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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL MAJCOM/FOA/DRU (CONTRACTING)

FROM: SAF/AQC
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SUBJECT: Theater Business Clearance (TBC) for Afghanistan

Reference: (a) Theater Business Clearance/Contract Administration Delegation (TBC/CAD)
Update, December 16, 2011

This memorandum is to reemphasize the requirement in DFARS PGI 225.7401(ii) to obtain a TBC for a declared contingency operation. In some cases, contracting officers are improperly issuing a Letter of Authorization (LOA) from Synchronized Predeployment and Operational Tracker (SPOT) for contracts performing or delivering supplies to Afghanistan without TBC approval.

IAW reference (a), contracts subject to TBC are those: (1) valued at >\$30K for Afghanistan and Iraq or valued at >\$1M awarded to non-Host nation firms for Kuwait or Pakistan that require delivery of supplies to Afghanistan, Iraq, Kuwait, or Pakistan, under FOB Destination terms using commercial transportation outside the Defense Transportation system, (2) service or construction contract with place of performance in Afghanistan, Iraq, Kuwait, or Pakistan, or (3) that authorize contractor personnel, including subcontractors at all tiers, to carry weapons in Afghanistan, Iraq, Kuwait, or Pakistan, either currently performing or newly awarded, regardless of contract end date. TBC must be obtained before issuing a LOA.

My POC for this effort is [REDACTED] SAF/AQCP, COMM: (571) 256-2367,
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