



**AIR FORCE ATTACHE AFFAIRS OFFICE  
(AFAAO)**

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**1. Mission.** The Air Force Attache Affairs Office (AFAAO) manages the selection and nomination of Air Force Officers and NCOs assigned to duty in the Defense Attache System (DAS), provides Washington DC Orientation for Air Force Security Assistance Organization (SAO) Personnel, provides oversight of the AF International Personnel Exchange Program (PEP), and manages the Washington DC portion of the DoD Informational Program for International Military Students (IMS).

**2. Command.** The AFAAO Division Chief:

2.1. Is responsible to the Deputy Under Secretary of the Air Force, International Affairs (SAF/IA).

**3. Responsibilities.**

3.1. Organizes Phase III (DC Area) Orientation and nominates AF members to key SAO positions.

3.2. Monitors selection and training of all Air Force Personnel assigned to the DAS.

3.3. Serves as the Air Force focal point and provides representational support for DAS and PEP personnel.

3.4. Conducts periodic regional U.S. Air Attache and worldwide PEP conferences.

3.5. Ensures that Air Force personnel and their families serving in the DAS and PEP are adequately supported abroad.

3.6. Negotiates changes in PEP position allocations between Foreign Embassies and affected MAJCOM or MAJCOM equivalent organizations.

3.7. Negotiates new and amended PEP agreements with other nations and military departments.

3.8. Organizes tours and directs luncheons for IMSs attending military training in the U.S. or participating in an orientation tour arranged under Security Assistance Training Program (SATP) sponsorship.

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