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**History.** This publication has been reorganized to make it compatible with the

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**Summary.** This revision updates the mission and functions of the Department of the Army Acquisition Management Review Agency (DAAMRA).

**Applicability.** See paragraph 1-2.

**Proponent and exception authority.** Not applicable.:CTRLSYS.

See paragraph 1-3.:SUPPL.

Supplementation of this regulation is prohibited unless prior approval is obtained from HQDA (SARDA), WASH DC 20310.:INTERCH.

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**Suggested Improvements.** The proponent agency of this regulation is the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Research, Development, and Acquisition). Users are invited to send comments and suggested improvements on DA Form 2028 (Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms) directly to HQDA (SARDA), WASH DC 20310.

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## 1. Purpose

This regulation sets forth the mission and principal functions of the Department of the Army Acquisition Management Review Agency (DAAMRA), a field operating agency of the office, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Research, Development, and Acquisition). It prescribes command and staff relationships with the Army, the Department of Defense (DOD), and other Government agencies.

## 2. Applicability.

This regulation applies to all elements of the Active Army, the Army National Guard (ARNG), and the US Army Reserve (USAR) who are engaged in central or local acquisition and in contract administration.

## 3. Impact on the New Manning System.

This regulation does not contain information that affects the New Manning System.

## 4. References.

AR 715-11 (Army Acquisition Management Review Program) is required publication. (Cited in paras 7 and 8.)

## 5. Explanation of Terms.

*a. Acquisition.* The process from definition of the need through fulfillment of the need; that is, the total process.

*b. Contracting.* The process of purchasing services, supplies, and equipment.

*c. Production.* The conversion of raw materials into products or components through a series of manufacturing processes. It includes the functions of production engineering, controlling, quality assurance, and the determination of resource requirements.

## 6. Concept of operation.

The Assistant Secretary of the Army (Research, Development, and Acquisition) (ASA(RDA)) has responsibility for acquisition management assisted by appropriate Army Staff elements. This responsibility involves total management of the Army acquisition process to include the required program controls in development and production. A primary means of exercising this responsibility is the review of—

- a.* Acquisition or contracting activities.
- b.* Acquisition management control processes.
- c.* The management of production functions including production plans.
- d.* Acquisition strategies.
- e.* Contract structures.

## 7. Mission.

The mission of the DAAMRA is to—

*a.* Administer and conduct the Army Acquisition Management Review Program as established under AR 715-11. This includes conducting systematic reviews of acquisition management to determine the effectiveness and efficiency of the acquisition process Army-wide. It also includes recommending improvements to policies and procedures relating to acquisition management.

*b.* Manage and review the production function for the Army.

## 8. Functions.

DAAMRA will perform the following program monitoring and review functions:

*a.* Monitor the execution of the Army Acquisition Management Review Program by the heads of contracting activities (HCAs).

*b.* Conduct surveys (or in-depth reviews) at major Army command (MACOM) and field procurement office levels to evaluate the need for improvement in Army acquisition and contracting policies, procedures, and processes. Submit the results of these surveys and reviews in written reports to the ASA(RDA) and to managers of reviewed activities recommending management improvements as needed. The frequency of these reviews and surveys will be decided by the ASA(RDA) as recommended by the Director, DAAMRA.

*c.* Assist managers in achieving improvements by aiding in the development of suitable approaches to resolve problems.

*d.* Perform appropriate followup action or coordination to assure the implementation of approved recommendations. This will include coordination of review activities with the Office of The Inspector General (OTIG) and other internal review agencies to identify the areas of special interest to be examined during inspections.

*e.* Act as the focal point in the Office, Secretary of the Army (OSA) for the review of production plans. Oversee the review of production plans by MACOMs and program managers.

*f.* As the representative of the ASA(RDA), participate in—

- (1) Program and/or production readiness reviews.
- (2) Program management reviews.
- (3) Program control procedures.
- (4) Procurement strategies.

*g.* Review contracts on selected programs.

*h.* As directed by the ASA(RDA), perform special reviews on acquisition matters of special interest to HQDA agencies.

*i.* Provide a medium through which Army elements can rapidly surface the need for improved acquisition and contracting practices. Identify policies or procedures having an adverse impact on Army programs.

*j.* Obtain and analyze information that can improve acquisition management.

*k.* Provide the ASA(RDA) with the following:

- (1) Assessments of significant problems related to acquisition policy, procedures, or methods based on the results of field reviews.
- (2) Objective information in the implementation of acquisition policy at all management levels.
- (3) A summary assessment of the acquisition process and the efficiency and effectiveness of Army acquisition management.

*l.* Perform other functions associated with execution of the Army Acquisition Management Review Program as set forth in AR 715-11. This includes submitting reports and taking part in joint Service or special reviews.

## 9. Relationships.

*a.* DAAMRA is authorized to request the following:

- (1) Information, data, and logistical support for Army activities.
- (2) Temporary augmentation of personnel resources to assist DAAMRA in performing surveys and reviews.

*b.* DAAMRA will maintain close coordination with OTIG, the US Army Audit Agency, and MACOMs regarding schedules of surveys and reviews and the exchange of information.

*c.* Direct communication between DAAMRA and Army elements, DOD, and other Government agencies is authorized.

*d.* DAAMRA will maintain close coordination with the appropriate Army Staff elements for acquisition related actions.

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