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7. My contract requires military source inspection. How can I buy important parts from Canada and yet meet that requirement?

An agreement between the United States and Canada provides for each country's military inspectors to inspect on behalf of the other, at no charge. Your resident military inspector can easily arrange for source inspection at your Canadian supplier's plant by DGQA, Department of National Defense.

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8. I must use only parts which are qualified products to the appropriate MIL specification. Could a Canadian firm become qualified?

Yes. A U.S.-Canada agreement on reciprocal qualification provides for U.S. military agencies to accept Canadian products qualified in Canada, if the specifications are the same.

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9. I've heard of something called the Canadian Commercial Corporation. If I buy from Canada, do I become involved with it?

The Canadian Commercial Corporation is an agency of the Canadian government which exists to accept contracts for Canadian supplies and services, when other countries wish to buy them on a government-to-government basis. By U.S.-Canada agreement, all purchases of Canadian materiel by DoD agencies should be made through the Corporation which accepts the U.S. Defense contract and subcontracts completely for a mutually acceptable Canadian supplier. The Corporation buys for the U.S. military agencies in the same way as when buying for the Canadian government. Defense subcontracts from a U.S. company to a Canadian company do not involve the Corporation and, contractually, are commercial undertakings.