

trackage rights were to become effect on or after May 10, 1996.

This notice is filed under 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(7). If the notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not stay the transaction.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 32939, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Branch, 1201 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20423 and served on: Eric M. Hocky, Gollatz, Griffin & Ewing, P.C., 213 West Miner Street, P.O. Box 796, West Chester, PA 19381-0796. Under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), the Board may not use its exemption authority to relieve a rail carrier of its statutory obligation to protect the interests of its employees. Section 11326(c), however, does not provide for labor protection for transactions under sections 11324 and 11325 that involve only Class III rail carriers. Because this transaction involves Class III rail carriers only, the Board, under the statute, may not impose labor protective conditions for this transaction.

Decided: May 10, 1996.

By the Board, David M. Konschnik,
Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY

Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition; Determination

Notice is hereby given of the following determination: Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (79 Stat. 985, 22 U.S.C. 2459), Executive Order 12047 of March 27, 1978 (43 FR 13359, March 29, 1978), and Delegation Order No. 85-5 of June 27, 1985 (50 FR 27393, July 2, 1985), I hereby determine that the objects to be included in the exhibit, "Rings: Five Passions in World Art" (See list ¹),

¹ A copy of this list may be obtained by contacting Mrs. Jacqueline H. Caldwell, Assistant General Counsel, at 202/619-6982, and the address is Room 700, U.S. Information Agency, 301 Fourth Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20547-0001.

imported from abroad for the temporary exhibition without profit within the United States, are of cultural significance. These objects are imported pursuant to a loan agreement with the foreign lenders. I also determine that the temporary exhibition or display of the listed exhibit objects at The High Museum of Art, in Atlanta, Georgia, from on or about July 4, 1996 to on or about September 29, 1996, is in the national interest. Public Notice of this determination is ordered to be published in the Federal Register.

Dated: May 10, 1996.

Les Jin,

General Counsel.

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Training Programs in Bosnia; Amendment—Request for Proposals

This is an amendment to the request for proposals (RFP) published on May 2, 1996, beginning on page 19655 and ending on page 19658, concerning media and parliamentary training programs for Bosnia (Announcement Number E/P-96-35). On page 19656, column 1, under Deadline for Proposals the sentence "Faxed documents will not be accepted, nor will documents postmarked June 7, 1996, but received at a later date," is replaced by "Faxed documents will not be accepted, nor will documents postmarked June 14, 1996, but received at a later date."

For further information, contact: Christina Miner, Office of Citizen Exchanges, European Division, Room 224, U.S. Information Agency, 301 4th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20547, telephone (202) 619-5319, fax (202) 619-4350, Internet address cminer@usia.gov.

Dated: May 9, 1996.

John P. Loiello,

Associate Director for Educational and Cultural Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Medical Research Service Merit Review Committee; Amended Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs gives notice under the Federal Advisory

Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., that the Medical Research Service Merit Review Committee, formerly scheduled to meet June 5, 1996, has been rescheduled to meet June 4, 1996, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Central, 1501 Rhode Island Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

The meeting will be for the purpose of evaluating the scientific merit of research conducted in each specialty by Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) investigators working in VA Medical Centers and Clinics.

This meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room at the start of the meeting to discuss the general status of the program. The meeting will be closed to the public after approximately one hour from the start for the review, discussion, and evaluation of initial and renewal projects.

The closed portion of the meeting involves: discussion, examination, reference to, and oral review of site visits, staff and consultant critiques of research protocols and similar documents. During this portion of the meeting, discussions and recommendations will deal with qualifications of personnel conducting the studies, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, as well as research information, the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of proposed agency action regarding such research projects. As provided by subsection 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, as amended by Public Law 94-409, closing portions of this meeting is in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6) and (9)(B). Because of the limited seating capacity of the room, those who plan to attend should contact Dr. LeRoy Frey, Chief, Program Review Division, Medical Research Service, Department of Veterans Affairs, Washington, DC, (202) 565-5942, at least five days prior to each meeting. Minutes of the meeting and a roster of the members may be obtained from this source.

Dated: May 8, 1996.

By Direction of the Secretary.

Heyward Bannister,

Committee Management Officer.

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