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IDENTIFICATION AND DETECTION OF US GOVERNMENT-OWNED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

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1. **Purpose.** a. This bulletin provides information and instruction, designates responsibilities and prescribes procedures for treating military-owned)petroleum products with covert identification agents, and detecting the presence of these agents in fuels suspected of being stolen or illegally diverted from Army supply activities. The use of procedures (described in this bulletin also will permit criminal investigators to trace a treated fuel to the specific storage activity from which it was stolen or illegally diverted.

b. Equipment and supplies required to apply and detect covert identification agents in military fuels are available through military supply channels and are identified herein for requisitioning purposes.

2. **Scope.** a. These instructions are applicable to all military criminal investigating activities and to commands, units, installations, and activities responsible for receipt, storage, and issue of petroleum products.

b. The use of identification agents in military petroleum products is restricted to ground products, i.e., motor gasolines, diesel fuels, kerosenes, and heating fuels. Identification agents will not be introduced(into these products by the manufacturer at time of procurement

or by the Army at the time products are initially received into oversea ocean terminals of Army petroleum distribution systems.

3. **Recommended Changes.** Users of this bulletin are encouraged to submit recommended changes and comments to improve the publication. Comments should be keyed to specific page, paragraph and line of the text in which the change is recommended.

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4. **Responsibilities.** a. The US Army Criminal Investigation Command (USACIDC) is responsible for the overall administration and control of applying covert identification agents to petroleum fuels.

b. The USACIDC will submit a list of regional and field activities authorized to use covert agents and agent identification extractant to the US Army General Materiel and Parts Center (USAGMPC).

c. USACIDC regional and field activities are responsible for designating the storage locations where identification agents will be applied and the type and

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