

## **RECOMMENDATION 102215-2**

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### **FULL TEXT:**

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The set of core principles should begin with a strong mission statement that expands upon the one in current Directive 1010.00. [The proposed text for incorporation into the revised directive is set forth below.]

The set of core principles should include at least the following:

- a. A comprehensive statement which emphasizes the primacy of de-escalation as a tool to avoid or reduce the need for force;
- b. A comprehensive statement that only a level of force which is objectively reasonable, necessary under the the facts and circumstances, and proportionate to the threat or resistance of a subject is authorized [The proposed text for incorporation in the revised directive is set forth below.]; and
- c. Objectively unreasonable, unnecessary and/or disproportionate uses of force and/or other violations of the directive shall result in corrective action and/or discipline, up to and including termination.