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MEMORANDUM FOR CONTRACTING OFFICERS AND NEGOTIATORS

TO: Distribution List FAC

From: M/OP/OD, Marcus L. Stevenson, Procurement Executive

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Contract Information Bulletin (CIB) 96-16, dated May 1, 1996, is supplemented by this notice, which should be filed with the basic CIB.

Negotiations on Singapore's accession to the World Trade Organization have not yet been completed. Therefore, I am hereby revising CIB 96-1 to delete the July 31, 1996 expiration date for the eligibility of Singapore's products. Until further notice, consider Singapore to have been added to the list of "Designated countries" as defined in FAR 25.401 and its products eligible for administrative procurements, i.e., those funded by Operating Expenses appropriations for the support of USAID offices in the United States and overseas.

Please direct any inquiries concerning the eligibility of Singapore products to $\mbox{M/OP/P}.$

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The U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) has directed that, pending Singapore's accession to the WTO Government Procurement Agreement, its products shall be treated as eligible products for the purposes of Section 101 of E.O. 12260 and FAR 25.402 through July 31, 1996. This designation has the effect of temporarily adding Singapore to the list of "Designated countries" as defined in FAR 25.401.

In USAID this designation affects certain procurements funded by Operating Expenses appropriations for the support of USAID offices in the United States and overseas. Procurements of program assistance for the benefit of third parties are subject to the eligibility requirements of ADS Chapter 310, Source, Origin and Nationality, and are not covered by the USTR designation.

Contracting officers and negotiators should take immediate steps to ensure that administrative procurements funded by Operating Expenses appropriations are conducted in accordance with the designation.

Please direct any inquiries concerning the USTR designation of Singapore products eligibility to M/OP/P.