

#MissionPentagon: A Strategic Framework for Full Financial Accountability at the Department of Defense

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1. Introduction

The Department of Defense (DoD), steward of the largest discretionary budget in the United States government, must meet the highest standards of financial transparency and accountability. Yet as of 2025, the DoD has never passed a full audit, and systemic issues continue to undermine the integrity of its financial operations.

#MissionPentagon is a strategic initiative designed to remedy this. It aims to modernize defense financial systems, eradicate waste and corruption, and ensure that every dollar is tracked, justified, and reported in accordance with democratic principles and national security imperatives.

2. Strategic Objectives

2.1 1. Achieve a Clean Annual Audit

- Modernize all accounting systems across defense branches.
- Utilize AI and blockchain to enable continuous, automated auditing.
- Require clean, complete audit opinions for all DoD components.

2.2 2. End Financial Loopholes and Black Budgets

- Eliminate unauditable funds and off-the-books programs.
- Strengthen compliance with the Anti-Deficiency Act and FFATA.
- Mandate oversight of Special Access Programs (SAPs) by Congress and the GAO.

2.3 3. Establish Real-Time Transparency

- Launch a secure, public-facing DoD financial portal.
- Publish all non-classified budgets and contracts in machine-readable formats.
- Promote civil society engagement and third-party auditing.

2.4 4. Institute a Zero-Tolerance Corruption Framework

- Create an autonomous Pentagon Whistleblower Protection Office.
- Investigate revolving-door contractor relationships and inflated pricing models.
- Hold all financial officers and contractors to rigorous ethical standards.

3. Conclusion

#MissionPentagon calls for a unified effort to restore integrity and intelligence to defense finance. This is not only a matter of fiscal policy—it is a moral and strategic imperative. In an era of global transformation, the Department of Defense must lead not just in strength, but in truth.