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#### 5125.7003-3 Exceptions.

(b)(5)(i)(*l*) The Secretary of the Army, on a nondelegable basis, is responsible for approving all domestic nonavailability determinations under 10 U.S.C. 2533b that apply to only one contract. (See DFARS 225.7003-3(b)(5)(i).) The Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics) (USD(AT&L)), on a nondelegable basis, is responsible for approving determinations that apply to more than one contract, see DFARS 225.7003-3(b)(5)(ii). The USD(AT&L), on a nondelegable basis, is responsible for approving national security waivers under DFARS 225.7003-3(d). In all cases, the contracting officer shall not release the solicitation until the Secretary approves the determination.

(*2*) Follow the procedures at 5125.7002-2 when submitting a request for an exception to restrictions on acquisition of specialty metals.