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Daily Media Clips

July 20, 2018

The Section 809 Panel is a congressionally mandated panel designed to be a catalyst that restores agility and simplicity to defense acquisition through bold and effective recommendations.

Good morning! We found several articles that you may be interested in. Have a great weekend.

Acquisition Professionals Place Little Importance on Innovation, Survey Finds
July 19, 2018 | Frank Konkel

The federal government's procurement professionals are bullish about improvements to federal acquisition, according to survey released Wednesday, but it definitely isn't because they're high on innovation.

Rather, the ninth biennial Acquisition Policy Survey, compiled by the Professional Services Council and Grant Thornton Public Sector, found recurring challenges such as budget instability, hiring difficulties and onerous regulatory burdens were offset by improvements to the human quotient of the acquisition workforce.

The government sought to hire up acquisition professionals in recent years, and that talent is now more seasoned, skilled and "a little more experienced," according to PSC Executive Vice President and Counsel Alan Chvotkin.

"Some optimism comes from having a better understanding of their job," Chvotkin told reporters Wednesday.

Read more HERE.

Other Articles of Interest

Changes are coming to professional services thanks to contract management
July 20, 2018 | David Thornton

Leonardo DRS Chief Talks T-X Competition, Other Industry Trends
July 19, 2018 | Jon Harper

America has sold more weapons in six months than in all of 2017
July 19, 2018 | Aaron Mehta

'Money is the elephant in the room' hindering progress for UK defense program
July 19, 2018 | Andrew Chuter

Video: Buying bombs: How can industry ensure the health of weapons supply chains?
July 19, 2018 | Defense News

The Army is one step closer to fielding a next-generation weapon sight
July 19, 2018 | Todd South

The shrinking federal workforce
July 19, 2018 | Jeff Neal

NATO's Real Spending Emergency Is in Cyberspace
July 18, 2018 | James Stavridis and Dave Weinstein

Trump's 'America First' Policy Could Leave U.S. Defense Industry Behind
July 18, 2018 | Lara Seligman

Section 809 News

We have a new Bold Bites Podcast: LISTEN!
Commissioner Joseph Dyer discusses Characteristics of Successful Programs, which is identifying the attributes and qualities common to successful programs, with an eye toward techniques, tools, and practices that can be widely employed.

Be sure to check out the Section 809 Panel Volume 2 Report.

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