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MEMORANDUM FOR ALMAJCOM/FOA/DRU

FROM: SAF/AQC
1060 Air Force Pentagon
Washington DC 20330-1060

SUBJECT: Increasing AbilityOne Contracting Opportunities

The Air Force has traditionally been a strong proponent of the AbilityOne Program, a program that provides employment opportunities to people who are blind or severely disabled through federal government contracts for supplies and services. As emphasized in the 27 Aug 08 OUSD (AT&L) DPAP/CPIC memo (Attachment), I encourage contracting officers to engage with their customers in proactively seeking contracting opportunities suitable for the AbilityOne Program. Increasing AbilityOne awards has the direct and positive result of increasing job opportunities for individuals who have overcome significant challenges, to include our service-disabled veterans who have transitioned to the AbilityOne Program.

As we continue moving forward with strategic sourcing initiatives, I think the prospects for awarding new AbilityOne contracts to meet our supply and operational services requirements are stronger than ever. I also encourage the contracting community to engage in activities this month to recognize October as National Disability Employment Awareness Month. We can have a positive impact, individually and collectively, in supporting the AbilityOne Program while ensuring Air Force mission needs are met.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. S. Correll".

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Attachment:
27 Aug 08 OUSD AT&L DPAP/CPIC Memo