONFIGURATION"
- E. IN THE SYSTEM DESCRIPTION SECTION, UNCHECK "ACTIVATE DTOD WEB SERVICE"
  - F. CLICK "OK"

- 8. ONCE THE "ACTIVATE DTOD WEB SERVICE" OPTION IS UNCHECKED, IATS WILL POINT TO THE USERS' LOCALLY INSTALLED INSTANCE OF THE DTOD SOFTWARE ON THEIR COMPUTER AND POPULATE THE MILEAGE AMOUNTS AUTOMATICALLY IN THE ITINERARY.
- 9. THE DFAS IATS PROGRAM MANAGEMENT OFFICE WILL SEND OUT ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS TO SITES ON HOW TO INSTALL DTOD ON USERS' LOCAL COMPUTERS, AS WELL AS HOLD A FEW OFFICE HOURS SESSIONS FOR ONLINE HELP DESK SUPPORT. EMAIL COMMUNICATIONS WITH DATES AND TIMES OF ONLINE HELP DESK SUPPORT WILL BE COMING SOON.
- $10.\ POC$  FOR THIS MESSAGE AND THE IATS PROCEDURES CONTAINED WITHIN IS THE IATS HELP DESK AT 317-212-7718 OR

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