an advance payment under 5 U.S.C. 5524a and this subpart if he or she determines that recovery would be against equity and good conscience or against the public interest under criteria established by the agency.

# Subpart C—Allotments and Assignments From Federal Employees

AUTHORITY: 5 U.S.C. 5527, E.O. 10982, 3 CFR 1959–1963 Comp., p. 502.

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## DEFINITIONS

## § 550.301 Definitions.

In this subpart:

Agency means an Executive agency as defined by section 105 of Title 5, United States Code.

Allotment means a recurring specified deduction for a legal purpose from pay authorized by an employee to be paid to an allottee.

Allottee means the person or institution to whom an allotment is made payable.

Allotter means the employee from whose pay an allotment is made.

Association of management officials and/or supervisors means an association composed of either management officials and/or supervisors with which the agency has established official relationships.

Combined Federal Campaign means an organization of voluntary health and welfare agencies authorized to solicit charitable contributions in a local area in accordance with arrangements prescribed by the Director of the Office of Personnel Management under Executive Order 10927.

Continental United States means the several States and the District of Columbia, but excluding Alaska and Hawaii.

Dues means the regular periodic amount specified by an allotter to be withheld from his or her pay which is required to maintain the allotter as a member in good standing in a labor organization or association of management officials and/or supervisors or other organization.

Employee means an employee of an agency, unless otherwise provided.

Foreign affairs agency means the Department of State, the International Communications Agency, the Agency for International Development and its successor agency or agencies.

Labor organization means a labor organization as defined by section 7103(a)(4) of title 5, United States Code, unless specified otherwise.

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#### GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### §550.311 Authority of agency.

- (a) An agency shall permit an employee to make:
- (1) An allotment for dues to a labor organization under section 7115 of Title 5, United States Code;
- (2) An allotment for dues to an association of management officials and/or supervisors under §550.331;
- (3) An allotment for charitable contributions to a Combined Federal Campaign under §§ 550.341 and 550.342;
- (4) An allotment for income tax withholding under §550.351;
- (5) Up to two allotments for savings under Department of Treasury regulations as codified at part 209 of title 31, Code of Federal Regulations;
- (6) An allotment for savings for an employee assigned to a post of duty outside the continental United States under §550.361;
- (7) An allotment for child support and/or alimony payments under §550.371;
- (8) An allotment to the employing Federal agency to pay an employee's share of Federal Employees Health Benefits premiums, consistent with part 892 of this chapter.
- (b) In addition to those allotments provided for in paragraph (a) of this section, an agency may permit an employee to make an allotment for any legal purpose deemed appropriate by the head of the agency. This authority does not extend to allotments to the paying agency for the purpose of reducing taxable income, except where there is an authority specific to Federal employees (statute, Executive order, Presidential directive, or OPM regulations)