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SUBJECT: After action report, Support for NATO exercise Battle Griffin 99

1. The following information is provided in accordance with the Contingency Operational Contracting Support Programs, AFFARS Appendix CC-502-4 (a)(3). This report covers the period 17 Jan 99 through 15 Mar 99.
2. Introduction: The 89th Contracting Squadron was notified of this deployment on approximately 22 Dec 98. At that time this exercise was considered a classified deployment. The mission was to support the 440th TALCE from Gen. Billy Mitchell Field, Madison, Wisconsin.
3. General Information:
 - a. Contracting support and associated duties were to be provided by one contingency contracting officer (CCO).
 - b. Upon notification of the deployment, I tried to find out who my finance counterpart was. It was explained to me that a finance representative would not deploy and that I would purchase everything with the Government IMPAC card. I contacted MSgt. Vivian at HQ AMC to inquire about this arrangement and was given Lt. Col. Dennis Hink as a point of contact at Billy Mitchell Field. Upon contacting Col. Hink, he transferred \$20,000.00 to my IMPAC card by certifying and faxing me a copy of an AF Form 616 to this office.
 - c. Arrangements were made to meet the ADVON Team in Chicago and fly to Værnes Air Station, Størdal, Norway together. Upon landing at Copenhagen Airport, Denmark, the TALCE commander, Maj. Mike Pierce, presented me with a Host Nation agreement between the United States Air Force and the country of Norway. The agreement outlined the support that the Værnes Air Station would provide to the TALCE unit for the duration of the deployment. I was asked to review the agreement from a contracting point of view and brief Maj. Pierce upon arrival in Norway.

- d. According to the Host Nation Support Agreement, the purchasing department at Værnes AS was to provide all contracting support to the US Forces deployed to Norway for the exercise. I explained to Maj. Pierce that I did not need to be there. Maj. Pierce asked me to stay and act as a liaison between the TALCE and the Værnes purchasing department.
 - e. Upon meeting with Ms. Dahl and Capt. Paul at Værnes, we determined that the TALCE would "piggyback " off existing contracts already in place to support the II Marine Expeditionary Force (II MEF). The contracts had been established in early November 1998 to provide services such as uniform laundry, cell phone leasing, and rental vehicles. Maj. Pierce handled the hotel reservations prior to departing the US. All rooms would be paid for by each individual using their Government credit card. Arrangements for personal laundry were made through the hotel management.
 - f. Both the Værnes purchasing department and the CCO maintained a list of purchases relating to the 440th TALCE.
4. Areas of Concern or Consideration:
- a. Ensure that the CCO is aware of any Host Nation Support Agreements, prior to departure.
 - b. The CCO should be aware of where the funding will come from prior to departure.
5. Any questions may be directed to SSgt. Craig A. McIntosh at DSN: 858-2315.

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