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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL SUBSISTENCE PRIME VENDORS

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SUBJECT: AbilityOne Suppliers on Subsistence Prime Vendor Contracts

As the Commander of DLA Troop Support, I am calling upon you to support the AbilityOne Program not only because it is a requirement in your contract based on a Federal statute, but also because it has my personal commitment and frankly, it is the right thing to do.

Currently, there are various community-based, nonprofit agencies from SourceAmerica and National Industries for the Blind (NIB) identified in your contract as the mandatory source for several items. We anticipate that other mandatory-source items may be added to your contracts in the future. Please monitor these items using the AbilityOne Mandatory Products List for Food and Non-Food Items at:

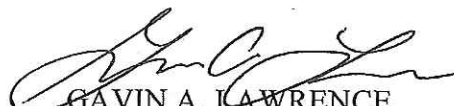
<https://www.dla.mil/TroopSupport/Subsistence/FoodServices/AbilityOne.aspx>

The orders you submit to AbilityOne generate many positives to a deserving segment of the population, including employment opportunities. A real plus for those of us in the Department of Defense is the Wounded Warrior programs active at a number of the AbilityOne agencies, including one operated by CDS Unistel which is the mandatory source for various spices.

Unfortunately, it appears that these mandatory sources are not receiving all the business that they should be receiving.

In support of this effort, I simply ask two things. First, comply with your contract. Second, please communicate any suggestions on how to improve our mutual support for AbilityOne.

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