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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet M. Hart, telephone 202-720-8525.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This action has been reviewed and determined not to be a rule or regulation as defined in Executive Order 12866 and Departmental Regulation 1512-1; therefore, the Executive Order and Departmental Regulation do not apply to this action.

Section 7(f)(1) of the Act authorizes the GIPSA Administrator to designate a qualified applicant to provide official services in a specified area after determining that the applicant is better able than any other applicant to provide such official services.

GIPSA designated Grand Forks, main office located in Grand Forks, North Dakota, to provide official inspection services, under the Act on February 1, 1995.

Section 7(g)(1) of the Act provides that designations of official agencies shall end not later than triennially and may be renewed according to the criteria and procedures prescribed in Section 7(f) of the Act. The designation of Grand Forks is scheduled to end on January 31, 1998. However, Grand Forks asked GIPSA to end its designation effective December 31, 1995, as a result of a change in ownership and dissolution of the corporation. Accordingly, GIPSA is announcing the end of the Grand Forks designation on December 31, 1995, and is asking for applications from interested parties.

The geographic area presently assigned to Grand Forks, pursuant to Section 7(f)(2) of the Act, which will be assigned to the applicant selected for designation is as follows:

Bounded on the North by the North Dakota State line;

Bounded on the East by the North Dakota State line south to State Route 200;

Bounded on the South by State Route 200 west-northwest to the western Traill County Line; the western Traill County line; the western Grand Forks and Nelson County lines; the southern Eddy County line west to U.S. Route 281; U.S. Route 281 north to State Route 15; State

Route 15 west to U.S. Route 52; U.S. Route 52 northeast to State Route 3; and

Bounded on the West by State Route 3 north to State Route 60; State Route 60 west-northwest to State Route 5; State Route 5 west to State Route 14; State Route 14 north to the North Dakota State line.

Exceptions to Grand Forks' assigned geographic area are the following locations inside Grand Forks' area which have been and will continue to be serviced by the following official agencies:

1. Grain Inspection, Inc.: Farmers Coop Elevator, Fessenden; Farmers Union Elevator, and Manfred Grain, both in Manfred; all in Wells County; and

2. Minot Grain Inspection, Inc.: Harvey Farmers Elevator, Harvey, Wells County.

Interested persons are hereby given the opportunity to apply for designation to provide official services in the geographic area specified above under the provisions of Section 7(f) of the Act and section 800.196(d) of the regulations issued thereunder. Designation in the specified geographic areas is for the period beginning January 1, 1996, and ending October 31, 1998.

Persons wishing to apply for designation should contact the Compliance Division at the address listed above for forms and information.

Applications and other available information will be considered in determining which applicant will be designated.

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Neil E. Porter,

Director, Compliance Division.

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ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT AGENCY

Announcement of the Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Competition for the 1996-97 Academic Year

The United States Arms Control and Disarmament Agency will conduct a competition in 1996 for one-year Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowships in support of unclassified doctoral dissertation research in arms control, nonproliferation and disarmament studies. Law candidates for the Juris Doctor are also eligible if they are writing a substantial paper in partial fulfillment of degree requirements. The fellowship stipends for the Ph.D.

candidates will be \$8,000 plus reimbursement for tuition and fees up to a maximum of \$6,000. Stipends and tuition for law candidates will be prorated according to the number of credits given for the research paper.

Qualified applicants must be citizens of the United States and degree candidates at a U.S. college or university. Candidates are asked to submit an application, a five-page thesis abstract with bibliography, three letters of reference, transcripts of all graduate course work, and university approval of the dissertation topic. The application deadline for the 1996 competition is March 15, 1996. Awards will be for a twelve month period beginning in September 1996 or January 1997.

For information and application materials please write to: Hubert H. Humphrey Doctoral Fellowship Program, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, 320 21st Street, NW., Washington, DC 20451; or call (703) 302-7714.

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Ambassador James Sweeney,

Chief Science Advisor.

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Announcement of the William C. Foster Fellows Visiting Scholars Program for the 1996-97 Academic Year

The U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (ACDA) will conduct a competition to select visiting scholars to serve at the Agency during the 1996-97 academic year. University faculty from a variety of fields are sought, including those in the physical sciences, international relations, economics, engineering, chemistry, biology, mathematics and computer science.

Section 28 of the Arms Control and Disarmament Act (22 U.S.C. 2568), as amended, provides that "a program for visiting scholars in the field of arms control, nonproliferation, and disarmament shall be established by the Director in order to obtain the services of scholars from the faculties of recognized institutions of higher learning." The law states that "the purpose of the program will be to give specialists in the physical sciences and other disciplines relevant to the Agency's activities an opportunity for active participation in the arms control, nonproliferation, and disarmament activities of the Agency and to gain for the Agency the perspective and expertise such persons can offer * * *". Scholars are known as William C. Foster