



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
448TH SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT WING (AFMC)  
TINKER AIR FORCE BASE OKLAHOMA

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

The Honorable Mira Ricardel  
Under Secretary for Export Administration Bureau of Industry and Security,  
U.S Department of Commerce  
Washington, DC 20230

FROM: 448 Supply Chain Management Wing (448 SCMW)

SUBJECT: Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS), Office of Technology Evaluation Support Kick Off Letter

1. Request the support of the Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS), Office of Technology Evaluation in the initiation of steps to secure a future, multi-year, comprehensive supply chain network assessment of U.S. Air Force systems supported by the 448 SCMW.

- a) The principal goal of this joint effort is to gain a better understanding of the commercial supply network which interacts with critical maintenance, repair and overhaul activities.
- b) The 448 SCMW is headquartered at Tinker Air Force base in Oklahoma City, OK, and will be the unit responsible for coordinating this effort. This virtual organization has facilities at three U.S. Air Force Bases: Tinker, Hill, and Warner Robins.

2. The proposed BIS survey and assessment would cover prime contractor, subcontractor and lower tier organizations supporting U.S. Air Force systems including aircraft, aircraft engines, space and communication systems, and subsystems.

- a) Topics to be addressed would include supply chain deficiencies, manufacturing capabilities, surge responsiveness, foreign sourcing/dependencies, financial performance, strategic and specialty materials, workforce issues and other mutually agreeable subjects.

3. For the purpose of conducting this ground breaking cooperation, the 448 SCMW is prepared to enter into an interagency agreement with BIS with the intent to secure the necessary funding and technical support as needed to fully implement a future execution agreement. This is a priority project for the 448 SCMW as our joint cooperation will enhance national security by lowering sustainment costs and improving the readiness of the Air Force systems utilized by the warfighter.

4. The point of contact for the project is Ulrik Petersen, (405) 734-4302. I appreciate your consideration of this request and look forward to the opportunity to work with BIS on this effort.

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