

**PART 252—SOLICITATION PROVISIONS AND CONTRACT CLAUSES**

**252.209–7003 [Removed and Reserved]**

8. Section 252.209–7003 is removed and reserved.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**48 CFR Part 225**

**[DFARS Case 2001–D019]**

**Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Memorandum of Understanding—Switzerland**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** DoD has issued a final rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to reflect a determination of the Deputy Secretary of Defense that it is inconsistent with the public interest to apply the restrictions of the Buy American Act to the acquisition of defense equipment produced or manufactured in Switzerland.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 29, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Amy Williams, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, OUSD(AT&L)DP(DAR), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062. Telephone (703) 602–0288; facsimile (703) 602–0350. Please cite DFARS Case 2001–D019.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Background**

A memorandum of understanding between the Government of the Swiss Confederation and the Government of the United States provides for both governments to remove barriers to procurements of conventional defense supplies produced in the other country, and to accord to industries in the other country treatment no less favorable in relation to procurement than is accorded to industries of its own country. Therefore, DoD has determined that it is inconsistent with the public interest to apply the restrictions of the Buy American Act to the acquisition of defense equipment produced or manufactured in Switzerland. This final rule amends DFARS 225.872–1 to add Switzerland to the list of countries for which DoD has made such public interest determinations, and to remove Switzerland from the list of countries for which exemption from the Buy

American Act is permitted only on a purchase-by-purchase basis.

This rule was not subject to Office of Management and Budget review under Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

**B. Regulatory Flexibility Act**

This final rule will not have a significant effect beyond the internal operating procedures of DoD. Therefore, publication for public comment is not required. However, DoD will consider comments from small entities concerning the affected DFARS subpart in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 610. Such comments should cite DFARS Case 2001–D019.

**C. Paperwork Reduction Act**

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the rule does not impose any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

**List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 225**

Government procurement.

**Michele P. Peterson,**  
*Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council.*

Therefore, 48 CFR Part 225 is amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for 48 CFR Part 225 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR Chapter 1.

**PART 225—FOREIGN ACQUISITION**

**225.872–1 [Amended]**

2. Section 225.872–1 is amended as follows:

a. In paragraph (a) by adding, in alphabetical order, “Switzerland” to the list of countries; and

b. In paragraph (b) by removing “Switzerland” from the list of countries.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**48 CFR Part 252**

**[DFARS Case 2000–D027]**

**Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Tax Exemptions (Italy)**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** DoD has issued a final rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement

(DFARS) to update requirements pertaining to tax exemptions for DoD contracts performed in Italy.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 29, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Susan Schneider, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, OUSD(AT&L)DP(DAR), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062. Telephone (703) 602–0326; facsimile (703) 602–0350. Please cite DFARS Case 2000–D027.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Background**

DoD uses the contract clause at DFARS 252.229–7003, Tax Exemptions (Italy), when contract performance will be in Italy. This rule amends the clause at DFARS 252.229–7003 to update the information pertaining to tax exemptions that contractors must include on their invoices.

DoD published a proposed rule at 66 FR 48652 on September 11, 2001. DoD received no comments on the proposed rule. Therefore, DoD is adopting the proposed rule as a final rule without change.

This rule was not subject to Office of Management and Budget review under Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

**B. Regulatory Flexibility Act**

DoD certifies that this final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*, because the rule makes minor changes to invoicing requirements that apply only to DoD contracts performed in Italy.

**C. Paperwork Reduction Act**

This rule does not add any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

**List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 252**

Government procurement.

**Michele P. Peterson,**  
*Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council.*

Therefore, 48 CFR Part 252 is amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for 48 CFR Part 252 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR Chapter 1.