agreement, and which permitted services, including overhauling, repairs, alterations and installation of equipment, to be furnished only if funds to cover the estimated cost thereof were advanced, and permitted the furnishing of routine port and airport services at no cost where such services are without direct cost to the Navy.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1983 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 98-94, title XII, §1219(b), Sept. 24, 1983, 97 Stat. 691, provided that: "The amendments made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect on October 1. 1983."

§ 7228. Merchant vessels: supplies

- (a) The Secretary of the Navy, under such regulations as he prescribes, may sell to a merchant ship such fuel and other supplies as may be required to meet its necessities if the ship is unable—
 - (1) to procure the supplies from other sources at its present location; and
 - (2) to proceed to the nearest port where they may be obtained without endangering the safety of the ship, the health and comfort of its personnel, or the safe condition of the property carried on it.
- (b) Sales under this section shall be at such prices as the Secretary considers reasonable. Payment shall be made on a cash basis or on such other basis as will reasonably assure prompt payment. Amounts received from such a sale shall, unless otherwise directed by another provision of law, be credited to the current appropriation concerned and are available for the same purposes as that appropriation.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 448.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
7228	34 U.S.C. 555f.	June 4, 1954, ch. 264, §3, 68 Stat. 176.

§ 7229. Purchase of fuel

In buying fuel, the Secretary of the Navy may, in any manner he considers proper, buy the kind of fuel that is best adapted to the purpose for which it is to be used.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 448.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
7229	34 U.S.C. 580.	R.S. 3728.

The first sentence is omitted as covered by §2 of the Act of Mar. 3, 1933, ch. 212 (41 U.S.C. 10a). The words "for the Navy, or for naval stations and yards" are omitted, since R.S. 3728 has been interpreted as authorizing the Armed Services Petroleum Purchasing Agency to negotiate contracts for the purchase of fuel, not only when acting as a procuring activity for the Navy, but also when filling the consolidated fuel requirements of the armed forces. The word "may" is substituted for the words "shall have the power to" for uniformity. The words "discriminate and" are omitted as surplusage.

[§ 7230. Repealed. Pub. L. 103–160, div. A, title VIII, § 824(a)(4), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1707]

Section, added Pub. L. 85–43, §1(1), May 31, 1957, 71 Stat. 44; amended Pub. L. 87–651, title I, §125, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 514, related to sale of degaussing equipment

§ 7231. Accounting for expenditures for obtaining information

When the Secretary of the Navy decides that an expenditure by the Department of the Navy from an appropriation for obtaining information from anywhere in the world may be made public, the expenditure shall be accounted for specifically. When the Secretary decides that an expenditure should not be made public, the Secretary shall make a certificate on the amount of the expenditure. The certificate is a sufficient voucher for the amount stated to have been spent.

(Added Pub. L. 97–258, 2(b)(11)(B), Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 1057.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
7231	31:108.	Aug. 29, 1916, ch. 417 (2d proviso under heading "Pay, Miscellaneous"), 39 Stat. 557.

The words "anywhere in the world" are substituted for "abroad and at home", and the words "decides that an expenditure should not be made public" are substituted for "may think it advisable not to specify", for clarity and consistency.

§ 7233.¹ Auxiliary vessels: extended lease authority

- (a) AUTHORIZED CONTRACTS.—Subject to subsection (b), the Secretary of the Navy may enter into contracts with private United States shipyards for the construction of new surface vessels to be acquired on a long-term lease basis by the United States from the shipyard or other private person for any of the following:
 - (1) The combat logistics force of the Navy.
 - (2) The strategic sealift force of the Navy.
 - (3) Other auxiliary support vessels for the Department of Defense.
- (b) CONTRACTS REQUIRED TO BE AUTHORIZED BY LAW.—A contract may be entered into under subsection (a) with respect to a specific vessel only if the Secretary is specifically authorized by law to enter into such a contract with respect to that vessel. As part of a request to Congress for enactment of any such authorization by law, the Secretary of the Navy shall provide to Congress the Secretary's findings under subsection (g).
- (c) TERM OF CONTRACT.—In this section, the term "long-term lease" means a lease, bareboat charter, or conditional sale agreement with respect to a vessel the term of which (including any option period) is for a period of 20 years or more.
- (d) OPTION TO BUY.—A contract entered into under subsection (a) may include options for the United States to purchase one or more of the vessels covered by the contract at any time during, or at the end of, the contract period (including any option period) upon payment of an amount equal to the lesser of (1) the un-

¹ So in original. No section 7232 has been enacted.