# MS 620 Direct Hire Merit Selection and Promotion Procedures

Effective Date: February 10, 2014

**Responsible Office:** Office of Human Resources (HR)

#### Attachment

Attachment A – Applicant Selection/Veteran Passover Memo (PC-2113)

## 1.0 Vacancy Announcements

## 1.1 Vacancy Announcement Informational Requirements

Each vacancy announcement must include the following information at a minimum:

- (a) Announcement number;
- (b) Application procedures;
- (c) Title, series, grade/class and location (geographic and organizational) of position;
- (d) Salary range;
- (e) Opening and closing dates, if applicable;
- (f) Promotion potential of the position;
- (g) Description of duties;
- (h) Required and desired qualifications;
- (i) Area of consideration and a statement as to relocation expenses; and
- (j) Number of positions.

## 1.2 Vacancy Announcement Required Standardized Recruitment Information

Vacancy Announcements must also include the following standardized recruitment information:

- (a) Applicants must be citizens of the United States;
- (b) Applicants will receive consideration regardless of his or her race; color; religion; sex; national origin; age; disability; genetic information; sexual orientation; gender identity; gender expression; marital status; status as a parent, political affiliation, union membership, or history of participation in either the equal employment opportunity process or any grievance procedure;

- (c) Applicants may not have been associated with certain intelligence activities; and
- (d) Acceptance of employment with Peace Corps precludes employment by certain intelligence organizations for a specified period of time, determined jointly by the Peace Corps and the employing agency, after Peace Corps employment ceases.

### 1.3 Time Limitations

Vacancy announcements may either be "time-specific" or "open continuous" depending upon the needs of the selecting office and requirements of the vacant position.

## 1.3.1 Time-specific Vacancy Announcement

A time-specific vacancy announcement has an opening and closing date. Applications for positions must be received by the closing date of a vacancy announcement. Additional selections may be made from time-specific vacancy announcements within 12 months after the roster has been issued.

## 1.3.2 Open Continuous Vacancy Announcement

An open continuous vacancy announcement has no definite closing date. Positions may be considered for open continuous posting if:

- (a) Position vacancies occur with such frequency that it is more efficient to avoid announcing each vacancy separately; or
- (b) Recruitment for particular skills is difficult and open continuous posting will aid in attracting applications from applicants with hard-to-find knowledge/skills.

# 2.0 Review and Screening of Applications

The Office of Human Resources (HR) will review and screen applications for open continuous postings as they are received.

### 3.0 Rosters

Rosters will be provided to the selecting office upon request.

### 4.0 Documentation of the Selection

A record sufficient to recreate the critical events and decisions of each recruitment action shall be kept by the HR for a period of 3 years from the selection date. Each record must include:

- (a) the Applicant Selection/Veteran Passover PC Form 2113 from the selecting official;
- (b) a copy of the vacancy announcement;

- (c) all applications and resumes submitted;
- (d) a copy of the roster; and
- (e) a copy of the position description.