

**INFORMATION PAPER
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Subject: Denton Program – Space-Available Transportation Program

Background:

- The Denton program permits DOD to provide transportation of privately donated humanitarian cargo to foreign countries using military transportation on a space-available basis. The program is authorized under the Jeremiah Denton amendment to 10 U.S.C., section 402. There is no cost to the donating agency or organization for U.S. government transportation related costs.
- The Department of State (DOS), the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), and DSCA/PGM/HDM must certify that the project is in the national interest of the United States, the material being transported is in usable condition, there are legitimate requirements for the material in country and arrangements for distribution have been established.
- There is a minimum load requirement of 2,000 pounds (one short-ton) and the donor must have a designated recipient for the cargo at the destination. In addition, users of this program are made aware that transportation depends on the availability of a military flight between specific origin and destination points, and no assurance of a specific delivery date can be provided.
- After the State Department approves an application from an interested NGO/IO requesting space available transportation of humanitarian supplies; it forwards the request to DSCA/PGM/HDM for action. A website has been established to assist requesting organizations in applying for transportation services. The website address for the Denton Program is <http://hatransportation.ohasis.org>.
- The DSCA/PGM/HDM staff works with the donor, DOS, USAID, and USTRANSCOM to process the application, facilitate transportation, and delivery to the appropriate beneficiary. Once the application is approved by DOS and USAID, the application is forwarded to DSCA to assign a transportation control number (TCN) and forwarded to USTRANSCOM to arrange the ‘space-A’ mission.