Government of India Ministry of Defence D(Vigilance)

Subject: Extension of Orders for Suspension of Business Dealings with Leonardo S.p.A (erstwhile Finmeccanica Group of Companies).

All procurement/acquisition cases in the pipeline with Finmeccanica Group of Companies including M/s Agusta Westland International Ltd., UK were put on hold vide D(Vig.) ID Note of even No. dated 3rd July, 2014. Thereafter, vide D(Vig.) ID Note of even No. dated 22nd August, 2014, a policy for dealings with the Finmeccanica Group of Companies, including M/s Agusta Westland International Ltd., UK was laid down.

- 2. Subsequently, in terms of detailed guidelines for penalties in business dealing with entities circulated vide MoD ID No. 31013/1/2016-D(Vig.) Vol.II dated 21.11.2016, the Competent Authority had reviewed the status of business dealings with the erstwhile Finmeccanica Group of Companies and the Competent Authority had decided that business dealings with the said firm shall continue to remain under suspension. Consequent upon review, the Competent Authority had ordered that business dealings with M/s Leonardo S.p.A shall remain suspended for a further period of six months with effect from 09.05.2017 and that the effect of suspension of business dealings, any exception thereto and extension of suspension, if necessary, shall be as laid down in the aforesaid Guidelines dated 21.11.2016. Business dealings with the said firm continue to be suspended vide orders issued from time to time. The period of suspension of business dealings with M/s Leonardo S.p.A was last extended for a further period of six months w.e.f 08.11.2018 vide orders of even number dated 08.11.2018.
- 3. The matter has again been considered in this Ministry and the Competent Authority has decided to further extend the period of suspension of business dealing with M/s Leonardo S.p.A (erstwhile Finmeccanica group of companies including Agusta Westland) for a period of 6 months with effect from 08.05.2019.
- 4. It is requested that strict compliance of the above decision may be ensured by all Wings in this Ministry and Service Headquarters.

(B. P. Pant) Under Secretary (Vigilance)

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