

Subject: UPDATE (NIA) Code // Operation United Assistance - DoD Support to the USG Response to the Ebola Outbreak in West Africa

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This message provides guidance to DoD contracting activities supporting the humanitarian assistance response to Operation United Assistance pursuant to "humanitarian or peacekeeping operation" as defined at FAR 2.101.

In supporting DoD's response to Operation United Assistance, apply the authority provided at DFARS 218.270. When a "humanitarian or peacekeeping operation" is named, the simplified acquisition threshold is raised to \$300,000 for DoD purchases that are awarded and performed, or purchases that are made, outside the United States in support of that operation. The simplified acquisition threshold is defined at DFARS 202.101.

This authority does not increase the simplified acquisition threshold for stateside purchases.

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Establishment of the new National Interest Action (NIA) Code for Operation United Assistance (OUA): The NIA code of O14E has been established for OUA in response to the Ebola Outbreak. Please ensure your contracting officers use the NIA code O14E in their FPDS contract action reports for all contracts in support of OUA efforts.