

to limitations on contractor employee personal conflicts of interest should be accomplished under a new FAR case. Accordingly, the proposed rule published at 79 FR 18503 on April 2, 2014, is withdrawn and FAR Case 2013–022 is closed.

**List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 1, 3, 12, and 52**

Government procurement.

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**48 CFR Parts 1, 7, 25, 44, and 52**

**FAR Case 2018–002, Docket No. FAR–2018–0051, Sequence No. 1]**

**RIN 9000–AN62**

**Federal Acquisition Regulation: Protecting Life in Global Health Assistance**

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

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; withdrawal.

**SUMMARY:** DoD, GSA, and NASA are withdrawing the proposed rule to amend the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) titled: Protecting Life in Global Health Assistance. The decision not to proceed with a final rule has been made because the Presidential Memorandum regarding “The Mexico City Policy,” dated January 23, 2017, has been revoked by the Memorandum on Protecting Women’s Health at Home and Abroad issued by President Biden on January 28, 2021. Accordingly, this proposed rule is withdrawn, and the FAR case is closed.

**DATES:** The proposed rule published on September 14, 2020, at 85 FR 56549 is withdrawn as of March 19, 2021.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** FAR Policy, at 202–969–4075 or *farpolicy@gsa.gov*. Please cite “FAR Case 2018–002”.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On September 14, 2020, DoD, GSA, and NASA proposed to amend the FAR to

implement the Presidential Memorandum regarding “The Mexico City Policy,” issued on January 23, 2017. The Secretary of State approved on May 9, 2017, a plan, called “Protecting Life in Global Health Assistance” (PLGHA), to specify the manner in which U.S. Government Departments and Agencies will apply the provision of the “Mexico City Policy” to foreign non-governmental organizations that receive U.S. funding for global health assistance. The rule proposed amendments to limit the foreign contractors eligible to receive global health assistance funding to only those that agree to abide by the terms of the PLGHA policy in their contract or subcontract.

On January 28, 2021, the Memorandum on Protecting Women’s Health at Home and Abroad was issued by President Biden which revoked the Presidential Memorandum regarding “The Mexico City Policy.” Accordingly, the proposed rule published at 85 FR 56549 on September 14, 2020, is withdrawn and FAR Case 2018–002 is closed.

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**48 CFR Parts 2, 3, 4, 7, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 37, 42, 52 and 53**

**[FAR Case 2011–001, Docket No. FAR–2011–0001, Sequence No. 1]**

**RIN 9000–AL82**

**Federal Acquisition Regulation: Organizational Conflicts of Interest**

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

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; withdrawal.

**SUMMARY:** DoD, GSA, and NASA are withdrawing the proposed rule to amend the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) titled: Organizational

Conflicts of Interest. The decision not to proceed with a final rule has been made given the amount of time that has passed since publication of the proposed rule. Accordingly, this proposed rule is withdrawn, and the FAR case is closed.

**DATES:** The proposed rule published on April 26, 2011, at 76 FR 23236 is withdrawn as of March 19, 2021.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mahruba Uddowla, Procurement Analyst, at 703–605–2868 or *mahruba.uddowla@gsa.gov*. Please cite “FAR Case 2011–001”.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** April 26, 2011, DoD, GSA, and NASA proposed to amend the FAR to revise regulatory coverage on organizational conflicts of interest (OCI) and provide additional coverage regarding contractor access to nonpublic information (76 FR 23236). The proposed rule sought public comment on a revised approach to OCI and unequal access to nonpublic information, as well as the OCI framework for major defense acquisition programs implemented in the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) via DFARS Case 2009–D015 (75 FR 20954, April 22, 2010).

Given the amount of time that has passed since publication of the proposed rule, and potential changed circumstances, a decision has been made not to proceed with finalization of the FAR rule. Accordingly, the proposed rule published at 76 FR 23236 on April 26, 2011, is withdrawn and FAR Case 2011–001 is closed. Consideration of any future amendments to the FAR related to organizational conflicts of interest or unequal access to nonpublic information will be accomplished under a new FAR case.

**List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 2, 3, 4, 7, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 37, 42, 52 and 53**

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