§ 1056a. Reintegration of recovered Department of Defense personnel; post-isolation support activities for other recovered personnel

(a) Reintegration and Support Authorized.— The Secretary of Defense may carry out the following:

(1) Reintegration activities for recovered persons who are Department of Defense personnel.
(2) Post-isolation support activities for or on behalf of other recovered persons who are officers or employees of the United States Government, military or civilian officers or employees of an allied or coalition partner of the United States, or other United States or foreign nationals.

(b) Activities Authorized.—

(1) The activities authorized by subsection (a) for or on behalf of a recovered person may include the following:

(A) The provision of food, clothing, necessary medical support, and essential sundry items for the recovered person.
(B) In accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, travel and transportation allowances for not more than three family members, or other designated individuals, determined by the commander or head of a military medical treatment facility to be beneficial for the reintegration of the recovered person and whose presence may contribute to improving the physical and mental health of the recovered person.
(C) Transportation or reimbursement for transportation in connection with the attendance of the recovered person at events or functions determined by the commander or head of a military medical treatment facility to contribute to the physical and mental health of the recovered person.

(2) Medical support may be provided under paragraph (1)(A) to a recovered person who is not a member of the armed forces for not more than 20 days.

(c) Definitions.— In this section:

(1) The term “post-isolation support”, in the case of a recovered person, means—

(A) the debriefing of the recovered person following a separation as described in paragraph (2);
(B) activities to promote or support the physical and mental health of the recovered person following such a separation; and
(C) other activities to facilitate return of the recovered person to military or civilian life as expeditiously as possible following such a separation.

(2) The term “recovered person” means an individual who is returned alive from separation (whether as an individual or a group) while participating in or in association with a United States-sponsored military activity or mission in which the individual was detained in isolation or held in captivity by a hostile entity.

(3) The term “reintegration”, in the case of a recovered person, means—

(A) the debriefing of the recovered person following a separation as described in paragraph (2);
(B) activities to promote or support for the physical and mental health of the recovered person following such a separation; and
(C) other activities to facilitate return of the recovered person to military duty or employment with the Department of Defense as expeditiously as possible following such a separation.