

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

**GENERAL SERVICES
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**NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND
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48 CFR Chapter 1

[Docket No. FAR 2018–0001, Sequence No. 1]

**Federal Acquisition Regulation;
Federal Acquisition Circular 2005–97;
Introduction**

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Summary presentation of a final rule.

SUMMARY: This document summarizes the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) rule agreed to by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) in this Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2005–97. A companion document, the *Small Entity Compliance Guide* (SECG), follows this FAC. The FAC, including the SECG, is available via the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

DATES: For effective date see the separate document, which follows.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Cecelia Davis, Procurement Analyst, at 202–219–0202 for clarification of content. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat Division at 202–501–4755. Please cite FAC 2005–97, FAR case 2018–001.

RULE LISTED IN FAC 2005–97

Subject	FAR case	Analyst
Trade Agreements Thresholds.	2018–001	Davis.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A summary for the FAR rule follows. For the actual revisions and/or amendments made by this FAR Case, refer to the specific item number and subject set

forth in the document following this item summary. FAC 2005–97 amends the FAR as follows:

Trade Agreements Thresholds (FAR Case 2018–001)

This final rule amends the Federal Acquisition Regulation to adjust the thresholds for application of the World Trade Organization Government Procurement Agreement and the Free Trade Agreements as determined by the United States Trade Representative, according to predetermined formulae under the agreements.

Dated: January 18, 2018.

William F. Clark,

Director, Office of Government-wide Acquisition Policy, Office of Acquisition Policy, Office of Government-wide Policy.

Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2005–97 is issued under the authority of the Secretary of Defense, the Administrator of General Services, and the Administrator for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Unless otherwise specified, all Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and other directive material contained in FAC 2005–97 is effective January 24, 2018.

Dated: January 11, 2018.

Shay D. Assad,

Director, Defense Pricing/Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy

Dated: January 18, 2018.

Jeffrey A. Koses,

Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy CAO, Office of Acquisition Policy, U.S. General Services Administration.

Dated: January 9, 2018.

William P. McNally,

Assistant Administrator, Office of Procurement National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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[FAC 2005–97; FAR Case 2018–001; Docket No. 2018–0004; Sequence No. 1]

RIN 9000–AN60

Federal Acquisition Regulation; Trade Agreements Thresholds

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD, GSA, and NASA are issuing a final rule amending the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) to incorporate revised thresholds for application of the World Trade Organization Government Procurement Agreement and the Free Trade Agreements, as determined by the United States Trade Representative.

DATES: *Effective Date:* January 24, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Cecelia L. Davis, Procurement Analyst, at 202–219–0202, for clarification of content. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat Division at 202–501–4755. Please cite FAC 2005–97, FAR Case 2018–001.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Approximately every two years, the thresholds for the World Trade Organization Government Procurement Agreement (WTO GPA) and the free trade agreements (FTAs) are adjusted according to predetermined formulae under the agreements. On December 11, 2017 (82 FR 58248), the United States Trade Representative published new procurement thresholds. These thresholds became effective on January 1, 2018. The United States Trade Representative has specified the following new thresholds:

Trade agreement	Supply contract (equal to or exceeding)	Service contract (equal to or exceeding)	Construction contract (equal to or exceeding)
WTO GPA	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$6,932,000
FTAs:			
Australia FTA	80,317	80,317	6,932,000
Bahrain FTA	180,000	180,000	10,441,216