The Defense Acquisition System
(http://akss.dau.mil/dag/)

**Purpose:** A tool to manage the Nation’s investments in technologies, programs, and product support necessary to achieve the National Security Strategy and support the United States Armed Forces.

**Fundamental Principles and Procedures**

1. **DoD Directive 5000.01;** (05-12-2003 & confirmed 11-20-2007)
   SUBJECT: The Defense Acquisition System
   May 12, 2003; Current as of November 20, 2007

2. **DoD Instruction 5000.02;** (12-08-2008)
   SUBJECT: Operation of the Defense Acquisition System

3. **The Defense Acquisition Guidebook** (interim)
   Provides discretionary best practices that should be tailored to the needs of each program.