

**19.903 Applicability.**

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(b) \* \* \*

(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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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****GENERAL SERVICES  
ADMINISTRATION****NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND  
SPACE ADMINISTRATION****48 CFR Chapter 1****Federal Acquisition Regulation; Small  
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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