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MAJOR CHANGES:

1. Due to the IM reorganization, A/IM/CST/MMS/DIR will no longer be the substantive office for the TAGS/Terms Handbook. Please direct all questions concerning the proper usage of TAGS, requests for new TAGS, etc. to A/IM/IPS/PP on (202)647-6020.
2. KLIP: Logistics Implementation Program, was created and added to Chapter 500. The Current TAGS list was updated also.

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