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539.1 OVERVIEW

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This chapter specifies policies and procedures for USAID’s participation in schools identified as “dependent schools abroad”. Dependent schools abroad are defined as those schools where U.S. Government dependents are enrolled.

539.2 PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES

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a. The **Director, Bureau for Management, Office of Management Services (M/MS)** has delegated responsibility for administering USAID participation in the Overseas Schools Program to the Chief, Overseas Management Division (M/MS/OMD). The authority for this program is found in 2 FAM 611.7 and indicates: The Overseas Schools Program derives its authority from:

- 1) Section 29 of the Department of State Basic Authorities Act of 1956, as amended by the Foreign Service Act of 1980;
- 2) The Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended (Sections 636(c) and 636(d)); and
- 3) The Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, as amended (Section 102(b)(3)).

b. The **Chief, Bureau for Management, Office of Management Services, Overseas Management Division (M/MS/OMD)**, is responsible for administering the Overseas School Program as authorized under Sections 636(c) and 636(d) of the Foreign Assistance Act (FAA) of 1961, as amended (see Foreign Assistance Act (FAA) of 1961, as amended, Sections 636(c) and 636(d)). The incumbent also serves as the USAID representative on the Department of State Overseas Schools Policy Committee (see 2 FAM 612.2).

539.3 POLICY DIRECTIVES AND REQUIRED PROCEDURES

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USAID must adhere to the Overseas School Program in accordance with 2 FAM 600-655 (see 2 FAM 600-655).

539.4 MANDATORY REFERENCES

539.4.1 External Mandatory References

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- a. [2 FAM 600, Overseas Schools Program](#)
- b. [2 FAM 610, Elementary and Secondary Education Abroad](#)
- c. [2 FAM 620, Educational Facility Reporting Requirements](#)
- d. [2 FAM 630, Standard Provisions of the Award Under 22 U.S.C. 2701 \(Section 29 of the Department Of State Basic Authorities Act of 1956, as amended by the Foreign Service Act of 1980\)](#)
- e. [2 FAM 640, Standard Provisions of the Award Under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as Amended](#)
- f. [2 FAM 650, Standard Provisions of the Award Under the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act Of 1961, as Amended](#)
- g. [Foreign Assistance Act \(FAA\) of 1961, as amended, Sections 636\(c\) and 636\(d\)](#)

539.4.2 Internal Mandatory References

Effective Date: 04/22/1996

There are no Internal Mandatory references for this chapter.

539.5 ADDITIONAL HELP

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There are no Additional Help documents for this chapter.

539.6 DEFINITIONS

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There are no definitions for this chapter.

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