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You agree not to: (a) post, disseminate or transmit any worm, viruses or other harmful, disruptive or destructive files, code or programs via or through the GXM Service; (b) use Internet Relay Chat (IRC) bots via this GXM Service (*i.e.*, programs that utilize excessive resources by connecting to an IRC network and running 24 hours per day); (c) hinder the ability of others to use IRC; (d) disrupt the GXM Service or the normal flow on this GXM Service of dialogue or otherwise act in a manner that negatively affects other users' ability to engage in real time exchanges; (e) run any program on the GXM Service that makes a service or resource available to others, including, but not limited to, port redirectors, proxy servers, chat servers or simulated multi-user environments; (f) interfere with, disrupt, or harm in any way the GXM Service or the servers or networks used in connection with it; (g) run programs or specifically configure machines in such a way as to keep a connection active when not in use or otherwise bypass automatic disconnection for inactivity, unless a dedicated access account is provided; (h) use the GXM Service in violation of the rules of any other website providers, websites, chat rooms or the like; (i) use the GXM Service to access the accounts of others without permission; (i) attempt to penetrate security measures of GXM or another entity, or obtain or bypass others' passwords; and (k) engage in denial of service attacks (i.e., actions designed to impair network access by flooding the GXM Service with useless traffic).

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  Service, which are readily accessible to the public. Not surprisingly, that information
  includes, among other things, technical information, operation plans, troop movement
  schedules, current and future locations of military units and ships, descriptions of overseas
  bases, details of weapons system, or discussions of areas frequented by service members
  overseas. Other information that's not as obvious but should also not be discussed in an
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and results of operations. Any of these topics, if released in an open medium, have the ability to provide our adversaries opportunities to harm our military members;

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- Adding content that is not intended for, or inaccurate for, a designated field;
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- Misrepresenting your affiliations with a person or entity, past or present;
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- Creating a profile for anyone other than yourself (a real person);
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- Harassing, abusing or harming another person;
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- Scraping or copying profiles and information of others through any means (including crawlers, browser plugins and add-ons, and any other technology or manual work);
- Posting any unsolicited messages or unauthorized advertising, "junk mail," "spam," "chain letters," "pyramid schemes," or any other form of unauthorized solicitation;
- Posting anything that contains software viruses, worms, or any other harmful code;
- Manipulating identifiers in order to disguise the origin of any message or post transmitted through the GXM Service;
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- Removing, covering or obscuring any advertisement included on the GXM Service;
- Sharing or disclosing information of others without their express consent;
- Using manual or automated software, devices, scripts robots, other means or processes to access, "scrape," "crawl" or "spider" the GXM Service or any related data or information;



- Using bots or other automated methods to access the GXM Service, add or download contacts, send or redirect messages;
- Monitoring the GXM Service's availability, performance or functionality for any competitive purpose;
- Engaging in "framing," "mirroring," or otherwise simulating the appearance or function of the GXM Service;
- Accessing the GXM Service except through the interfaces expressly provided by GXM;
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- Interfering with the operation of, or place an unreasonable load on, the GXM Service (e.g., spam, denial of service attack, viruses, gaming algorithms).

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### **Passwords and Your Obligations**

You may be asked to register as a member on certain pages or services within the GXM Service and to select a unique username and password in order to be able to access your account and use parts of the GXM Service. As a registered member, you are responsible for maintaining the confidentiality and security of your username and password and shall be responsible for all uses of your username and password, whether or not in fact authorized by you. You agree to immediately notify GXM in writing of any breach of security, including, without limitation, unauthorized use of your username or password. You also understand that exiting immediately from your account (*i.e.*, "logging off") at the end of each session will enhance your account security and that failure to do so may permit other persons having access to your computer to use, or modify, your account. If you permit any person to use your username and password, you shall be liable for all activity and transactions made by that person including transactions for which you may not have authorized.

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### Security

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- Members' rights to further re-share content and information you shared through the GXM Service to the extent copied or re-shared prior to termination;
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# **Miscellaneous Provisions**

# **Additional Fees**

You shall immediately notify GXM in writing if you know or have reason to believe that GXM has been or will be required, as a result of activity arising out of or related to these Terms or your use of the GXM Service by any court or administrative agency of the United States or any state or by any legal process to respond to any subpoena, search warrant, discovery or other directive under the authority of such court, administrative agency, governmental inquiry or process in connection with any proceeding or investigation in which you or any of your affiliates, officers, directors, agents, employees, or subcontractors is involved. Whether or not such notice is given by you, you shall directly assist GXM in GXM's attempt to reduce the burdens of compliance with any such directives, and you shall reimburse GXM for any and all reasonable expenses incurred by GXM in complying with any such directive, including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees.

# **Order of Preference**

These Terms govern your use and access to the GXM Service. These Terms do not modify, alter or amend any other specific agreement you have entered or will enter into with GXM, including, without limitation, any Customer Agreement. To the extent that any provision of these Terms, or any supplemental agreement offered as any part of any registration for additional services on this GXM Service, conflicts with any provision of your other agreements with GXM, the terms and conditions of such other agreement shall, take precedence over the conflicting term(s) and conditions of these Terms.



# Links to Other Websites

The GXM Service contains links to other websites ("Third-Party Sites") controlled or offered by third parties (non-affiliates of GXM). GXM is not responsible for the content, accuracy or opinions expressed on such Third-Party Sites and such sites are not investigated, monitored or checked for accuracy or completeness by GXM. GXM hereby disclaims any and all liability for, any information, materials, and products or services posted or offered at any of the Third-Party

Sites. By creating a link to Third-Party Sites, GXM does not endorse or recommend any products or services offered or information contained at Third-Party Sites, nor is GXM liable for any failure of products and services offered or advertised at those sites. Such third parties may have a privacy policy different from that of GXM and Third-Party Sites may provide less security than GXM.

### **Revisions and Consents**

GXM reserves the right to revise these Terms at any time and for no or any reason whatsoever. GXM also reserves the right to make changes at any time, without notice or obligation, to any of the information, products or services contained on or offered through the GXM Service. Such updates, revisions, supplements, modifications and additional rules, policies, terms and conditions shall be effective immediately and incorporated in these Terms upon notice thereof, which may be given by any reasonable means, including, but not limited to, posting such changes on this GXM Service or via electronic notice as described above. By continuing to access this GXM Service, you acknowledge and agree that you shall be bound by such revisions. Accordingly, you should periodically review the Terms.

### **Entire Agreement**

These Terms constitute the entire agreement between you and GXM with respect to the subject matter addressed herein, and govern your access to, and use of, the GXM Service, superseding any prior agreements between you and GXM relating to such subject matter, but these Terms may be supplemented by any Customer Agreement.

# Arbitration

Except for the failure to pay any fees and/or disputes concerning a breach of the scope of the license granted herein, any other dispute arising out of, relating to or in any way connected with these Terms, shall be submitted to final and binding arbitration before a single arbitrator. If the parties are unable to agree on an arbitrator within thirty (30) days after a party has served notice of a request to arbitrate, then an arbitrator shall be selected by the American Arbitration Association pursuant to its then-current rules, within fifteen (15) days after the parties are unable to agree on the arbitrator. Arbitration shall take place in Virginia in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the American Arbitration Association (Commercial Division).



# **Attorney Fees**

Should any suit be commenced to enforce GXM's rights and in the event GXM is successful, you agree to pay GXM's expenses and attorney's fees incurred.

# Trademarks

Any and all trademarks displayed within the GXM Service are owned by GXM, its licensors or its affiliates. Nothing in these Terms should be construed as transferring any aspects of such rights to you or to any third party.

# Confidentiality

Subject to any Customer Agreement, at all times during the term hereof and at all times thereafter, you shall keep confidential and not disclose, directly or indirectly, and shall not use for the benefit of yourself, or any other individual or entity, any Confidential Information of GXM. "Confidential Information" means any type of information or material disclosed by GXM that is unique, confidential or proprietary to GXM or its licensors related to the business or activities of GXM that are not generally known to others engaged in similar businesses or activities including, without limitation, information which relates to research, development, trade secrets, know-how, inventions, invention records, technical data, computer software, programming, concepts, designs, drawings, procedures, processes, equipment, reports, manuals, documentation, manufacture, purchasing, accounting, engineering, marketing, merchandising and selling, pricing, customer lists, business plans or strategies, third party information in GXM's possession, all parts of the GXM Service and any other materials or information whether in written, digital, oral or other form.

# **Privacy Policy**

GXM realizes that you are concerned about how the information you provide online will be used. GXM has a Privacy Policy that discloses what information GXM collects about you, how GXM uses such information, the steps GXM takes to secure such information, how you can view and correct such information and how you can decline to have such information about you collected or used. The Privacy Policy is available on this GXM Service and is incorporated herein by this reference. Please read our Privacy Policy for more details. A copy of GXM's current Privacy Policy can be found in the footer of each web page for review.

# Jurisdiction

These Terms are executed or agreed to in Virginia and shall be governed by, and interpreted in accordance with, the laws of Virginia, without regard to principles of conflict of laws and without application of the Uniform Computer Information Transaction Act and the United Nations Convention of Controls for International Sale of Goods. Except as otherwise provided herein, you agree that regardless of any statute or law to the contrary, any claim or cause of action arising out



of or related to use of the GXM Service, and purchases of products and/or services through the GXM Service must be filed within one (1) year after such claim or cause of action arose or be forever barred, and you expressly waive any other statute of limitations which otherwise may apply. Subject to the foregoing arbitration terms and conditions, you agree that the exclusive jurisdiction for any action, special proceeding or other proceeding that may be brought arising out of, in connection with, or by reason of these Terms, shall be the courts located in Virginia or the United States District Court for Virginia for resolution of any dispute, action or proceeding arising in connection with these Terms, purchase of products/services or your use or non-use of the GXM Service.

YOU WAIVE ALL RIGHTS TO TRIAL BY JURY OF ANY CLAIMS OF ANY KIND ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THESE TERMS OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY. YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS IS A WAIVER OF A LEGAL RIGHT AND REPRESENT THAT YOUR WAIVER IS MADE KNOWINGLY AND VOLUNTARILY AFTER CONSULTATION WITH COUNSEL OF YOUR CHOICE. TO THE EXTENT APPLICABLE, YOU AGREE THAT ALL SUCH CLAIMS SHALL BE TRIED BEFORE A JUDGE OF A COURT HAVING JURISDICTION WITHOUT A JURY.

# **Applicability of Content**

The servers supporting the GXM Service are operated in the United States of America, and GXM makes no representation that the content provided through the GXM Service are applicable or appropriate for use in jurisdictions other than the United State of America. If you access the GXM Service from outside of the United States America, please be aware you are responsible for compliance with any applicable laws. To the extent any applicable local laws prohibit your viewing and use of the GXM Service, you may not view or use the GXM Service.

# **GXM Intellectual Property Notice**

Pursuant to the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, GXM has designated the person listed below as its agent to receive notifications of alleged copyright or other intellectual property infringement on this GXM Service. GXM respects the intellectual property of others and asks our users to do the same. If you believe that your work has been copied in a way that constitutes infringement, or your intellectual property rights have been otherwise violated, please provide GXM's Intellectual Property Agent the following information (the "Notice"): (a) an electronic or physical signature of the person authorized to act on behalf of the owner of the copyright or other intellectual property interest; (b) a description of the copyrighted work or other intellectual property right that you claim has been infringed; (c) a description of where the material that you claim has been infringed is located in the GXM Service; (d) your address, telephone number and email address; (e) a statement by you that you have a good faith belief that the disputed use is not authorized by the applicable intellectual property owner, its agent or the law; and (f) a statement by you, made under penalty of perjury, that the information in your Notice is accurate and that you are the copyright or intellectual property owner or authorized to act on the copyright or intellectual property owner's behalf.



GXM's Agent for transmitting the Notice for claims of copyright or other intellectual property right infringement can be contacted at:

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# **Complaints Regarding Content**

We respect the rights of others. We require that information posted by Members be accurate and not in violation of the intellectual property rights or other rights of third parties. Also, as noted, unprofessional, false, misleading, profane or defamatory comments are not appropriate for the GXM Service. We provide a policy and process for complaints concerning content posted by our Members.

### **General Provisions**

In the event any provision (or any part of any provision) contained in these Terms shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision (or remaining part of the affected provision) of these Terms, and these Terms shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision (or part thereof) had never been contained herein, but only to the extent such provision (or part thereof) is invalid, illegal, or unenforceable.

GXM's failure to insist upon or enforce strict performance of any provision of these Terms shall not be construed as a waiver of any other provision, term or right set forth herein. Neither the course of conduct between the parties nor trade practice shall act to modify any of the terms and conditions of these Terms.

GXM may assign its rights and duties under these Terms to any party at any time without notice to you. You may not assign these Terms or the rights granted herein to any party without the prior written consent of GXM.

These Terms do not create any agency, employment, partnership or joint venture between you and GXM.

The section headings used in these Terms are for convenience only and have no legal or contractual effect.



We reserve the right to change the terms of this Agreement and will provide you notice if we do by posting updates on the site. If you don't agree to these changes, you must stop using the Services

# **Print these Terms**

You acknowledge that you have read these Terms and have had an opportunity to consult with an attorney. For record keeping purposes, GXM encourages you to print these Terms and the ancillary documents described herein.

You agree that these Terms, combined with your act of using the GXM Service have the same legal force and effect as a written contract with your written signature and satisfy any laws that require a writing or signature, including any applicable Statute of Frauds. You further agree that you shall not challenge the validity, enforceability or admissibility of these Terms on the grounds that it was electronically transmitted or authorized. In addition, you acknowledge that you have had the opportunity to print these Terms.

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