

112-74) ("the Act"), as carried forward by the Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (Div. F, Pub. L. 113-6), and Department of State Delegation of Authority Number 245-1, I hereby determine that it is important to the national interest of the United States to waive the requirements of Section 7031(b)(1) of the Act and similar provisions of law in prior year Acts with respect to Ethiopia and I hereby waive this restriction.

This determination and the accompanying Memorandum of Justification shall be reported to the Congress, and the determination shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: July 10, 2013.

**William J. Burns,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8560]

### Waiver of Restriction on Assistance to the Central Government of Swaziland

Pursuant to Section 7031(b)(3) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2012 (Div. I, Pub. L. 112-74) ("the Act"), as carried forward by the Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (Div. F, Pub. L. 113-6), and Department of State Delegation of Authority Number 245-1, I hereby determine that it is important to the national interest of the United States to waive the requirements of Section 7031(b)(1) of the Act and similar provisions of law in prior year Acts with respect to Swaziland and I hereby waive this restriction.

This determination and the accompanying Memorandum of Justification shall be reported to the Congress, and the determination shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: September 23, 2013.

**William J. Burns,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8551]

### Waiver of Restriction on Assistance to the Central Government of the Republic of the Congo

Pursuant to Section 7031(b)(3) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs

Appropriations Act, 2012 (Div. I, Pub. L. 112-74) ("the Act"), as carried forward by the Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (Div. F, Pub. L. 113-6) and Department of State Delegation of Authority Number 245-1, I hereby determine that it is important to the national interest of the United States to waive the requirements of Section 7031(b)(1) of the Act and similar provisions of law in prior year Acts with respect to the Republic of the Congo and I hereby waive this restriction.

This determination and the accompanying Memorandum of Justification shall be reported to the Congress, and the determination shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: September 5, 2013.

**William J. Burns,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8556]

### Waiver of Restriction on Assistance to the Central Government of Guinea

Pursuant to Section 7031(b)(3) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2012 (Div. I, Pub. L. 112-74) ("the Act"), as carried forward by the Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (Div. F, Pub. L. 113-6), and Department of State Delegation of Authority Number 245-1, I hereby determine that it is important to the national interest of the United States to waive the requirements of Section 7031(b)(1) of the Act and similar provisions of law in prior year Acts with respect to Guinea and I hereby waive this restriction.

This determination and the accompanying Memorandum of Justification shall be reported to the Congress, and the determination shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: August 12, 2013.

**William J. Burns,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8554]

### Waiver of Restriction on Assistance to the Central Government of Gabon

Pursuant to Section 7031(b)(3) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs

Appropriations Act, 2012 (Div. I, Pub. L. 112-74) ("the Act"), as carried forward by the Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (Div. F, Pub. L. 113-6), and Department of State Delegation of Authority Number 245-1, I hereby determine that it is important to the national interest of the United States to waive the requirements of Section 7031(b)(1) of the Act and similar provisions of law in prior year Acts with respect to Gabon and I hereby waive this restriction.

This determination and the accompanying Memorandum of Justification shall be reported to the Congress, and the determination shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: August 12, 2013.

**William J. Burns,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8557]

### Waiver of Restriction on Assistance to the Central Government of Niger

Pursuant to Section 7031(b)(3) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2012 (Div. I, Pub. L. 112-74) ("the Act"), as carried forward by the Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (Div. F, Pub. L. 113-6), and Department of State Delegation of Authority Number 245-1, I hereby determine that it is important to the national interest of the United States to waive the requirements of Section 7031(b)(1) of the Act and similar provisions of law in prior year Acts with respect to Niger and I hereby waive this restriction.

This determination and the accompanying Memorandum of Justification shall be reported to the Congress, and the determination shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: July 10, 2013.

**William J. Burns,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8555]

### Waiver of Restriction on Assistance to the Central Government of The Gambia

Pursuant to Section 7031(b)(3) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs

Appropriations Act, 2012 (Div. I, Pub. L. 112-74) (“the Act”), as carried forward by the Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (Div. F, Pub. L. 113-6), and Department of State Delegation of Authority Number 245-1, I hereby determine that it is important to the national interest of the United States to waive the requirements of Section 7031(b)(1) of the Act and similar provisions of law in prior year Acts with respect to The Gambia and I hereby waive this restriction.

This determination and the accompanying Memorandum of Justification shall be reported to the Congress, and the determination shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

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**William J. Burns,**  
Deputy Secretary.

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## OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

### Procurement Thresholds for Implementation of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice of determination of procurement thresholds.

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**SUMMARY:** Executive Order 12260 requires the United States Trade Representative to set the U.S. dollar thresholds for application of Title III of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2511 *et seq.*), which implements U.S. trade agreement obligations, including those under the World Trade Organization (WTO) Agreement on Government Procurement, Chapter 15 of the United States-Australia Free Trade Agreement (United States-Australia FTA), Chapter 9 of the United States-Bahrain Free Trade Agreement (United States-Bahrain FTA), Chapter 9 of the United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement (United States-Chile FTA), Chapter 9 of the United States-Colombia Free Trade Agreement (United States-Colombia FTA), Chapter 9 of the Dominican Republic-Central American-United States Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA), Chapter 9 of the United States-Morocco Free Trade Agreement (United

States-Morocco FTA), Chapter 10 of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Chapter 9 of the United States-Oman Free Trade Agreement (United States-Oman FTA), Chapter 9 of the United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement (United States-Panama TPA), Chapter 9 of the United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement (United States-Peru TPA), and Chapter 13 of the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement (United States-Singapore FTA). These obligations apply to covered procurements valued at or above specified U.S. dollar thresholds.

Now, therefore, I, Michael B.G. Froman, United States Trade Representative, in conformity with the provisions of Executive Order 12260, and in order to carry out U.S. trade agreement obligations under the WTO Agreement on Government Procurement, Chapter 15 of the United States-Australia FTA, Chapter 9 of the United States-Bahrain FTA, Chapter 9 of the United States-Chile FTA, Chapter 9 of the United States-Colombia FTA, Chapter 9 of DR-CAFTA, Chapter 9 of the United States-Morocco FTA, Chapter 10 of NAFTA, Chapter 9 of the United States-Oman FTA, Chapter 9 of the United States-Panama TPA, Chapter 9 of the United States-Peru TPA, and Chapter 13 of the United States-Singapore FTA, do hereby determine, effective on January 1, 2014:

For the calendar years 2014 and 2015, the thresholds are as follows:

#### I. WTO Agreement on Government Procurement

##### A. Central Government Entities Listed in U.S. Annex 1

(1) Procurement of goods and services—\$204,000; and

(2) Procurement of construction services—\$7,864,000.

##### B. Sub-Central Government Entities Listed in U.S. Annex 2

(1) Procurement of goods and services—\$558,000; and

(2) Procurement of construction services—\$7,864,000.

##### C. Other Entities Listed in U.S. Annex 3

(1) Procurement of goods and services—\$629,000; and

(2) Procurement of construction services—\$7,864,000.

#### II. United States-Australia FTA, Chapter 15

##### A. Central Government Entities Listed in the U.S. Schedule to Annex 15-A, Section 1

(1) Procurement of goods and services—\$79,507; and

(2) Procurement of construction services—\$7,864,000.

##### B. Sub-Central Government Entities Listed in the U.S. Schedule to Annex 15-A, Section 2

(1) Procurement of goods and services—\$558,000; and

(2) Procurement of construction services—\$7,864,000.

##### C. Other Entities Listed in the U.S. Schedule to Annex 15-A, Section 3

(1) Procurement of goods and services for List A Entities—\$397,535;

(2) Procurement of goods and services for List B Entities—\$629,000;

(3) Procurement of construction services—\$7,864,000.

#### III. United States-Bahrain FTA, Chapter 9

##### A. Central Government Entities Listed in the U.S. Schedule to Annex 9-A-1

(1) Procurement of goods and services—\$204,000; and

(2) Procurement of construction services—\$10,335,931.

##### B. Other Entities Listed in the U.S. Schedule to Annex 9-A-2

(1) Procurement of goods and services for List B entities—\$629,000; and

(2) Procurement of construction services—\$12,721,740.

#### IV. United States-Chile FTA, Chapter 9

##### A. Central Government Entities Listed in the U.S. Schedule to Annex 9.1, Section A

(1) Procurement of goods and services—\$79,507; and

(2) Procurement of construction services—\$7,864,000.

##### B. Sub-Central Government Entities Listed in the U.S. Schedule to Annex 9.1, Section B

(1) Procurement of goods and services—\$558,000; and

(2) Procurement of construction services—\$7,864,000.

##### C. Other Entities Listed in the U.S. Schedule to Annex 9.1, Section C

(1) Procurement of goods and services for List A Entities—\$397,535;

(2) Procurement of goods and services for List B Entities—\$629,000;

(3) Procurement of construction services—\$7,864,000.