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**SUBJECT:** DoD Nonlethal Excess Property (EP)

**BACKGROUND:**

- 10 U.S.C. Section 2557 authorizes the Secretary of Defense to “make available for humanitarian relief purposes any nonlethal excess supplies of the Department of Defense.”
  - 10 U.S.C. Section 2561 authorizes DoD transportation of EP.
- Excess property (EP) can be provided as a stand-alone project (e.g. donation of a fire truck), in conjunction with a planned HA project (e.g. provision of desks/chairs in support of the renovation of a school), or in support of foreign disaster relief efforts.
- DSCA manages and provides excess property through three warehouse facilities:
  - Marine Corps Logistics Base Albany; Albany, GA; primarily services USCENTCOM, USNORTHCOM, and USSOUTHCOM.
    - The Albany facility serves as the lead warehouse and conducts oversight of the OCONUS facilities.
  - Torii Station (U.S. Army); Okinawa, Japan; primarily services USPACOM.
  - Leghorn Army Depot; Livorno, Italy; primarily services USAFRICOM and USEUCOM.
- DSCA selects, refurbishes (as needed), stores, and arranges for shipment of EP.
- EP donations typically consist of, but are not limited to, furniture, medical and school equipment, generators, tents, vehicles, and construction equipment.
  - Medical equipment provided as EP is normally low-tech to ensure the recipient can operate and maintain the equipment effectively.
- As required by law, EP made available for humanitarian purposes, must be transferred to the Department of State prior to distribution to the recipient country. In practice this means DSCA funds the selection, refurbishment (as necessary), and transportation of the donated EP items to the recipient country, where the property is transferred to the Department of State for presentation to the in-country recipient.
- HDM prepares the annual report to Congress required by 10 U.S.C. 2561, which includes a description of any transfer of excess DoD nonlethal supplies (i.e. Excess Property) under section 2557 during the prior fiscal year.

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