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MEMORANDUM FOR ALMAJCOM/FOA/DRU (CONTRACTING)

FROM: SAF/AQC
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SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority for Acquisition of Supplies or Services for Defense Against or Recovery from Nuclear, Biological, Chemical or Radiological Attack (FAC 2001-20)

The Federal Acquisition Regulation Council issued Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2001-20 on February 23, 2004 as an interim rule implementing Section 1443 of the Services Acquisition Reform Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-136).

The FAC increases the amount of the micro-purchase threshold and the simplified acquisition threshold for acquisitions of supplies or services, as determined by the head of the agency, that are for use in support of a contingency operation or to facilitate defense against or recovery from nuclear, biological, chemical, or radiological attack. The FAC also provides for streamlined commercial procedures for acquisition of supplies and services, as determined by the head of the agency, to use to facilitate defense against or recovery from nuclear, biological, chemical, or radiological attack.

This head of the agency authority is delegated to the Head of the Contracting Activities (HCA) as described in Air Force Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (AFFARS) 5301.601 (a)(i). HCAs may delegate this authority no lower than the Buying Office Contracting Official or the chief of the contracting office, as defined in AFFARS 5302.101.

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