

# **MP5325.7003-3-3 DNAD Exception**

When a program office concludes that domestically melted or produced specialty metal cannot be procured (as described in [DFARS 225.7003-3\(b\)\(5\)](#)) to support the production of a particular end item or component, the contracting officer must prepare a [DNAD D&F](#) for specialty metals. The SecAF may approve a DNAD for an individual contract if a compliant specialty metal of satisfactory quality and sufficient quantity, and in the required form, cannot be procured as and when needed at a fair and reasonable price. This approval authority is not delegable. A Class DNAD requires the approval of the USD(A&S).

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