

TITLE: CIB 98-07 Eligibility of Hong Kong's Products

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SUPERSEDES CIB 97-25.

After further review, the Office of the General Counsel has reconsidered its advice concerning Hong Kong's status under USAID's source and origin requirements for financing goods and services under 22 CFR 228 and ADS Chapter 310, after its transfer to the People's Republic of China. Based on the State Department's July 9, 1997 guidance on its legal status, Hong Kong should continue to be considered an eligible source under Codes 899 and 935 for the purposes of these authorities.

Accordingly, CIB 97-25, dated October 14, 1997, is hereby cancelled. If any offerors were denied consideration for an award on the basis of this CIB, their offers should be reinstated where award has not been made yet, if such reinstatement is feasible and will not result in unacceptable delays in USAID programs.

Please direct any inquiries concerning the eligibility of Hong Kong's products to M/OP/P.