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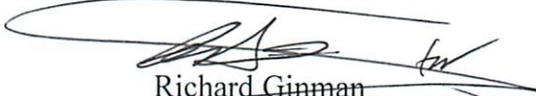
MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, UNITED STATES SPECIAL OPERATIONS
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SUBJECT: Class Deviation—Acquisition of the American Flag

Effective immediately, when using funds appropriated under the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2015, Division C of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Public Law 113-235), contracting officers shall incorporate the attached clause in all solicitations and contracts, including solicitations and contracts using FAR part 12 procedures for the acquisition of commercial items, that are for the acquisition of American flags and have an estimated value that exceeds the simplified acquisition threshold, unless the flags are for commissary resale. This class deviation implements section 8119 of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2015.

Section 8119 states that none of the funds made available in the Act may be used for the purchase or manufacture of a flag of the United States unless such flags are treated as covered items under 10 U.S.C. 2533a(b) (commonly known as the “Berry Amendment”).

This class deviation remains in effect until incorporated in the DFARS or otherwise rescinded. My point of contact is Mr. Jeffrey Grover, who may be reached at 703-697-9352, or at Jeffrey.C.Grover.civ@mail.mil.


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As stated

252.225-7988 Acquisition of the American Flag.

When using funds appropriated under the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2015 (Division C of Pub. L. 113-235), use the following clause in solicitations and contracts, including solicitations and contracts using FAR part 12 procedures, that are for the acquisition of the American flag, with an estimated value that exceeds the simplified acquisition threshold, unless the flags are for commissary resale:

**ACQUISITION OF THE AMERICAN FLAG
(CLASS DEVIATION 2015-O0007) (DEC 2014)**

(a) *Definition.*

“United States,” as used in this clause, means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas.

(b) If the Contractor is required to deliver under this contract one or more American flags (Federal Supply Class 8345), such flag(s), including the materials and components thereof, shall be manufactured in the United States, consistent with the requirements at 10 U.S.C. 2533a (commonly known as the “Berry Amendment”):

(c) This clause does not apply to the acquisition of any end items or components related to flying or displaying the flag (e.g., flagpoles and accessories).

(End of clause)