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Partner Vetting System (PVS) Pilot Program

Vetting of Assistance Awards

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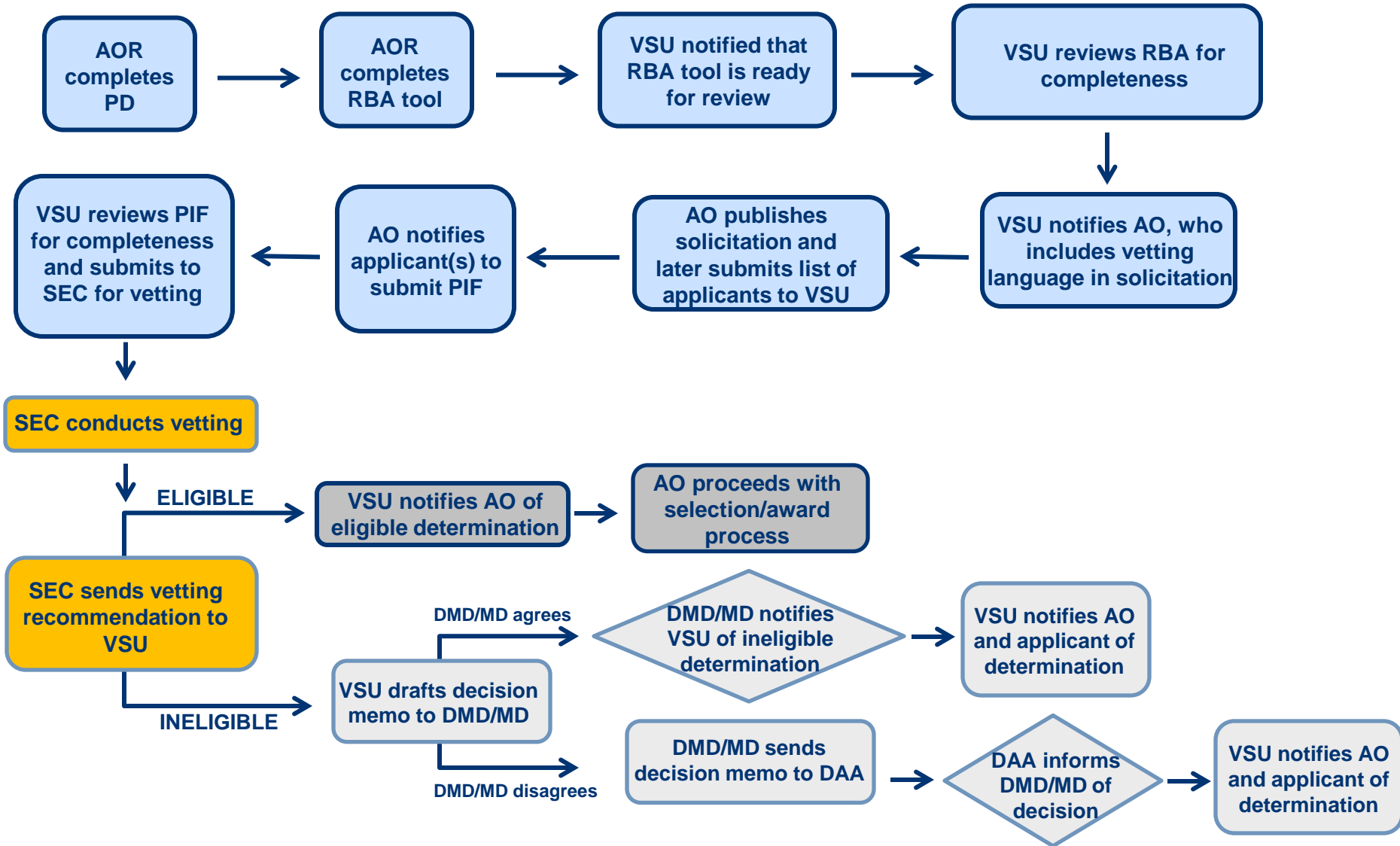
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- **Where:** Guatemala, Kenya, Lebanon, Philippines, and Ukraine
- **When:** Effective July 27, 2015, Notice of Funding Opportunity will notify applicants of the vetting requirement
- **Who:** Apparently successful applicants will be asked to submit information on key individuals (those who have fiduciary and programmatic control) via the PVS portal or by submitting an OMB-approved Partner Information Form. Proposed sub-recipients may submit such information directly to USAID (Direct Vetting)
- **How:** Information is vetted against open source and U.S. Government databases
- **Result:** USAID makes an eligibility determination
- Urgent humanitarian assistance will not be delayed by vetting. USAID reserves the right to vet post-award



Standard PVS Assistance Vetting Process





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Step 1

Step 2

Step 3

Agreement Officer (AO) includes vetting language in the solicitation (RFA)

RFA is published with notice of the vetting requirement

AO reviews applicants using standard procurement criteria; determines final candidate; and forwards final candidate to the Vetting Official*

**The PVS Assistance Rule provides that as a general matter those applicants who will be vetted typically will be applicants that have been determined to be apparently successful. The AO has the discretion to require applicants to submit the PIF at a different stage of the award cycle.*



Standard PVS Assistance Vetting Process (continued)

Step 4

Step 5

Step 6

AO notifies applicant(s) to complete and submit the Partner Information Form (PIF)

Applicant(s) and proposed sub-recipient(s) complete and submit PIFs to the VSU via hard copy or the PVS portal

VSU reviews each PIF for completeness. In the case of direct vetting, the applicant verifies sub-recipient information submitted directly to USAID by the sub-recipient(s)



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Step 7

VSU approves the PIF and submits it to SEC for vetting

Step 8

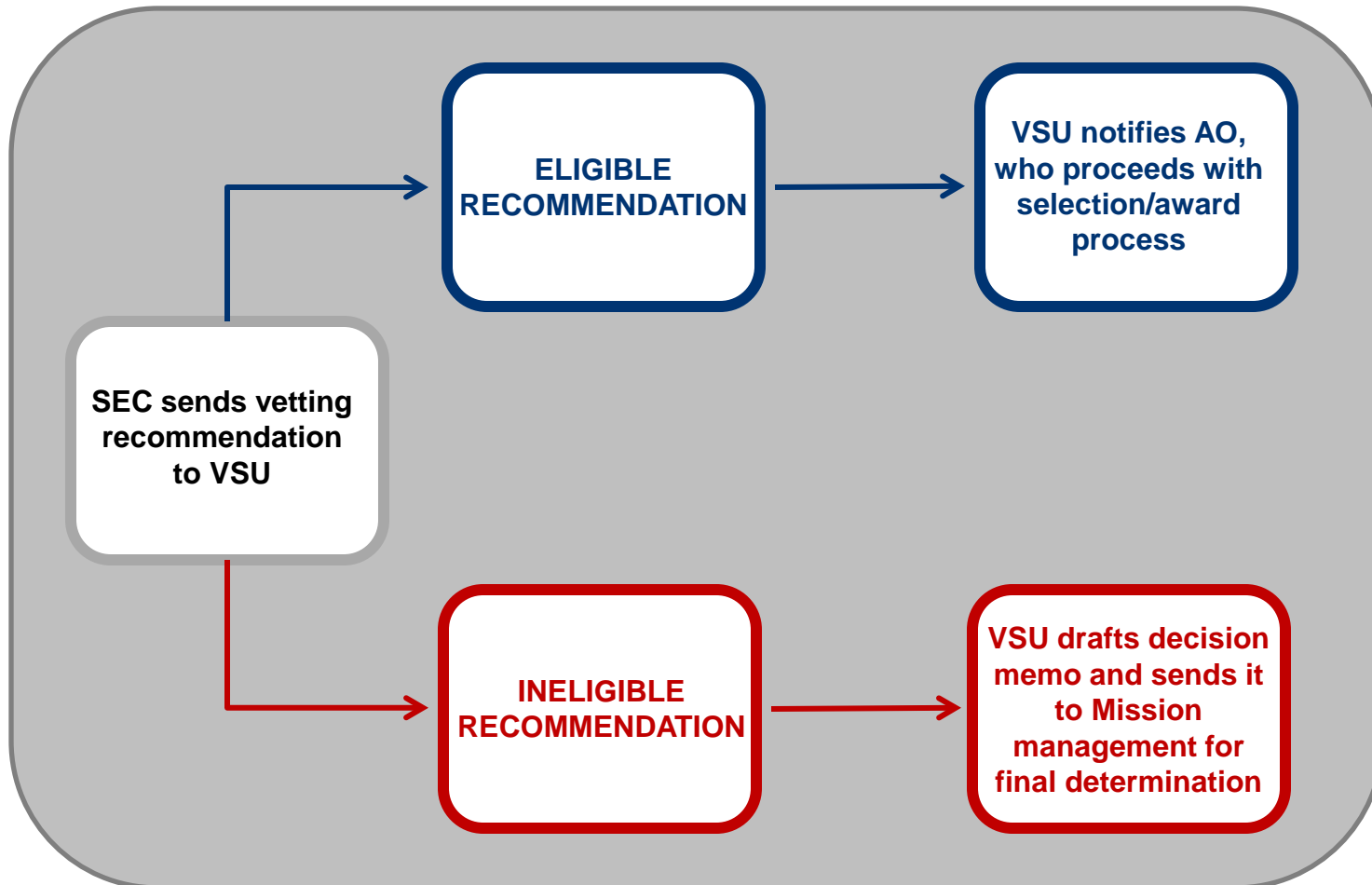
SEC conducts vetting

Step 9

SEC sends vetting recommendation to VSU

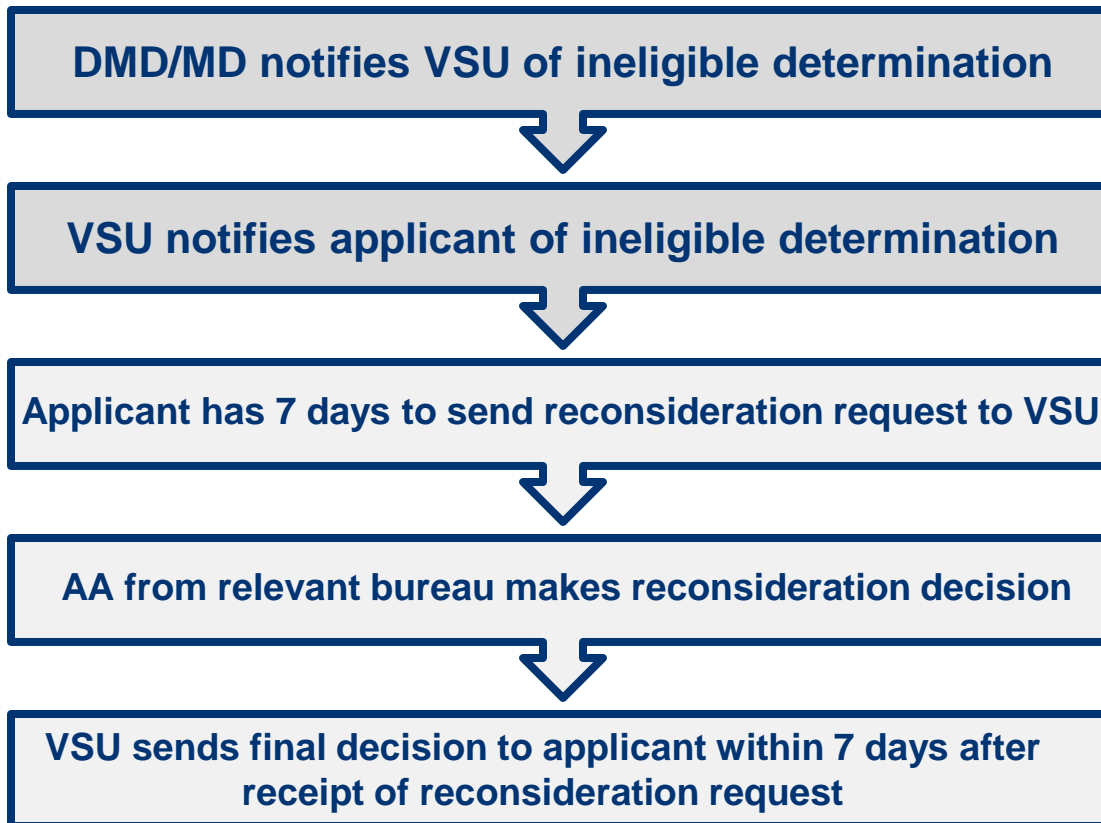


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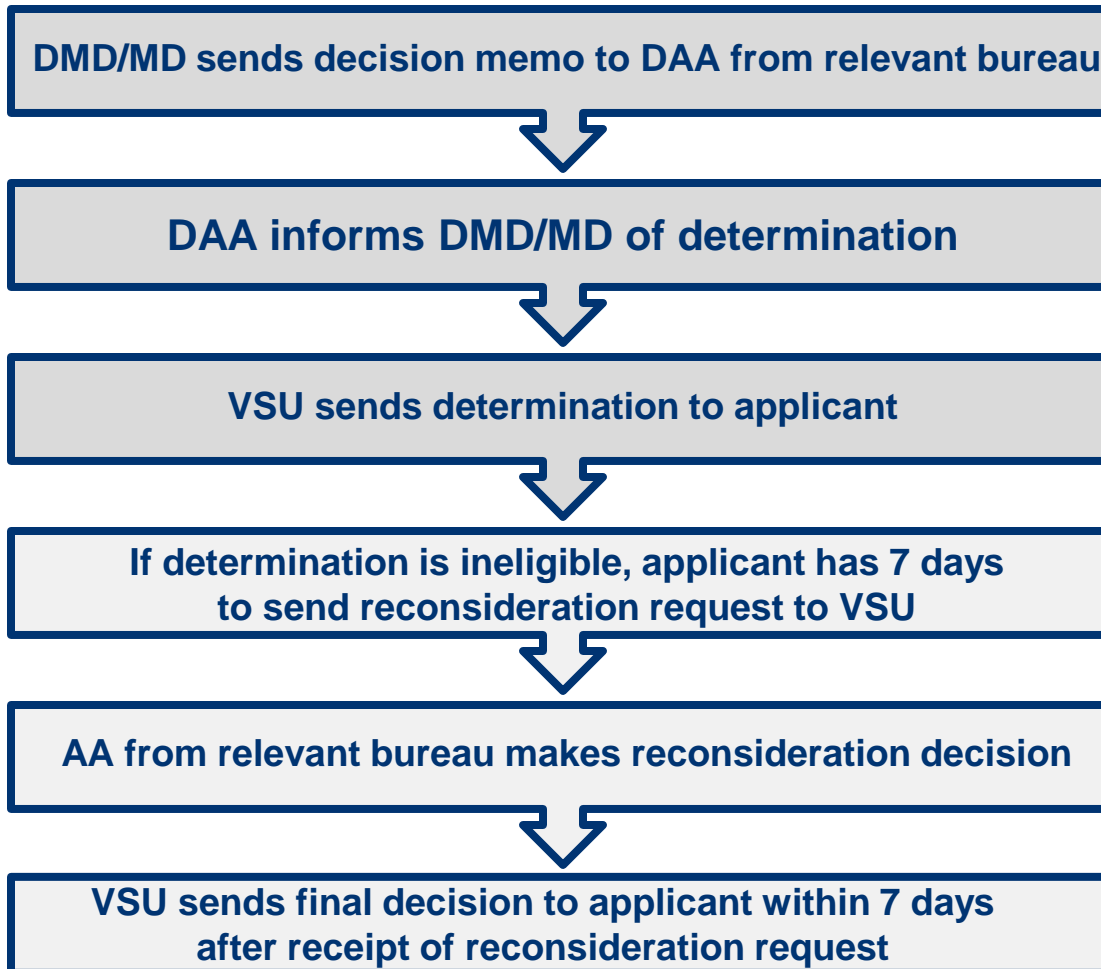


Option One: DMD/MD agrees with SEC's ineligible recommendation





Option Two: DMD/MD disagrees with SEC's ineligible recommendation





- Inform pilot Missions to begin vetting assistance awards
- Issue Procurement Executive Bulletin (PEB) to AOs
- Collect vetting data on assistance awards
- Provide updates to stakeholders, including Congress and the implementing partner community
- Submit joint USAID/Department of State report to Congress on the pilot program after pilot completion



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Questions/Comments?