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SUBJECT: Class Deviation—Payment in Local Currency (Afghanistan)

Effective immediately, contracting officers shall not implement DFARS 232.72, Payment in Local Currency (Afghanistan), and shall not use the solicitation provision at DFARS 252.232-7014, Notification of Payment in Local Currency (Afghanistan), in solicitations. These requirements are rendered inoperable due to the change in operations in Afghanistan. Therefore, payment to host nation vendors (Afghan) in Afghani (local currency) via electronic funds to a local (Afghan) banking institution is no longer required.

The U.S. Treasury has placed the Taliban, the de facto government in Afghanistan, on the Office of Foreign Assets Control Sanction List. Therefore, payment cannot be made to an Afghan vendor in Afghani via electronic funds to an Afghan banking institution. Additional guidance on making payment under Afghan vendor contracts is available at https://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/pacc/cc/resources.html.

This class deviation remains in effect until incorporated into the DFARS or until otherwise rescinded. My point of contact is Lt Col Karen Landale, who is available by email at karen.a.landale.mil@mail.mil.