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**DECISION**



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**THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL  
OF THE UNITED STATES**  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20548

FILE: B-207013

DATE: April 19, 1982

MATTER OF: Armada, Incorporated

**DIGEST:**

Appeal of contracting officer's failure to render a decision on contract claim filed pursuant to Contract Disputes Act of 1978 is dismissed since the Act requires all claims relating to a contract to be filed with contracting officer with appeal to either board of Contract Appeals or Court of Claims.

Armada, Incorporated appeals the "unreasonable withholding of a final decision" by a contracting officer of the Department of Health and Human Services in connection with a claim filed by Armada relating to its contract No. 263-81-C-0032 for refuse collection.

Armada states that its claim was filed under the Contract Disputes Act of 1978, 41 U.S.C. §§ 601-613 (Supp. III 1979). That Act requires all claims relating to a contract to be filed with the contracting officer for a decision and permits subsequent appeals to the board of Contract Appeals or to the Court of Claims. Consequently, we do not consider such claims. Sphere Management, Inc., B-202976, May 26, 1981, 81-1 CPD 411.

The claim is dismissed.

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