16C.051 CONTRACTS WITH RUSSIA OR BELARUS.

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Belarusian entity" means an institution or company that is headquartered in the Republic of Belarus or has its principal place of business in the Republic of Belarus.

(c) "Russian entity" means an institution or company that is headquartered in the Russian Federation or has its principal place of business in the Russian Federation.

Subd. 2. **Terminating contracts with Russia or Belarus.** (a) All state agencies must:

(1) review existing contracts to determine if any existing contracts are with Russian entities or Belarusian entities;

(2) promptly terminate existing contracts with Russian entities or Belarusian entities as practicable; and

(3) refrain from entering into contracts with Russian entities or Belarusian entities unless the head of the state agency determines that there is no suitable alternative.

(b) Nothing in this section is intended to require or encourage state agencies to terminate or avoid contracts with Minnesota companies or other domestic entities, or to relieve state agencies of any obligations under applicable laws, rules, or regulations related to contracting and procurement.

Subd. 3. **Severability.** The provisions of this section are severable. If any provision of this section or its application is held invalid, that invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.

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