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To: Douglas CTR Switzer/ANM/CNTR/FAA@FAA; Cheryllyn Jones/AWP/FAA@FAA
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Subject: (b) (6)
Re: Extension of USAF Academy SOAR #2009-035
Date: 07/27/2010 02:26 PM

Cheryllyn Jones/Douglas Switzer,

The new effective dates for the subject SOAR (#2009-035, ScanEagle Small Tactical Unmanned Aerial System (STUAS)) covering flight operations at the USAF Academy will be 2 August 2010 - 1 August 2011. We will re-issue the SOAR with this effective date next week and forward a copy to the appropriate addressees.

Respectfully,

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From: (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2010 12:51 PM
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ASC/EN will extend the SOAR per your request. Al Owens will be the POC here.

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Sir, allow me to introduce myself, I am (b) (6) RPA/UAS Integration at HQ AFSOC. In this capacity I wear two hats; USAF Lead Command for Small UAS Policy and Procedures, and USSOCOM Lead Component for all things RPA/UAS. I am responsible for requesting and tracking the status of the USAF Academy FAA Certificate of Waiver or Authorization (COA) to support Scan Eagle operations.

On 11 Feb 10, we received the approved Scan Eagle SOAR #2009-035 from ASC/ENSI (Al Owens). We (AFSOC/A3OU) attached the SOAR and submitted the COA application on the same day. Due to the backlog of COAs at HQ FAA, the COA has taken several months to work through the system. With that said, the original SOAR has an expiration date of 11 Feb 11 and the FAA will only approve the COA for the period of the valid SOAR. COAs are normally issued for a period of up to one year and the FAA is willing to approve the COA for 12-months if I can get an updated SOAR. I have sent (b) (6) and (b) (6) and email requesting help on getting an extension but they are both out of the office.

The FAA is willing to approve the USAFA COA for 12-months (1 Aug 10 through 31 July 11) if someone from ASC/EN will send the two individuals below and email stating an updated SOR will be forthcoming in the very near future (after Al and John return).

Sir, would you be willing to send an email verbally extending the SOAR date through 31 Aug 11 (adds 30 days in case the FAA doesn't complete the COA next week)? The actual hard copy extension

can be sent later to the FAA and or us (AFSOC) and we will forward to the right folks.

Email needs to be sent to: Cherlynn.Jones@faa.gov and Douglas.CTR.Switzer@faa.gov

I will follow-up with a phone call today.

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