MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, UNITED STATES SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND (ATTN: ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE) COMMANDER, UNITED STATES TRANSPORTATION COMMAND (ATTN: ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE) INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (PROCUREMENT), ASA (ALT) DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (ACQUISITION & LOGISTICS MANAGEMENT), ASN (RDA) DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE (CONTRACTING), SAF/AQC DIRECTORS, DEFENSE AGENCIES DIRECTORS, DEFENSE FIELD ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT: Government-wide Commercial Purchase Card Prohibited Purchases

The Defense Federal Acquisition Regulations Supplement (DFARS) Part 213.3 provides direction for authorizing, establishing, and operating Government-wide Commercial Purchase Card (GPC) programs, and directs personnel to follow the guidance in the Department of Defense Government Charge Card Guidebook for Establishing and Managing Purchase, Travel, and Fuel Card Programs (Guidebook). Section A.1.2.4 of the Guidebook (effective 1 October 2017 and updated on 24 January 2018) establishes a list of items prohibited from purchase using the GPC. This memo adds the following items to the prohibited list:

- Video Surveillance Cameras
- Commercial Unmanned Aerial Systems

Use of the GPC to purchase either of the above is prohibited immediately. Any requirements for such items should be directed to the Component’s contracting office for action. The Guidebook will be updated within 90 days to reflect this addition. My Action Officer for this memo is Denise Reich, who can be contacted at denise.a.reich.civ@mail.mil or 703-697-4404.

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