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Our experience is that the value for the Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) when issued to individuals, is below the requirement to make an AES filing yet the requirement remains for CBP to inspect. Recommend that the license exception for PPE (TMP, BAG and STA) be treated like all others within the EAR and eliminate the requirement to present the articles being hand carried to CBP for inspection.

The equipment being carried to theater is government furnished equipment (GFE) and the issuing agency may require this equipment to remain in theater in Afghanistan upon the departure from theater, of the contracting employee. Recommend that the signed receipt for returned equipment be sufficient to show that the equipment was returned to the U.S. government agency.

Please clarify that gas masks are a included in the set of PPE and fall under the new ECCN 1A613. It doesn't appear that they are specifically identified.

Thank you.

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