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month period of coverage beginning on the earlier of:

(1) The day after sanctions or hostilities end; or

(2) The day after the individual's period of hostage status ends.

(d) OPM will place any funds received under paragraph (c) of this section in an account established for this purpose. OPM will make the disbursements specified under 48 CFR subpart 1632.170 from this account when the appropriate pay period occurs.

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§ 890.1209 Responsibilities of the U.S. Department of State.

(a) The U.S. Department of State functions as the "employing office" for individuals covered under this subpart.

(b) The U.S. Department of State must determine the eligibility of individuals who qualify under Public Law 101-513 for coverage under this part. This determination includes the determination as to whether the individual is barred from coverage under chapter 89 of title 5 U.S. Code by reason of other health insurance coverage as provided in section 599C of Public Law 101-513.

(c) The U.S. Department of State must determine whether eligible individuals are married or single for the purpose of coverage under a self only or a self and family enrollment as set forth in § 890.1203(b). If the marital status of the individual cannot be determined, the U.S. Department of State must enroll the individual for self and family coverage.

§ 890.1210 Reconsideration and appeal rights.

(a) Under procedures set forth by the U.S. Department of State, an individual may request the U.S. Department of State to reconsider an initial decision it has made denying coverage or a change in the type of enrollment under this subpart.

(b) Neither the initial decision nor the reconsideration decision of the U.S. Department of State is subject to reconsideration by OPM.

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Subpart M—Department of Defense Federal Employees Health Benefits Program Demonstration Project

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§ 890.1301 Purpose.

The purpose of this subpart is to implement section 721 of the National Defense Authorization Act for 1999, Public Law 105-261. This section amended chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code, and chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to establish a demonstration project under which certain Medicare and other eligible Department of Defense (DoD) beneficiaries can enroll in health benefit plans offered under the Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Program in certain geographic areas. The legislation was signed into law on October 17, 1998. The demonstration project will run for a period of three years. The legislation requires the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) and DoD to jointly produce and submit two reports to Congress designed to assess the viability of expanding access to the FEHB Program to certain Medicare and other eligible DoD beneficiaries permanently. OPM is authorizing certain differences from regular FEHB Program practices in order to ensure the successful implementation of the demonstration project. This regulation authorizes those differences.

§ 890.1302 Duration.

The demonstration project will run from January 1, 2000, through December 31, 2002.

§ 890.1303 Eligibility.

(a) To enroll in the demonstration project, an individual must live within one of the demonstration areas and meet the definition of an eligible beneficiary in 10 U.S.C. 1108(b). An eligible beneficiary under this subpart is—

(1) A member or former member of the uniformed services described in section 1074(b) of title 10, United States Code, who is entitled to hospital insurance benefits under part A of title