

Subject: Contingency Declaration for Operations in Iraq and Syria

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This message provides guidance to DoD contracting activities supporting operations in Iraq and Syria pursuant to "contingency operation" as defined at 10 USC 101(a)(13) and FAR 2.101(b).

On September 14, 2014, the Secretary of Defense designated operations in Iraq and Syria as a contingency operation in accordance with Title 10 USC 101(a)(13). When awarding contracts outside the United States to be performed outside the United States or for purchases made outside the United States in support of these operations, apply increased contingency acquisition thresholds at the FAR 2.101(b) definition of "micro-purchase threshold" (\$30,000) and "simplified acquisition threshold" (\$1,000,000), and at FAR 13.5(e) for Test Program for Certain Commercial Items (\$12,000,000) with an effective date of September 14, 2014. These thresholds only apply for contracts awarded and performed or purchases made outside the United States. In the case of any contract to be awarded and performed or purchase to be made inside the United States in support of these operations, apply increased "micro-purchase threshold" of \$15,000 and "simplified acquisition threshold" of \$300,000. The Test Program Threshold for Certain Commercial Items remains at \$12,000,000.

Contracting officers shall use the NIA code O14S in their FPDS contract action reports for all contracts in support of operations in Iraq and Syria.

Additional guidance for use of the purchase card during Contingency, Emergency, and Humanitarian Aid Operations may be found in Appendix B of the DoD charge Card Guide book found at http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/pdi/pc/policy_documents.html

For further updates on operations in Iraq and Syria, please monitor OSD DPAP Contingency Contracting's HOT TOPICS link at <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/pacc/cc/index.html>

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