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RE: Comments on the UOCAVA Pilot Program Testing Requirements

1. As a U.S. citizen qualified to vote, I object to pilot programs which would test returning **LIVE** voted ballots using the present Internet in **ACTUAL** elections. Such pilot projects should be conducted in only in **MOCK** elections until state and county voting jurisdictions can conduct elections on an internet which is actually secure. Why should federal elections be subjected to including a system of voting which has not been conclusively proven to be secure, hence unnecessarily jeopardizing the integrity of the election and even possibly influencing which candidate won the election?

2. I also object to the DOD being in charge of pilot projects conducted with LIVE ballots in ACTUAL elections. The military is not an appropriate body to be involved in the conduct of elections. Aside from this basic consideration, the DOD does not have a history of serving the overseas voter well in the previous decade.

3. Internet voting should be tested in mock elections, but as ones that are put to the challenges which real elections would face. Among other tests, they should be subjected to hacking by any parties who might try to hack internet voting in real elections. Furthermore, the testing should not be conducted by vendors who have a stake in the outcome, as this would constitute a conflict of interest; or by Voting System Testing Labs who are paid by the vendors.

4. Testing should be conducted with maximum independent public oversight.