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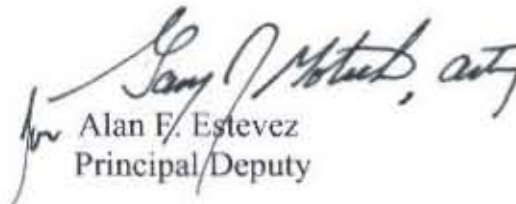
SUBJECT: Moratorium on Demilitarization of Small Arms

The Department of Defense Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2010, Section 8019, continues restrictions on the demilitarization and disposal of certain small arms. The Act states: "None of the funds available to the Department of Defense may be used to demilitarize or dispose of M-1 Carbines, M-1 Garand rifles, M-14 rifles, .22 caliber rifles, .30 caliber rifles, or M-1911 pistols, or to demilitarize or destroy small arms ammunition or ammunition components that are not otherwise prohibited from commercial sale under Federal law, unless the small arms ammunition or ammunition components are certified by the Secretary of the Army or designee as unserviceable or unsafe for further use."

This moratorium does not apply when the cited small arms are:

- o Transferred to legally authorized recipients, such as state and local law enforcement activities and other federal agencies
- o Donated to legally authorized recipients where full demilitarization is not performed, such as veterans groups
- o Non-reparable
- o Small arms components, with the exception of the receiver assembly, which is not considered to be a component

Section 8019 makes it necessary to store and secure the affected small arms during the moratorium. In order to minimize associated costs, impacted organizations are encouraged to pursue storage arrangements that would be most advantageous to the Department.


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