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General Counsel

**REQUESTS FOR ADVANCE DECISIONS  
OF THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL**



BY ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR

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**AUTHORITY:** Defense Commissary Agency Directives Management Program is established in compliance with DoD Directive 5105.55, Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA), November 1990.

**HOW TO SUPPLEMENT:** Lower echelon units may not supplement this directive.

**HOW TO ORDER COPIES:** Stores needing additional copies will submit requirements on DeCA Form 30-21 to Region/IM; Region/IM will consolidate Store and Region requirements on DeCA Form 30-21 and forward to HQ DeCA/IMSP.

**SUMMARY:** This directive prescribes procedures for requesting advance decision of the Comptroller General, and the concurrence or informal approval of the General Accounting Office.

OFFICE OF PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY (OPR): HQ DeCA/GC  
COORDINATORS: HQ DeCA/IR/DP/DO/IM/IG/RM/DF/PL/AM/PA/PM/CCE/LL  
DISTRIBUTION: DeCA Directorates/Staff Offices  
DeCA Regions  
DeCA Service Centers  
DeCA Commissaries

1. **PURPOSE:** To prescribe procedures for requesting advance decision of the Comptroller General, and the concurrence or informal approval of the General Accounting Office.

2. **APPLICABILITY:** This regulation is applicable to all HQ DeCA and DeCA activities. These procedures do not apply to requests of individual employees in their personal capacities.

3. **PROCEDURES:**

a. **Advance Decisions of the Comptroller General:**

(1) All requests for an advance decision of the Comptroller General of the United States will be forwarded to the General Counsel, DeCA.

(2) Preliminary informal coordination with elements of Military Departments concerned with, or affected by, the requested decision may be effected when appropriate. Formal concurrence of the Military Departments, when required, will be obtained by Headquarters DeCA. The extent to which coordination has been effected should be detailed in the letter of transmittal to the General Counsel, DeCA. Recommendations as to further coordination also should be included.

b. **Informal General Accounting Office Coordination, Approvals or Opinions:** Informal opinions or advice from the General Accounting Office will be requested only after coordination with the General Counsel, DeCA.

c. The General Counsel, DeCA will be responsible for coordinating referrals to the GAO with Resource Management or other elements of DeCA and elements of the Department of Defense, as appropriate.