

DENTON (SPACE AVAILABLE) PROGRAM

Mission: The Denton program permits DoD to provide transportation of privately donated humanitarian cargo to foreign countries using military transportation on a space-available basis. The program is authorized under the Jeremiah Denton amendment to the 10th United States Code (section 402). There is no cost to the donating agency or organization for US government transportation related costs.

The State Department, the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), and DSCA must certify that:

- the project is in the national interest,
- the material being transported is in usable condition, and
- there are legitimate requirements for the material and adequate arrangements for distribution.

There is a minimum load requirement of 2,000 pounds and the donor must have a designated recipient for the cargo at the destination. In addition, users of this program are made aware that transportation depends on the availability of a military flight between specific origin and destination points, and no assurance of a specific delivery date can be provided.

DSCA Responsibilities: After the State Department approves an application from an interested NGO/IO requesting space available transportation of humanitarian supplies, it forwards the request to DSCA for action. In circumstances where DSCA or other DoD organizations are the first entry point for requests, the applicant is advised to submit the application to the State Department. An INTERNET site: www.dentonfunded.com is established to assist requesting organizations.

HA/MA Responsibilities: The HA/MA staff works with the donor, State-PM, USAID, and TRANSCOM to facilitate the application, transportation, and delivery process. Once the application is approved by State, a program approval is forwarded to the Director, Joint Staff. The Logistics Readiness Center (JCS J4) then tasks USCINCTRANSCOM to conduct the mission.