(b) SCOPE.—The prohibition under this section applies to the procurement of commercial items, the procurement of commercial-off-the-shelfitems, and the non-commercial procurement of supplies, property, services, and manufactured items, irrespective of contract vehicle, including contracts, purchase orders, task or deliver orders under indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity contracts, blanket purchase agreements, and basic ordering agreements.

(c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed as—

(1) waiving, superseding, restricting, or limiting the application of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C. 431 et seq.) or preventing Federal regulatory or law enforcement agencies from collecting or receiving information authorized by law; or

(2) precluding the Defense Contract Audit Agency from accessing and reviewing certain information, including political information, for the purpose of identifying unallowable costs and administering cost principles established pursuant to section 2324 of this title.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) CONTRACTOR.—The term "contractor" includes contractors, bidders, and offerors, and individuals and legal entities who would reasonably be expected to submit offers or bids for Federal Government contracts.

(2) POLITICAL INFORMATION.—The term "political information" means information relating to political spending, including any payment consisting of a contribution, expenditure, independent expenditure, or disbursement for an electioneering communication that is made by the contractor, any of its partners, officers, directors or employees, or any of its affiliates or subsidiaries to a candidate or on behalf of a candidate for election for Federal office, to a political committee, to a political party, to a third party entity with the intention or reasonable expectation that it would use the payment to make independent expenditures or electioneering communications, or that is otherwise made with respect to any election for Federal office, party affiliation, and voting history. Each of the terms "contribution", "expenditure", "independent expenditure", "candidate", "election", "elec-tioneering communication", and "Federal office" has the meaning given the term in the Federal Campaign<sup>1</sup> Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C. 431 et seq.).

(Added Pub. L. 112-81, div. A, title VIII, §823(a), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1502.)

## References in Text

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, referred to in subsecs. (c)(1) and (d)(2), is Pub. L. 92–225, Feb. 7, 1972, 86 Stat. 3, which is classified principally to chapter 14 ( $\S431$  et seq.) of Title 2, The Congress. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 431 of Title 2 and Tables.

## CHAPTER 138—COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH NATO ALLIES AND OTHER COUNTRIES

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#### Amendments

1990—Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XIV, §1484(i)(7), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1718, inserted "Sec." above "2341".

1989—Pub. L. 101–189, div. A, title IX, §931(a)(1), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1531, substituted "COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH NATO ALLIES AND OTHER COUNTRIES" for "ACQUISITION AND CROSS-SERV-ICING AGREEMENTS WITH NATO ALLIES AND OTHER COUNTRIES" in chapter heading, and added subchapter analysis, consisting of subchapters I and II.

1987—Pub. L. 100–26, §7(a)(8), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 278, substituted "ACQUISITION AND CROSS-SERVIC-ING AGREEMENTS WITH NATO ALLIES AND OTHER COUNTRIES" for "NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY OR-GANIZATION ACQUISITION AND CROSS-SERVICING AGREEMENTS" in chapter heading.

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Chapter 138 was originally comprised of sections 2321 to 2331. Sections 2321 to 2328, 2330, and 2331, were renumbered sections 2341 to 2348, 2349, and 2350, respectively, of this title, by Pub. L. 99-145, title XIII, §1304(a)(1), (3), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 741.

Section 2329, added Pub. L. 96-323, 2(a), Aug. 4, 1980, 94 Stat. 1018, required the Secretary of Defense to prescribe regulations to implement this chapter, prior to repeal by Pub L. 99-145, title XIII, 1304(a)(2), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 741.

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#### Amendments

1994—Pub. L. 103–337, div. A, title XIII, §1317(c)(2)(B), (1)(2), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2900, 2902, substituted "Waiver of applicability of certain laws" for "Law applicable to acquisition and cross-servicing agreements" in item 2343 and added item 2349a.

1993—Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title XIV, §1431(a)(2), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1833, added item 2349.

1990—Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XIII, §1331(3), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1673, struck out item 2349 "Annual reports".

1989—Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title IX, §931(a)(1), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1531, added subchapter heading.

1986—Pub. L. 99-661, div. A, title XI, §1104(g), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3965, substituted "elements of the armed forces deployed outside the United States" for "United States armed forces in Europe" in item 2341.

1985—Pub. L. 99–145, title XIII, \$1304(a)(6), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 742, renumbered items 2321 to 2328 as 2341 to 2348, respectively, and items 2330 and 2331 as 2349 and 2350, respectively, and struck out item 2329 "Regulations".

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>So in original. Probably should be preceded by "Election".

# § 2341. Authority to acquire logistic support, supplies, and services for elements of the armed forces deployed outside the United States

Subject to section 2343 of this title and subject to the availability of appropriations, the Secretary of Defense may—

(1) acquire from the Governments of North Atlantic Treaty Organization countries, from North Atlantic Treaty Organization subsidiary bodies, and from the United Nations Organization or any regional international organization logistic support, supplies, and services for elements of the armed forces deployed outside the United States; and

(2) acquire from any government not a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization logistic support, supplies, and services for elements of the armed forces deployed (or to be deployed) outside the United States if that country—

(A) has a defense alliance with the United States;

(B) permits the stationing of members of the armed forces in such country or the homeporting of naval vessels of the United States in such country;

(C) has agreed to preposition materiel of the United States in such country; or

(D) serves as the host country to military exercises which include elements of the armed forces or permits other military operations by the armed forces in such country.

(Added Pub. L. 96-323, §2(a), Aug. 4, 1980, 94 Stat. 1016, §2321; renumbered §2341 and amended Pub. L. 99-145, title XIII, §1304(a)(1), (4), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 741; Pub. L. 99-661, div. A, title XI, §1104(a), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3963; Pub. L. 102-484, div. A, title XIII, §1312(a), Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2547; Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title XIII, §1317(a), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2899; Pub. L. 109-163, div. A, title XIII, §1204, Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3456.)

#### Amendments

2006—Par. (1). Pub. L. 109–163 struck out "of which the United States is a member" before "logistic support".

1994—Par. (1). Pub. L. 103–337 substituted a comma for "and" after "countries" and inserted ", and from the United Nations Organization or any regional international organization of which the United States is a member" after "subsidiary bodies".

member" after "subsidiary bodies". 1992—Par. (1). Pub. L. 102-484, §1312(a)(1), substituted "outside the United States" for "in Europe and adjacent waters".

Par. (2). Pub. L. 102-484, §1312(a)(2), in introductory provisions, struck out "in which elements of the armed forces are deployed (or are to be deployed)" after "North Atlantic Treaty Organization" and substituted "outside the United States" for "in such country or in the military region in which such country is located"

the military region in which such country is located". 1986—Pub. L. 99-661 substituted "elements of the armed forces deployed outside the United States" for "United States armed forces in Europe" in section catchline.

Pub. L. 99-661 amended section generally, restating existing provisions into introductory text and par. (1) and adding par. (2).

1985—Pub. L. 99-145 renumbered section 2321 of this title as this section and substituted "section 2343" for "section 2323".

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

Section 1317(j) of Pub. L. 103-337 provided that: "The amendments made by this section [enacting section

2349a of this title and amending this section and sections 2342 to 2347 and 2350 of this title] shall apply with regard to any acquisition or transfer of logistic support, supplies, and services under the authority of subchapter I of chapter 138 of title 10, United States Code, that is initiated after the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 5, 1994]."

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1992 AMENDMENT

Section 1312(c) of Pub. L. 102-484 provided that: "The amendments made by this section [amending this section and section 2347 of this title] shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act [Oct. 23, 1992] and shall apply to acquisitions of logistics support, supplies, and services under chapter 138 of title 10, United States Code, that are initiated on or after the date of enactment of this Act."

#### SHORT TITLE

Section 1 of Pub. L. 96-323 provided: "That this Act [enacting this chapter] may be cited as the 'North Atlantic Treaty Organization Mutual Support Act of 1979'."

## ACCEPTANCE OF REAL PROPERTY, SERVICES, AND COM-MODITIES FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES BY AGENCIES OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Pub. L. 101–165, title IX, §9008, Nov. 21, 1989, 103 Stat. 1130, which authorized agencies of Department of Defense to accept use of real property from foreign countries for United States in accordance with mutual defense agreements or occupational arrangements and to accept services furnished by foreign countries as reciprocal international courtesies or as services customarily made available without charge and to use same for support of United States forces in such areas without specific appropriation therefor, was repealed and restated in section 2350g of this title by Pub. L. 101–510, div. A, title XIV, §1451(b)(1), (c), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1692, 1693.

## OVERSEAS WORKLOAD PROGRAM

Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XIV, §1465, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1700, as amended by Pub. L. 102-190, div. A, title X, §1085, Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1483; Pub. L. 102-484, div. A, title XIII, §1353, Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2559, which related to eligibility of a firm of any member nation of North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) or of any major non-NATO ally to bid on any contract for maintenance, repair, or overhaul of equipment of the Department of Defense to be awarded under competitive procedures as part of the Overseas Workload Program, was repealed and restated in section 2349 of this title by Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title XIV, §1431(a)(1), (b)(1), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1832, 1833. Similar provisions were contained in the following authorization or appropriation acts:

Pub. L. 102-396, title IX, §9130, Oct. 6, 1992, 106 Stat. 1935, as amended by Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title XIV, §1431(b)(2), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1833.

Pub. L. 102-172, title VIII, §8122, Nov. 26, 1991, 105 Stat. 1205.

Pub. L. 101-511, title VIII, §8003, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1873.

Pub. L. 100-180, div. A, title X, §1021, Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1143.

## §2342. Cross-servicing agreements

(a)(1) Subject to section 2343 of this title and to the availability of appropriations, and after consultation with the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense may enter into an agreement described in paragraph (2) with any of the following:

(A) The government of a North Atlantic Treaty Organization country.

(B) A subsidiary body of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.