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DIRECTORS, DEFENSE AGENCIES 
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SUBJECT: Theater Business Clearance/Contract Administration Delegation (TBC/CAD) Update

References: (a) Theater Business Clearance/Contract Administration Delegation (TBC/CAD) Compliance, September 15, 2009
(b) USCENTCOM FRAGO 09-1640, Realignment of the Joint Contracting Command-Iraq/Afghanistan to a Joint Theater Support Contracting Command, April 20, 2010
(c) CENTCOM Contracting Webpage
   "http://www2.centcom.mil/sites/contracts/Pages/Defaults.aspx"

This memo updates reference (a) to reflect the standup of CENTCOM’s Joint Theater Support Contracting Command (CENTCOM Contracting Command (C³)) and the expansion of Theater Business Clearance/Contract Administration Delegation (TBC/CAD) (reference (b)) coverage within the USCENTCOM AOR.

Contracts subject to TBC are those: (1) service contracts with areas of performance in Iraq or Afghanistan after April 1, 2008, and in Kuwait or Pakistan after October 1, 2010; (2) that require delivery of material to Iraq or Afghanistan after April 1, 2008, and Kuwait or Pakistan after October 1, 2010, under FOB Destination terms using commercial transportation outside the Defense Transportation System or (3) that authorize contractor personnel, including subcontractors at all Tiers, to carry weapons in Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait or Pakistan, either currently performing or newly awarded, regardless of contract end date.
Reference (b) requires that the C³ Commander will exercise command authority over Army, Air Force, Navy, Marines, and other assigned and attached theater support contracting elements operating in Iraq and Afghanistan. The C³ Commander will exercise coordinating authority with all DOD contracting activities within Iraq and Afghanistan, as well as within Kuwait and Pakistan, including the United States Special Operations Command, US Army Corps of Engineers and Defense Logistics Agency. It further designates to the C³ the responsibility for exercising TBC/CAD for Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait and Pakistan. It also requires DOD agencies having contracts with performance in or delivery to Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait and/or Pakistan to participate in C³ directed Joint Contracting Support Boards. The specific TBC/CAD requirements for Iraq/Afghanistan, Kuwait and Pakistan are provided on the CENTCOM contracting webpage (reference (c)).

As noted in reference (a), the need to maintain visibility of contracts and associated contractor personnel and ensure that contractors comply with the Joint Commander’s requirements is paramount. To that end, two key TBC enforcement mechanisms have been put in place: 1) The C³ is authorized to prohibit the issuance or renewal of Letters of Authorization (LOAs), or to revoke an existing LOA for contractor personnel when a contract with performance in or delivery to either Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait or Pakistan is not in compliance with established policies and procedures; and, 2) the Defense Contract Management Agency will not accept delegation of contract administration responsibilities for those contracts that perform or deliver to Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait or Pakistan, unless these contracts have been vetted through TBC.

All other requirements as set forth in reference (a) and incorporated by reference remain in effect. I ask that you forward this memo to your contracting activities no later than July 15, 2010, and have them report their compliance with the new TBC/CAD requirements for Pakistan and Kuwait by October 31, 2010. Please report back to me on your component’s completion of this tasking via my POC, Mr. Bill Reich, 703-699-3727, William.reich@osd.mil.

Signed

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