INTRODUCTION OF A DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING CLAIMS FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF AMMUNITION

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BACKGROUND

The T/PCCs are eligible for reimbursement for ammunition consumed operationally, ammunition which gets expired due to fair wear and tear in the mission area or used in training beyond accepted United Nations readiness standards authorized and directed by the force commander / police commissioner. Presentation of a claim by the Government, supported with an Operational Ammunition Expenditure Certificate (OAEC) from the mission are required for processing the claim. In many instances, the claims are submitted for reimbursement after a significant lapse of time, which results in difficulties in appropriation of funds and also increases administrative efforts for both the UN as well as the Permanent Missions. Therefore, it is recommended to introduce a time limit for submission of claims for expended ammunition, after which the eligibility for claiming/reimbursement shall expire.

PROPOSAL

It is proposed to introduce a time limit for submission of claims to one year after the date of issue of OAEC.

PROPOSED MANUAL TEXT

In COE Manual 2020, Chapter 3, Annex A, para 30, after the last sentence add a new one as follows: "In order to be processed, the claims for reimbursement shall be submitted as soon as possible but not later than one year after the date of approval of the OAEC. After that period, the right of claiming reimbursement for ammunition shall expire”.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with this proposal.

PREVIOUS HISTORY

This issue paper has not been previously submitted to the Contingent-Owned Equipment Working Group for its consideration.