Naval Facilities Engineering Command. Detailed instructions with respect to such applications are set forth in the Defense Material Disposition Manual.

(g) Disposition of equipment for research. Under the act of September 6, 1958 (72 Stat. 1793; 42 U.S.C. 1891–1893), equipment purchased with research grant or contract funds may be transferred for the conduct of basic or applied scientific research to (1) non-profit institutions of higher education or (2) non-profit organizations whose primary purpose is the conduct of scientific research. An annual report of such transfers must be made to the appropriate Committees of Congress.

(h) Assistance in major disaster relief. Under the Disaster Relief Act of 1974 (Pub. L. No. 93–288) and subject to directions of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, certain excess personal property may be utilized for or donated to States and local governments for relief of suffering and damage resulting from major disasters. Surplus property may also be disposed of to States for sale to small business concerns affected by specific disasters such as hurricanes.

[25 FR 4674, May 27, 1960, as amended at 25 FR 11066, Nov. 22, 1960, 26 FR 12158, Dec. 20, 1961; 35 FR 10008, June 18, 1970; 39 FR 18442, May 28, 1974; 41 FR 26008, June 24, 1976; 47 FR 28371, June 30, 1982; 65 FR 53590, Sept. 5, 2000; 65 FR 67628, Nov. 13, 2000]

§736.6 Certification prior to disposition.

The transfer, sale, or other disposition of a battleship, aircraft carrier, cruiser, destroyer, or submarine shall not be made unless and until the Chief of Naval Operations, in accordance with the act of August 10, 1956 (70A Stat. 452; 10 U.S.C. 7307), has certified that such material is not essential to the defense of the United States.

§736.7 Approval by the Attorney General.

Prior to the disposition, either competitively or by negotiation, to private interests of a plant or plants, or other property, which cost the Government \$1,000,000 or more if real property, or \$3,000,000 or more if personal property (other than a patent, process, tech-

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nique or invention), or of patents, processes, techniques or inventions, irrespective of cost, the Department of the Navy must notify the Attorney General of the proposed disposal and the probable terms and conditions thereof. Within a reasonable time, in no event to exceed sixty days after receiving such notification, the Attorney General will advise the Department of the Navy, whether, insofar as he can determine, the proposed disposition would tend to create or maintain a situation inconsistent with the antitrust laws. In such cases, the Department of the Navy must obtain from the proposed purchaser information regarding its financial status, the anticipated use to be made of the property and any other information as may be required by the Attorney General; the award or final sale must be delayed until the Attorney General advises of his determination.

PART 744—POLICIES AND PROCE-DURES FOR THE PROTECTION OF PROPRIETARY RIGHTS IN TECH-NICAL INFORMATION PROPOSED FOR RELEASE TO FOREIGN GOV-ERNMENTS

Sec.

744.1 Purpose.

744.6 Authorization for release without consent of the owner.

AUTHORITY: Sec. 301, 80 Stat. 379, secs. 5031, 6011, 70A Stat. 278, 375 as amended; 5 U.S.C. 301, 10 U.S.C. 5031, 6011. Interpret or apply the Mutual Security Act of 1954 (68 Stat. 832) as amended, 22 U.S.C. 1750 *et seq.*, and Act of Sept. 4, 1961 (Pub. L. 87–195, 75 Stat. 424), 22 U.S.C. 2151–2406 (2351, 2356).

§744.1 Purpose.

This part implements part 264 of this title and the Technical Property Interchange Agreements between the United States and foreign governments which agreements are designed to facilitate the interchange of patent rights and technical information for defense purposes.

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§744.6 Authorization for release without consent of the owner.

(a) Military equipment including the information essential for its operation,

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maintenance and repair and technical information, known or claimed to be proprietary, which is being considered for release in accordance with §264.4(d)(3), may be released when the Chief of Naval Operations or his designee or a bureau chief or deputy bureau chief determines under the authority of the Act that such action clearly warrants the assumption of financial liability that may be incurred and there is no acceptable substitute equipment or information for which consent to release is obtainable or which is not proprietary.

(b) Where any technical information is released in accordance with this section, such release shall be subject to the conditions of release set forth in §264.4(f).

(c) Military equipment, including the information essential for its operation, maintenance, and repair, known or claimed to be privately owned and for which consent for release cannot be obtained may be furnished to foreign governments in accord with \$264.4(d)(3) without further legal authorization, provided such release is made pursuant to the grant aid provisions of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended, and provided further, there is no acceptable substitute equipment or information for which consent for release is obtainable or which is not proprietary.

 $[24\ {\rm FR}$ 10715, Dec. 25, 1959, as amended at 44 FR 30686, May 29, 1979]

PART 746—LICENSING OF GOV-ERNMENT INVENTIONS IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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AUTHORITY: 5 U.S.C. 301; 10 U.S.C. 5031; 40 U.S.C. 486(c); and 41 CFR 101-4.1.

SOURCE: 41 FR 55712, Dec. 22, 1976, unless otherwise noted.

§746.1 Purpose.

This part implements Department of Defense Directive 5535.3 of November 2, 1973 and 41 CFR subpart 101-4.1, and sets forth the policy, terms, conditions, and procedures for the licensing of rights in domestic patents and patent applications vested in the United States of America and in the custody of the Department of the Navy.

§746.2 Policy.

(a) A major premise of the Presidential Statement fo Government Patent Policy, August 23, 1971 (36 FR 16887, August 26, 1971), is that government inventions normally will best serve the public interest when they are developed to the point of practical application and made available to the public in the shortest possible time. The granting of express nonexclusive or exclusive licenses for the practice of these inventions may assist in the accomplishment of the national objective to achieve a dynamic and efficient economy.

(b) The granting of nonexclusive licenses generally is preferable, since the invention is thereby laid open to all interested parties and serves to promote competition in industry, if the invention is in fact promoted commercially. However, to obtain commercial utilization of the invention, it may be necessary to grant an exclusive license for a limited period of time as an incentive for the investment of risk capital to achieve practical application of an invention.

(c) Whenever the grant of an exclusive license is deemed appropriate, it shall be negotiated on terms and conditions most favorable to the public interest. In selecting an exclusive licensee, consideration shall be given to the capabilities of the prospective licensee to further the technical and market development of the invention, his plan to undertake the development, the projected impact on competition, and the benefit to the Government and the public. Consideration shall be given