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NOTICE TO THE TRADE – DeCA NOTICE 18-29

SUBJECT: Vendor Stocking Initiative

The purpose of this notice is to advise Industry of DeCA's initiative to explore alternatives to the current vendor stocking program. For the purpose of this announcement, vendor stocking is defined as those services for FDS products not currently provided by the DeCA commercial activity contractor or under DSD orders/deliveries.

DeCA will soon test a different stocking method as an option to vendor stocking. The test will initially involve one store location: Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek, Virginia.

Beginning around June 1, 2018, DeCA will utilize a third party to accomplish the pre-store opening stocking of brand name chill, frozen, and dry grocery products. The stocking of milk, eggs, and chicken are not included as a part of this test program. The test is planned for an initial period of approximately 6 months, and may be extended, as determined by the results of the test.

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