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Semiannual Regulatory Agenda

AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (AID)

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Federal Regulations; USAID Regulatory Agenda Semiannual Summary

AGENCY: U.S. Agency for International Development.

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) is publishing this agenda as required by Executive Order 12866, "Regulatory Planning and Review" (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993), and the Regulatory Flexibility Act. This agenda reports the status of those regulations currently under review and gives USAID's plan for the issuance of proposed regulations during the next 12 months. It is expected that the information provided in this agenda will enable the public to be more aware of and to participate more effectively in USAID's regulatory process.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Executive Order 12866 and the Regulatory

Flexibility Act require the semiannual publication in the Federal Register of an agenda of regulations. The Regulatory Flexibility Act applies only to regulations for which a notice of proposed rulemaking was issued on or after September 19, 1980. USAID is required to publish an agenda listing all the regulations it expects to propose or promulgate that are likely to have a "significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities." The Executive order became effective on September 30, 1993, and it is required that USAID publish a listing of all the regulations it expects to have under active consideration for proposal or review during the coming one-year period.

Dated: September 24, 2003. Roberto J. Miranda,

Director of Administrative Services.

Agency for International Development—Proposed Rule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identification Number
3131	USAID Acquisition Regulation (AIDAR) Deletion of Appendix D and Appendix J	0412—AA43
3132	USAID Acquisition Regulation (AIDAR) Creation of Appendix A	0412—AA49
3133	Rules and Procedures Applicable to Commodity Transactions Financed by USAID; Miscellaneous Administrative Revisions	0412—AA51

Agency for International Development—Final Rule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identification Number
3134	Administration of Grants and Cooperative Agreements	0412—AA21
3135	Miscellaneous Amendments to the AIDAR (AIDAR Notice 98—2)	0412—AA30

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Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identification Number
3136	Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Race, Color, National Origin, Handicap, and Age in Programs and Activities Re- ceiving Federal Financial Assistance	0412—AA45
3137	Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension; Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Financial Assistance)	0412—AA47
3138	Adding Vietnam, Cambodia, Afghanistan, and China to the List of Countries Eligible for USAID Financing	0412—AA48

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RIN: 0412–AA43

APPENDIX A

Timetable:

NPRM Comment

Period End

Required: No

Final Action Final Action Effective

Action

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3132. USAID ACQUISITION

Legal Deadline: None

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commensurate to this action.

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Government Levels Affected: None

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REGULATION (AIDAR) CREATION OF

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: Not Yet Determined

Abstract: Appendix A will replace, in

substance, the existing appendix D and

Date

12/00/03

01/00/04

03/00/04

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FR Cite

CFR Citation: 48 CFR ch 7, app A

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3131. USAID ACQUISITION REGULATION (AIDAR) DELETION OF APPENDIX D AND APPENDIX J

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 22 USC 2381

CFR Citation: 48 CFR ch 7, app D; 48 CFR ch 7, app J

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Deletion of appendices D and J of the AIDAR, regarding personal service contracts with U.S. citizens and cooperating country and third country nationals. Policy statements in the appendices will be consolidated into internal policy manuals, and information of a regulatory nature will be incorporated into a new appendix A.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/00/03	
NPRM Comment Period End	01/00/04	
Final Action	03/00/04	
Final Action Effective	04/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3134. ADMINISTRATION OF GRANTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 22 USC 2381

CFR Citation: 22 CFR 226

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This regulation will implement the Governmentwide uniform administrative requirements for grants and agreements with institutions of higher education, hospitals, and other nonprofit organizations issued by the Office of Management and Budget. Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite	
Interim Final Rule	01/19/95	60 FR 3743	
Final Action	06/00/04		
Regulatory Flexibility Analysis			

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: Organizations

Government Levels Affected: None

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Proposed Rule Stage

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RIN: 0412–AA49

3133. RULES AND PROCEDURES APPLICABLE TO COMMODITY TRANSACTIONS FINANCED BY USAID; MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE REVISIONS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 22 USC 2381

CFR Citation: 22 CFR 201

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Various administrative changes and corrections; adding conditions when costs to the free port/bonded warehouses are eligible for financing, and making changes to the two forms found in appendices A and B.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0412–AA51

Final Rule Stage

3135. MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE AIDAR (AIDAR NOTICE 98—2)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 22 USC 2381

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 712; 48 CFR 727; 48 CFR 742; 48 CFR 752; 48 CFR ch 7, app I

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The USAID Acquisition Regulation will be amended to clarify USAID policy on the use of Government facilities and personnel in commercial products, establish an agency policy regarding contract clauses to clarify withholding

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requirements under IQC contracts, revise reporting requirements, and coordinate the agency's academic publication policy with the FAR's Rights in Data coverage by removing it from appendix I into a new part 727. This new AIDAR part will also provide for contractual coverage of Rights in Data in USAID's contracts performed overseas and awarded to U.S. organizations, provide guidance on Rights in Data coverage for overseas contracts with non—U.S. entities, and provide an alternate paragraph to add to the applicable FAR clause to reserve USAID's right to restrict release of data when release may negatively impact the Government's development or diplomatic relationship with the cooperating countries.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/04/98	63 FR 59501
NPRM Comment Period End	01/04/99	
Final Action	12/00/03	
Final Action Effective	01/00/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0412–AA30

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3136. NONDISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, HANDICAP, AND AGE IN PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES RECEIVING FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 42 USC 794; 42 USC 2000d to 2000d—7; 42 USC 6101 to 6107; EO 12250

CFR Citation: 22 CFR 209.1 to 209.13; 22 CFR 217.1 to 217.47; 22 CFR 218.01 to 218.39

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Agency for International Development proposes to make amendments to its regulations implementing title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (title VI), section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1972 (section 504), and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (Age Discrimination Act). Together, these statutes prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability, and age in programs or activities that receive Federal financial assistance. In 1988, the Civil Rights Restoration Act (CRRA) added definitions of "program or activity" and "program" to title VI and added a definition of "program or activity" to section 504 and the Age Discrimination Act. The added definitions were designed to clarify the broad scope of coverage of recipients' programs or activities under these statutes. The promulgation of this proposed regulation explicitly incorporates the CRRA's definition of "program or activity" and "program" into the Department's title VI, section 504, and Age Discrimination Act regulations.

The Department's proposed regulation will be published as part of a joint Notice of Proposed Rulemaking involving up to 24 Federal agencies.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/06/00	65 FR 76459
NPRM Comment Period End	01/05/01	
Final Action	08/26/03	68 FR 51335
Final Action Effective	09/25/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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RIN: 0412–AA45

3137. GOVERNMENTWIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION; REQUIREMENTS FOR DRUG—FREE WORKPLACE (FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 22 USC 2381

CFR Citation: 22 CFR 208; 22 CFR 210

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: These regulations cover suspension and debarment under nonprocurement programs and drug free workplace rules. Regulations are being rewritten in plain language and to eliminate certification requirements.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/23/02	67 FR 3315
NPRM Comment Period End	03/25/02	
Final Action	11/26/03	68 FR 66533

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: Businesses, Organizations

Government Levels Affected: None

Federalism: This action may have federalism implications as defined in EO 13132.

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3138. ADDING VIETNAM, CAMBODIA, AFGHANISTAN, AND CHINA TO THE LIST OF COUNTRIES ELIGIBLE FOR USAID FINANCING

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 22 USC 2381

CFR Citation: 22 CFR 228

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Vietnam, Cambodia, Afghanistan, and China will be removed from the restricted countries list for source/origin/nationality purposes.

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Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	05/06/03	68 FR 23891
Final Action Effective	05/06/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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