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MEMORANDUM FOR PROCLTR DISTRIBUTION LIST

SUBJECT Revision to DLAD 47.305-1(90) regarding European Union (EU) Restrictions
Involving Non-Manufactured Wood Packaging (NMWP) and Pallets

This PROCLTR supersedes PROCLTR 01-12. The purpose of this PROCLTR is to provide a revision to the language in PROCLTR 01-12 pertaining to the requirements that must be met by wooden pallets and containers used to ship material to Europe, in order to comply with the Emergency Measure adopted by the Commission of the European Communities (CEC) that becomes effective on October 1, 2001. The changes reflected in this PROCLTR are necessary to address the latest agreements of the CEC concerning requirements for the location of markings and treatment of products containing both soft and hard woods. The revised language reduces the scope of the requirement, which provides some relief to industry. Heat treatment and certification requirements are now limited to pallets and containers produced entirely or in part from softwood species of wood, which must be constructed of coniferous material. Hardwood species are only subject to a marking requirement. The revised language is provided in Attachment 1 to this PROCLTR.

The language in Attachment 1 must be included in all solicitations and awards where wooden pallets and containers may be used to ship material to U.S. forces and for Foreign Military Sales customers in Europe and includes shipments moving through the Container Consolidation Points at the Defense Distribution Depots in Susquehanna, PA and San Joaquin, CA, and the aerial ports of embarkation at Dover Air Force Base, DE; Travis Air Force Base, CA; Naval Air Station, Norfolk, VA, and Charleston Air Force Base, SC. This requirement also applies to shipments to the Container Freight Station in Norfolk, VA. All existing contracts that may require material shipments to Europe after October 1, 2001 must be modified to reflect this requirement.

This PROCLTR is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until incorporated into the DLAD 4105.1. The points of contact for this PROCLTR are either Stephanie Pennello (J-381) at (703) 767-1355 or DSN 427-1355, or Joe Maloney (J-333) at (703) 767-3673 or DSN 427-3673. They may also be reached via email at stephanie.pennello@hq.dla.mil, or joe_maloney@hq.dla.mil.

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PART 47

TRANSPORTATION

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SUBPART 47.3 TRANSPORTATION IN SUPPLY CONTRACTS

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47.305-1 Solicitation requirements.

(c)(90) Compliance with European Union (EU) Restrictions Involving Non-Manufactured Wood Packaging (NMWP) and Pallets

The following requirement must be included in all solicitations and awards where wooden pallets and containers may be used to ship materiel to U.S. forces and for Foreign Military Sales customers in Europe, in order to comply with the Emergency Measure adopted by the Commission of the European Communities (CEC) that becomes effective on October 1, 2001. Membership in the CEC includes Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Luxembourg, Ireland, The Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom. This requirement includes all shipments moving through the Container Consolidation Points at the Defense Distribution Depots in Susquehanna, PA and San Joaquin, CA, *the Container Freight Station in Norfolk, VA*, and the aerial ports of embarkation at Dover Air Force Base, DE; Travis Air Force Base, CA; Naval Air Station, Norfolk, VA; and Charleston Air Force Base, SC to the affected countries.

The requirement may be added by incorporation into local palletization clauses, palletization sheets, packaging requirements, or the SAMMS/CTDF, as appropriate. At such time when the requirement is incorporated into MIL-STD-2073-1, its inclusion in local palletization clauses, packaging requirements, etc. will no longer be necessary for solicitations and awards that include MIL-STD-2073-1. Buying activities must continue to ensure this requirement is incorporated in solicitations and awards that do not include MIL-STD-2073-1 where wooden pallets and containers may be used to ship materiel to U.S. forces and Foreign Military Sales customers.

"All wooden pallets and wood containers produced *entirely or in part* of non-manufactured *softwood species* shall be constructed from Heat Treated (HT to 56 degrees Centigrade for 30 minutes) *coniferous* material and certified *accordingly* by an accredited agency recognized by the American Lumber Standards Committee (ALSC) in accordance with Non-manufactured Wood Packing Policy and Non-manufactured Wood Packing Enforcement Regulations both dated May 30, 2001. *All wooden pallets and containers produced entirely of non-manufactured hardwood species shall be identified by a permanent marking of "NC," 1.25 inches or greater in height, accompanied by the CAGE code of the contracted manufacturer and the month and year of the contract. On pallets, the marking shall be applied to the stringer or block on opposite sides and ends of the pallet and be contrasting and clearly visible. On containers, the marking shall be applied on a side other than the top or bottom, contrasting and clearly visible.*"