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MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY FOR  
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SUBJECT: Revision Security Assistance Management Manual (SAMM) Section C11.3.6. "Joint Visual Inspection of Excess Defense Articles", DSCA Policy 20-30 [E-Change 481]

Effective immediately, this memorandum revises the Security Assistance Management Manual (SAMM) process for Joint Visual Inspection of Excess Defense Articles in Chapter 11 Special Programs and Services. Allowing inspection of an excess item in advance of the authorized transfer provides prospective partners and the cognizant Implementing Agency with useful information when deciding how to proceed with a possible transfer.

If you have any questions concerning this guidance, please contact Mr. Paul Gray, [paul.o.gray.civ@mail.mil](mailto:paul.o.gray.civ@mail.mil) or (703) 697-9637.

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## Security Assistance Management Manual (SAMM) E-Change 480

Revise C11.3.6 as follows:

**C11.3.6. Joint Visual Inspection (JVI) of EDA.** Countries are encouraged to inspect excess defense articles prior to delivery. An inspection can occur before or after an EDA transfer has been authorized. If an inspection occurs before the transfer is authorized, the IA must make every reasonable effort to ensure the partner nation understands that conducting the inspection is not a promise or guarantee by the U.S. government to transfer the inspected item. Countries must pay for their participation in a JVI. Countries can request a JVI by submitting a written request to the appropriate IA. IAs must provide written notice to DSCA and the Department of State at least 30 days prior to conducting the JVI. This provides an opportunity for DSCA and the Department of State to ensure that performing the JVI is consistent with U.S. national security and foreign policy. The notice must include the country name, the item(s) to be inspected, and the known or approximate dates when the JVI will occur. The notice must be sent to the DSCA Country Portfolio Director, the DSCA EDA Program Manager, and the Department of State ([PM\\_RSATFMSTeam@state.gov](mailto:PM_RSATFMSTeam@state.gov)).