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The Section 809 Panel is a congressionally mandated panel designed to be a catalyst that restores agility and simplicity to defense acquisition through bold and effective recommendations.

Good morning! We found several articles that you may be interested in.

GOVCON Mythbusters: "Other Transactions" in FedGov
June 24, 2018 | The Pulse of Government Contracting

"Other Transactions" or "OTA" (A for "Authority") - are the newest buzzwords to hit the GovCon streets. So naturally, everyone is confused and nodding their heads in rhythmic agreement. Typical. From reports saying that "OTAs" are a new procurement method, and others saying this is the future of just DoD R&D procurement, we are here to debunk and clarify. You can call us the GovCon MythBusters.

WHAT IS AN "OTHER TRANSACTION"?
An "Other Transaction Authority" (OTA) is essentially how it sounds….it's an(other) way to work with the Federal Government (FedGov). Think of it as the "other white meat" vs. conventional FAR-regulated contracts, grants, or cooperative agreements usually intended to provide goods and services. OTAs are legally binding instruments that are used as a workaround to doing business with FedGov and to engage Non-Traditional Contractor Participation (NTCP) for a broad range of research and prototyping activities. OTs can be defined by what they are not: they are not subject to the federal law and regulations that apply to Government procurement contracts (e.g., FAR/DFARS).

Read more HERE.

Other Articles of Interest

US Air Force announces rocket deal with SpaceX for military satellite
June 23, 2018 | Andrew C. Jarocki

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June 22, 2018 | Timothy McDonnell

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June 22, 2018 | Scoot Maucione

This combo of artillery and missile tech could solve the military's extended range problems
June 23, 2018 | Todd South

The Countries Where F-35 Sales Are Taking Off
June 22, 2018 | Lara Seligman

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June 23, 2018 | Justin Lynch

Can industry help government make sense of artificial intelligence?
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The power of PaaS
June 22, 2018 | Troy K. Schneider

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June 22, 2018 | Mariella Moon

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