

such property. However, the participant shall not use sale proceeds or income to pay for the acquisition, development, construction, alteration or upgrade of real property that is:

(1) Owned or managed by a church or other organization engaged exclusively in religious pursuits; or

(2) Used in whole or in part for sectarian purposes, except that a participant may use sale proceeds or income to pay for repairs to or rehabilitation of a structure located on such real property to the extent necessary to avoid spoilage or loss of donated commodities, but only if such structure is not used in whole or in part for any religious or sectarian purposes while the donated commodities are stored in it. If such use is not specifically provided for in the agreement, such use may only occur after receipt of written approval from FAS.

(g) A participant shall endeavor to comply with §§ 3019.41 through 3019.43 of this title when procuring goods and services and when engaging in construction work to implement the agreement. The participant shall also establish procedures to prevent fraud. As provided for in the agreement, the participant shall enter into a written contract with each provider of goods, services or construction work that requires the provider to maintain adequate records to account for all donated commodities or funds or both provided to the provider by the participant and to submit periodic reports to the participant. The participant shall submit a copy of the signed contracts to FAS.

#### § 1599.12 Subrecipients.

(a) If provided for in the agreement, a participant may utilize the services of a subrecipient to implement activities under this agreement. The participant shall enter into a written subagreement with the subrecipient, and provide a copy of such subagreement to FAS, in the manner set forth in the agreement, prior to the transfer of any donated commodities, sale proceeds, income or FAS-provided funds to the subrecipient. Such written subagreement shall require the subrecipient to pay to the participant the value of any donated commodities, sale proceeds,

income, or FAS-provided cash funds that are not used in accordance with the subagreement or are lost, damaged, or misused as a result of the subrecipient's failure to exercise reasonable care.

(b) If a participant demonstrates to FAS that it is not feasible to enter into a subagreement with a subrecipient, FAS may grant approval to proceed without a subagreement; provided, however, that the participant must obtain such approval from FAS prior to transferring any donated commodities, sale proceeds, income, or FAS-provided funds to the subrecipient.

(c) The participant shall monitor the actions of a subrecipient as necessary to ensure that donated commodities or funds provided to the subrecipient are used for authorized purposes in compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the agreement and that performance goals are achieved. The participant shall provide in the subagreement that the subrecipient must comply with applicable provisions of the regulations set forth in Chapter XXX of this title.

#### § 1599.13 Recordkeeping and reporting requirements.

(a) A program participant shall retain records and permit access to records in accordance with the requirements of § 3019.53 of this title. The date of submission of the final expenditure report, as referenced in § 3019.53(b) of this title, shall be the final date of submission of the forms required by paragraphs (c)(1) and (2) of this section, as prescribed by FAS.

(b) A participant shall, within 30 days after export of all or a portion of the donated commodities, submit evidence of such export to FAS, in the manner set forth in the agreement. The evidence may be submitted through an electronic media approved by FAS or by providing the carrier's on board bill of lading. The evidence of export must show the kind and quantity of commodities exported, the date of export, and the country where commodities were delivered.

(c)(1) A participant shall submit to FAS information, using a form as prescribed by FAS, covering the receipt, handling and disposition of the donated

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commodities. Such report shall be submitted to FAS, by the dates and for the reporting periods specified in the program agreement, until all of the donated commodities have been distributed, sold or bartered and such disposition has been reported to FAS.

(2) If the agreement authorizes the sale or barter of donated commodities, the participant shall submit to FAS information, using a form as prescribed by FAS, covering the receipt and use of sale proceeds and income, and, in the case of bartered commodities, covering the services and goods derived from the barter of donated commodities. Such reports shall be submitted to FAS, by the dates and for the reporting periods specified in the agreement, until all of the sale proceeds and income have been disbursed and reported to FAS. When reporting financial information, the participant shall include the amounts in U.S. dollars and the exchange rate.

(3) The participant shall report, in the manner specified in the agreement, its progress, measured against established baselines, towards achieving the objectives of the activities under the agreement.

(4) The participant shall retain copies of and make available to FAS all barter receipts, contracts or other documents related to the barter of the donated commodities and the services or goods derived from such barter, for a minimum of two years after the agreement has been closed out.

(5) The participant shall provide to FAS additional information or reports relating to the agreement if requested by FAS.

(d) A participant shall submit to FAS, in the manner specified in the agreement, an annual audit in accordance with §3019.26 of this title. If FAS requires an annual financial audit with respect to a particular agreement, and FAS provides funds for this purpose, the participant shall arrange for such audit and submit to FAS, in the manner specified in the agreement.

(e)(1) A participant shall, as provided in the agreement, submit to FAS interim and final evaluations of the implementation of the agreement. Unless otherwise provided in the agreement, the evaluations shall be submitted at the mid-point and end-point of the im-

plementation period. The participant shall arrange for the evaluations to be conducted by an independent third party that:

(i) Is financially and legally separate from the participant's organization;

(ii) Has staff with demonstrated knowledge, analytical capability, language skills and experience in conducting evaluations of development programs involving agriculture, education, and nutrition;

(iii) Uses acceptable analytical frameworks such as comparison with non-project areas, surveys, involvement of stakeholders in the evaluation, and statistical analyses;

(iv) Uses local consultants, as appropriate, to conduct portions of the evaluation; and

(v) Provides a detailed outline of the evaluation, major tasks, and specific schedules prior to initiating the evaluation.

(2) Receipt by FAS of the evaluations referred to in paragraph (e)(1) of this section is a condition for the participant to retain any funds provided by FAS to carry out the evaluations.

(f) A participant shall submit to FAS the financial reports and information outlined in §3019.52 of this title. The agreement will specify the acceptable forms and time requirements for submission.

**§ 1599.14 Noncompliance with an agreement.**

If a participant fails to comply with a term of an agreement, FAS may take one or more of the enforcement actions set forth in §3019.62 of this title and, if appropriate, initiate a claim against the participant. FAS may also initiate a claim against a participant if the donated commodities are damaged or lost or the sale proceeds, income, or FAS-provided funds are lost due to an action or omission of the participant.

**§ 1599.15 Suspension, termination, and closeouts of agreements.**

(a) An agreement may be suspended or terminated by FAS if it determines that:

(1) The continuation of the assistance provided under the agreement is no longer necessary or desirable; or