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B. Program Change Summary ($ in Millions)

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B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs ($ in Millions)

**Title:** Applied Research for the Advancement of S&T Priorities

**Description:** The S&T priorities include: Electronic Warfare (EW), Human Systems, Counter Weapons of Mass Destruction (CWMD), Engineered Resilient Systems (ERS), Data to Decisions (D2D), Autonomy, and Cybersecurity.

**FY 2014 Plans:**
Conduct concept exploration efforts that focus on the seven S&T priority areas. Challenge areas within the priorities include:

**Electronic Warfare:**
- Spatial and spectral parameters
- Integrated, network-enabled EW systems
- Electronic protection measures

**Human Systems:**
- System interfaces
- Social and cultural understanding
- Personnel and training
- Protection and sustainment
### B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs ($ in Millions)

#### Counter Weapons of Mass Destruction:
- Systems integration
- Activity recognition
- Advanced signature detection and tracking
- Advanced radiation detection

#### Engineered Resilient Systems:
- Systems analysis methods and tools
- Early concept engineering techniques
- Advanced architecture and design analysis techniques
- New approaches to analysis and testing
- Methods and tools for more robust designs
- Advanced algorithms

#### Data to Decisions:
- Enhanced images
- Temporal and text analytics
- Better software architectures
- Improved algorithms for data fusion
- Improved understanding of user interactions

#### Autonomy:
- Machine reasoning and intelligence
- Human/autonomous systems interaction and collaboration
- Scalable Teaming of Autonomous systems
- Testing and Evaluation and Verification and Validation

#### Cyber:
- Mission assurance and effectiveness
- Operating securely in an insecure world
- Reinventing cyber technology foundations

**FY 2015 Plans:**
### B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs ($ in Millions)

Continue to conduct concept exploration efforts that focus on the S&T priority areas. In FY 2015, the challenge areas within the priorities include:

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**Title:** S&T Focus Areas  
**Description:** The S&T Focus Areas task facilitates cooperation and collaboration among Components and optimizes development of selected S&T efforts across the DoD enterprise. Select technology areas are examined and projects are initiated to address gaps or opportunities. FY 2014 focus areas are: Advanced Materials; Energy and Power; Weapons; Command, Control, and Communications and Networks; Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance; Counter-Improvised Explosive Devices; and Biomedical.

**FY 2014 Plans:**  
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**Accomplishments/Planned Programs Subtotals**  
- 37.984  
9.926

**C. Other Program Funding Summary ($ in Millions)**  
N/A

**Remarks**

**D. Acquisition Strategy**  
N/A

**E. Performance Metrics**  
Project performance metrics specific to each effort are identified in the project plans established by the Priority Steering Councils and Focus Area leads. Individual project success will be monitored through these metrics.