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Elimination of the Paper Copy of the
Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR);
Looseleaf Edition**

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice is to advise users that beginning January 1, 2001, the General Services Administration (GSA) will no longer seek publication of a paper copy of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR). Instead, GSA will actively publish the FAR only on the Internet. The URL for GSA's FAR website is: <http://www.arnet.gov/far/>

DATES: Elimination of the printing and distribution of the paper copy is effective January 1, 2001. Any current or renewed subscriptions will continue until this date.

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