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Dear Ms. Patel,

Thank you for your letter dated May 9, 2012 regarding national regulatory frameworks relevant to private military companies and private security companies. In response to your request, we have provided copies of the following statutes and regulations.

Laws and Regulations Specifically Tailored to the Provision of Private Security Services

  - Pub. L. 111-84, § 813 (NDAA 2010, Contracts in Iraq and Afghanistan)
- Pub. L. 111-84, § 1038 (NDAA 2010, Contractor Interrogations)
- Pub. L. 111-117, § 7006 (Local Guard Contracts – Department of State)
- 32 C.F.R. § 159 (Private Security Contractors Operating in Contingency Operations)
- Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) 225.370 (Contractors Performing Private Security Functions)
  - DFARS 252.225-7038 (contract provision)
- Department of Defense Instruction (DODI) 3020.50 (Private Security Contractors Operating in Contingency Operations, Humanitarian or Peace Operations, or Other Military Operations or Exercises)

Generally Applicable Laws and Regulations with Implications for Private Security Companies and their Employees

- 10 U.S.C. § 802 (Application of the Uniform Code of Military Justice to Contractors)
• 18 U.S.C. § 7 (Special Maritime and Territorial Jurisdiction)
• 18 U.S.C. Chapter 50A (Genocide)
• 18 U.S.C. Chapter 77 (Trafficking in Persons)
• 18 U.S.C. Chapter 113C (Torture)
• 18 U.S.C. § 2441 (War Crimes)
• 18 U.S.C. § 2442 (Child Soldiers)
• 18 U.S.C. § 3261-3267 (Military Extraterritorial Jurisdiction Act)
• 22 U.S.C. Chapter 39 (Arms Export Control Act)
• 28 U.S.C. § 1350 (Alien Tort Statute)
• 28 U.S.C. § 1350 note (Torture Victim Protection Act)
• 31 U.S.C. § 3729-3733 (False Claims Act)
• 42 U.S.C. § 1651-654 (Defense Base Act)
• 22 C.F.R. § 120-130 (International Traffic in Arms Regulations)
• Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 7.5 (Inherently Governmental Functions)
• FAR 22.17 (Combating Trafficking in Persons)
  o FAR 52.222-50 (contract provision)
• FAR 25.3 (Contracts Performed Outside of the United States)
  o FAR 52.225-19 (contract provision)
• Department of Defense Directive (DODD) 5210.56 (Carrying Firearms and the Use of Force by Department of Defense Personnel Engaged in Security, Law and Order, or Counterintelligence Activities)
• DODI 3020.41 (Operational Contract Support)

We hope you find this information helpful in your work.

Sincerely,

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