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Summary: Some confusion has occurred as to whether IMS qualify for lower rate City Pair Air Fares (US government rates.) This confusion is based upon the status of IMS as “grantees”. By law, the US does not have grant agreements with either the IMS or their host government, and FMS or IMET funds are not given to the IMS to purchase airline tickets. GSA attorneys have determined that IMS are NOT considered “grantees”, and therefore are eligible for City-Pair fare.

Action: IMSOs should ensure that their travel offices are aware of this legal determination, and that City-Pair (US Government rates) are used for IMS travel.

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