MIL-SPEC DOSSIER: war.gov INVESTIGATION - FULL PACKAGE

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SUMMARY & TIMELINE

Summary:

- White House Executive Order 'Restoring the United States Department of War' published Sept 5, 2025.
- war.gov site pages and contracts published mid-September 2025.
- Public RDAP/WHOIS data for .gov domains may require interactive get.gov queries or authenticated RDAP calls; automated fetch attempts via web.run encountered access limitations.

Timeline (key dates):

- Sept 5, 2025: EO published (whitehouse.gov).
- Sept 5-13, 2025: News outlets report Pentagon/White House rebranding and site activity.
- Sept 12-15, 2025: war.gov News/Contracts pages show live content.

RDAP / WHOIS: SCRIPTED QUERY EXAMPLES (what to run locally)

Use these commands on your local terminal (they query public RDAP/WHOIS endpoints). Running these retrieves RDAP JSON or WHOIS text if the registry exposes creation fields.

- RDAP (via public RDAP client): curl -L 'https://rdap.org/domain/war.gov'
- 2) Direct NIC RDAP endpoint (if available): curl -L 'https://rdap.nic.gov/domain/war.gov'
- 3) get.gov WHOIS web UI (interactive): Visit: https://get.gov/domains/whois/ and enter 'war.gov'

Notes

- Some RDAP endpoints implement differentiated access; fields like 'events' or 'registration' may be limited or require specific query parameters.
- If curl returns HTML or a login/CAPTCHA page, use a browser to complete interactive steps.
- Save the raw JSON output (redirect to file):
 curl -L 'https://rdap.org/domain/war.gov' -o war_gov_rdap.json

If you want, paste the war_gov_rdap.json here and I will parse it and add it into an updated dossier appendix.

WAYBACK / ARCHIVE: EARLIEST SNAPSHOT PROCESS

I attempted to query the Wayback Machine programmatically but encountered access limits from this environment. Here are exact steps you can run now to capture earliest snapshots:

- 1) Visit: https://web.archive.org/web/*/war.gov
 - The page lists all captures; note the earliest date shown.
- 2) Click the earliest capture and save a full-page screenshot (or use the 'Save Page' button).
- 3) Download the screenshot(s) and filename them as 'war_gov_wayback_YYYYMMDD.png'.

Automated Wayback query example (local machine): curl

'http://web.archive.org/cdx/search/cdx?url=war.gov&output=json&fl=timestamp,original&limit=1' -o earliest_capture.json

Parse earliest timestamp (first array entry after header) and then fetch the snapshot: curl 'https://web.archive.org/web/TIMESTAMP/https://war.gov' -o war_gov_earliest.html

Paste any saved screenshots here and I'll assemble them into the dossier appendix.

ONE-PAGE EVIDENCE POSTER (PRINT READY) - Layout & Copy

Poster Title (Top, bold): WAR.GOV — TIMELINE OF SWITCH Subtitle: Executive Order Published Sept 5, 2025 | site active mid-Sept 2025 Body (center):

- White House EO: 'Restoring the United States Department of War' Sept 5, 2025
- Earliest Wayback snapshot: [PLACEHOLDER for earliest capture date]
- Contracts page active: example Contracts dated Sept 12, 2025 (war.gov/news/contracts) Callout box (right): 'How to verify: get.gov WHOIS / RDAP JSON / Wayback snapshots' Footer (left): 'For evidence & FOIA template, see dossier.' Design notes:
- Use high-contrast (matte black background, white text, blood-red accents)
- Include screenshots and URL QR codes to the EO & earliest Wayback capture
- Export at 3072x4608 px, 300 DPI with 0.125" bleed for print.

FOIA REQUEST TEMPLATE (for .gov registry OR Department of War)

Use this as a starting template. Send to the .gov registry (General Services Administration) or the Department of War FOIA office. Adapt names, addresses, and contact details.

[Your Name] [Your Address] [City, State ZIP] [Email] [Phone]

Date: [Insert Date]

FOIA Request to: General Services Administration / Department of War

Dear FOIA Officer,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I hereby request access to and copies of records concerning the registration and delegation of the domain name 'war.gov', including but not limited to:

- 1. The RDAP/WHOIS registry record (raw JSON or equivalent) showing the domain creation date, registrar, sponsoring organization, and any event history for 'war.gov'.
- 2. Records, communications, or approvals concerning the delegation or transfer of 'war.gov' to the Department of War (or any other federal agency), including authorization memos, emails, and legal opinions.
- 3. DNS zone change logs showing the first public DNS A/AAAA/CNAME records for 'war.gov'.
- 4. Any internal guidance or policy documents related to establishing 'war.gov' as a federal domain name.

If there are fees for fulfilling this request, please inform me in advance. I request a waiver of fees as disclosure is in the public interest and will contribute significantly to public understanding of government operations.

If you withhold any portion of the requested records, please cite the specific exemption(s) and provide segregable portions of the records. I request expedited processing on the basis that the information concerns public safety and urgent public interest; please contact me if you require additional justification.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

LIMITATIONS & NEXT STEPS

- Automated RDAP/WHOIS queries from this environment encountered access limitations; I could not retrieve raw registry 'creation' JSON here.
- Next steps I can do for you if you provide the RDAP JSON or Wayback screenshots:
 - * Parse the RDAP JSON and append raw fields to the dossier
 - * Embed Wayback screenshots into the dossier appendix
 - * Produce a printable one-page poster PNG/PDF with screenshots & QR codes
 - * Finalize a FOIA-ready PDF cover letter and submission packet

If you want me to proceed now, upload any RDAP JSON or Wayback screenshots you collect (or say 'I want me to try again' and I will attempt another automated RDAP query).