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SUBJECT: QUALITY ASSURANCE ADVISORY 03-02
DELEGATION OF QUALITY ASSURANCE TO CANADIAN
MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENCE

TO DESC AMERICAS EAST/WEST

A bilateral treaty signed in 1956 provides for the use of Host-Nation quality assurance. An MOU exists between DCM Ottawa and the Canadian Ministry of National Defence (MND) that provides for the contract administration of each party's contracts by the other. DESC will be re-negotiating the MOU in the near future to include other issues. In the interim, the following policy is established to provide for the delegation of quality assurance from DESC to the Canadian Ministry of National Defence, when appropriate.

DESC contracts will assign quality assurance responsibilities to DESC-Americas West as contained in current guidance. DESC-Americas West Quality Manager may delegate quality assurance functions to the MND by issuing a letter request to:

Director General Equipment Program Services
National Defence headquarters
MGen George R. Pearkes Bldg.
101 Colonel By Drive
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 0K2
Attn: Director Quality Assurance.

The current MND POL contact is Patrick O'Hagan, 819-997-7476; email at O'Hagan.PJ@forces.gc.ca

Each contract shall require an individual request. The request for delegation shall include the following information: Contractor, contractor place of performance, contract number, contract line item numbers; product, specification, a level of risk, special instructions, PORTS requirement if appropriate.

POC is the undersigned at 703-767-8736.

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