

19.903 Applicability.

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(3) Acquisitions of \$15,000 or less for acquisitions of supplies or services that, as determined by the head of the agency, are to be used to support a contingency operation or to facilitate defense against or recovery from nuclear, biological, chemical, or radiological attack as described in 13.201(g)(1).

19.1306 [Amended]

■ 18. Amend section 19.1306 by removing paragraph (c).

PART 25—FOREIGN ACQUISITION

■ 19. Amend section 25.1101 by revising the introductory text of paragraph (a)(1) to read as follows:

25.1101 Acquisition of supplies.

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(a)(1) Insert the clause at 52.225–1, Buy American Act—Supplies, in solicitations and contracts with a value exceeding \$2,500 (\$15,000 for acquisitions as described in 13.201(g)(1)) but not exceeding \$25,000; and in solicitations and contracts with a value exceeding \$25,000, if none of the clauses prescribed in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section apply, except if—

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■ 20. Amend section 25.1103 by revising paragraph (a) to read as follows:

25.1103 Other provisions and clauses.

(a) *Restrictions on certain foreign purchases.* Insert the clause at 52.225–

13, Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases, in solicitations and contracts with a value exceeding \$2,500, \$15,000 for acquisitions as described in 13.201(g)(1), unless an exception applies.

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Entity Compliance Guide**

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

ACTION: Small Entity Compliance Guide.

SUMMARY: This document is issued under the joint authority of the Secretary of Defense, the Administrator of General Services and the Administrator for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. This *Small Entity Compliance Guide* has been prepared in accordance with Section 212 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996. It consists of a summary of the rule appearing in Federal Acquisition

Circular (FAC) 2001–20 which amends the FAR. An asterisk (*) next to a rule indicates that a regulatory flexibility analysis has been prepared. Interested parties may obtain further information regarding these rules by referring to FAC 2001–20 which precedes this document. These documents are also available via the Internet at <http://www.arnet.gov/far>.

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*** Special Emergency Procurement
Authority (FAR Case 2003–022)**

This interim rule amends the FAR to implement Section 1443 of the Services Acquisition Reform Act of 2003 (Pub. L. 108–136). This rule increases the amount of the micro-purchase threshold and the simplified acquisition threshold for procurements of supplies and services to support a contingency operation or to facilitate defense against or recovery from nuclear, biological, chemical, or radiological attack. Also, the head of the contracting activity carrying out a procurement of supplies or services to facilitate defense against or recovery from nuclear, biological, chemical, or radiological attack may treat such supplies or services as a commercial item.

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