

IPS 1-16 Cloud Services

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Responsible Office: Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO)

New Interim Policy Statement

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1.0 Purpose

This Interim Policy Statement (IPS) supplements *MS 542 Peace Corps IT Security Policies and Procedures* and describes Peace Corps policy regarding cloud services for the Peace Corps. Cloud services are services made available from a cloud computing provider's servers, as opposed to Peace Corps' own servers.

2.0 Applicability

This IPS applies to all Peace Corps offices and posts.

3.0 Policy

The acquisition of cloud services, regardless of the purchase vehicle (e.g., purchases under the micro purchase threshold or contract) must be authorized by the Office of Chief Information Office (OCIO). OCIO will ensure that any contract or other agreement with a cloud service provider is fully documented and addresses key cloud service terms, including provisions for ownership of data, data retention, data sanitization upon contract termination, data dissemination, access to Peace Corps data, data security, data preservation, and any access requirements.

4.0 Effective Date

This IPS will be effective on the date of issuance and will be incorporated into MS 542 at a future date.