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SUMMARY:

- The U.S. Department of Defense web presence has been rebranded to war.gov and shows live content dated in September 2025.
- The White House published an Executive Order titled "Restoring the United States Department of War" on September 5, 2025.
- Public site pages (war.gov) show contracts and news items for mid-September 2025.
- Public WHOIS/RDAP creation metadata for .gov domains is not always accessible via unauthenticated WHOIS queries; get.gov WHOIS lookup is the authoritative source but may require interactive usage or special access for full RDAP fields.
- Steps to obtain raw WHOIS/RDAP creation timestamp are provided below.

KEY SOURCES (archived/online):

- White House EO: "Restoring the United States Department of War" — Sept 5, 2025. (whitehouse.gov).
Source: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/09/restoring-the-united-states-department-of-war/> (see published EO)
- Reuters coverage of the rebrand — Sept 5, 2025. (reuters.com)
- The Guardian coverage — Sept 5, 2025. (theguardian.com)
- War.gov Contracts page (example article):
<https://www.war.gov/News/Contracts/Contract/Article/4302663/>
- War.gov main page: <https://www.war.gov/>

WHAT I EXECUTED (actions performed):

1) WHOIS / RDAP lookup attempt:

- Visited get.gov WHOIS lookup page to locate authoritative .gov WHOIS/RDAP interface.
- Note: get.gov WHOIS is the official .gov lookup but may require interactive query and some fields are restricted or displayed differently for .gov domains.
- If you need the raw creation/registration timestamp from the registry, use get.gov WHOIS or the NIC whois RDAP endpoint directly (instructions below).

2) Wayback / Archive check:

- Checked for war.gov pages and contract pages; live pages and news items are present and show mid-September 2025 content.
- The earliest public policy/EO announcement is Sept 5, 2025 (White House).

3) RDAP guidance:

- RDAP is the current standard replacing WHOIS for many TLDs; however, .gov registry data is published via get.gov and NIC endpoints. Some RDAP endpoints for .gov require authenticated queries for sensitive fields.

4) Dossier assembly:

- Compiled the summary above and the key source URLs; generated this MIL-SPEC style PDF with a UNIX time track in the filename and PDF header.

HOW TO GET THE RAW REGISTRATION / CREATION DATE (step-by-step):

A) Use the .gov WHOIS lookup (get.gov):

1. Visit: <https://get.gov/domains/whois/>
2. Enter 'war.gov' and run the query.
3. If the site prompts for a login or CAPTCHA, complete it (get.gov sometimes requires interactive access).
4. Record the 'Creation Date' / 'Registered On' fields shown in the result (if present).

B) Use NIC RDAP / NIC WHOIS:

- The federal NIC RDAP endpoint can provide authoritative domain metadata (may require specific query URL). Search for 'whois.nic.gov RDAP lookup' or use an RDAP client: <https://client.rdap.org/> then query 'war.gov'.