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SUBJECT: Approved DLMS Change (ADC) 91, Narrative Message Reject for Blank Unit of Issue Field in Materiel Receipt Acknowledgement (MRA) Transactions (DI Code DRA/DRB) (Supply/MILSTRAP) (Staffed by PDC 96)

This forwards an approved change to DoD 4000.25-2-M, Military Standard Transaction Reporting and Accounting Procedures (MILSTRAP). This change is effective immediately.

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**Approved DLMS Change (ADC) 91**  
**Narrative Message Reject for Blank Unit of Issue (UI) in Materiel Receipt**  
**Acknowledgement (MRA) Transactions (DI Code DRA/DRB)**

**1. ORIGINATOR:**

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**2. FUNCTIONAL AREA:** Supply

**3. REQUESTED CHANGE**

**a. Title:** Narrative Message Reject for Blank Unit of Issue in Materiel Receipt Acknowledgement (MRA) Transactions (DI Code DRA/DRB).

**b. Description of Change:** MILSTRAP Document Identifier (DI) code DRA/DRB, MRA transactions submitted with a blank UI field ( record position 23-24) will be rejected back to the submitter by DAASC with a standard narrative message stating: “Unit of Issue contains blanks or special characters.”

**c. Procedures:** Revise DoD 4000.25-2-M, MILSTRAP, Chapter 6, paragraph C6.8.1 as modified by ADC 84, as follows (change is identified by *bold italics*):

“**C6.8 CORRECTING OR CANCELLING MATERIEL RECEIPT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

**C6.8.1 MRA Errors.**

C6.8.1.1 Invalid Quantity (quantity field is blank or contains alphas or special characters):

- DAASC will reject MRA transactions (DI Codes DRA/DRB) received with an invalid quantity field (rp 25-29) to the reporting activity with a narrative reject message stating: “Correct and Resubmit. The quantity in RP 25-29 is invalid.”

- Reporting activities which acknowledged receipt using an invalid quantity are to correct and resubmit the MRA upon receipt of the narrative message reject.

***C6.8.1.2 Blank Unit of Issue***

*- DAASC will reject MRA transactions (DI Codes DRA/DRB) received with a blank unit of issue (rp 23-24) to the reporting activity with a narrative reject message stating: "Unit of Issue contains blanks or special characters."*

*- Reporting activities which acknowledged receipt using a blank unit of issue are to correct and resubmit the MRA upon receipt of the narrative message reject.*

C.6.8.1.3 Other Errors. Activities which acknowledge a materiel receipt in error, other than invalid quantity and **blank unit of issue** fields, will not correct the MRA. However to assure validation of any SDR for the shipment, the reporting activity must identify the erroneous MRA information in the SDR remarks. MRAs with an invalid quantity **or blank unit of issue** will be processed as addressed in paragraphs C6.8.1.1 **and C6.8.1.2**.

**4. REASON FOR CHANGE:** MRA (DI Code DRA/DRB) transactions submitted to DAASC with a blank UI field cannot be processed as DLMS Supplement (DS) 527R MRA transactions due to an American National Standards Institute Accredited Standards Committee (ANSI ASC) X12 syntax edit. ANSI ASC X12 syntax requires a valid UI entry in the 527R, Receipt, Inquiry, Response and MRA, implementation convention. DLA's Business System Modernization (BSM) rejects 527R transactions submitted with a blank UI using Functional Acknowledgment Transaction Set 997. Since Transaction Set 997 cannot be processed by DLSS legacy system customers, and the UI is also a required entry in the DLSS MILSTRAP DI Code DRA/DRB, DAASC will reject DI Code DRA/DRB transactions submitted to DAASC with blank UI using a narrative message indicating the UI was blank and the MRA should be corrected and resubmitted.

#### **5. ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES:**

**a. Advantages:** Improves the MRA process by providing visibility of MRAs with blank UI. Such visibility may help identify a possible MRA implementation problem and facilitate corrective action.

**b. Disadvantages.** May require reporting activity offline processing of the narrative reject to correct and resubmit DI Code DRA/DRB transactions with blank UI fields, however the scope of this problem is extremely small.

#### **6. IMPACT:**

- a.** DAASC changes necessary to generate the narrative reject for DI Code DRA/DRB transaction with blank UI have been completed. As an emergency fix, the narrative reject process has been initiated.
- b. Minimal Component impact.** Component MRA reporting activities which generate DI Code DRA/DRB transactions with a blank UI field are affected, however the scope of this problem is extremely limited. To date the blank UI in DI Code DRA/DRB has only been detected in one Service (Navy) on a very small scale.