

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice No. 2553]

Advisory Committee on International Communications and Information Policy, Public Meeting

The Department of State is holding the next meeting of its Advisory Committee on International Communications and Information Policy. The Committee was renewed in 1996, in order to continue to provide a formal channel for regular consultation and coordination on major economic, social and legal issues and problems in international communications and information policy, especially as these issues and problems involve users of information and communication services, providers of such services, technology research and development, foreign industrial and regulatory policy, the activities of international organizations with regard to communications and information, and developing country interests.

The 24-person committee was appointed by Ambassador Vonya B. McCann, United States Coordinator for International Communications and Information Policy, U.S. Department of State, and serves under the Chairmanship of Ed Black, President, Computer & Communications Industry Association.

The purpose of this meeting will be to hear reports from the working groups on various issues that chart the future direction and work plan of the committee. The members will look at the substantive issues on which the committee should focus, as well as specific countries and regions of interest to the committee.

This meeting will be held on Thursday, June 19, 1997, from 9:45 a.m.–12:30 p.m. in Room 1205 of the Main Building of the U.S. Department of State, located at 2201 "C" Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20520. Members of the public may attend these meetings up to the seating capacity of the room. While the meeting is open to the public, admittance to the State Department Building is only by means of a pre-arranged clearance list. In order to be placed on the pre-clearance list, please provide your name, title, company, social security number, date of birth, and citizenship to Jennifer Texeira at (202) 647-5205 or by fax at (202) 647-5957. All attendees must use the "C" Street entrance. One of the following valid ID's will be required for admittance: any U.S. driver's license with photo, a passport, or a U.S. Government agency ID.

For further information, contact Timothy C. Finton, Executive Secretary of the Committee, at (202) 647-5385.

Dated: May 15, 1997.

Timothy C. Finton,

Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee for International Communications and Information Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice No. 2550]

Shipping Coordinating Committee; Subcommittee on Safety of Life at Sea; Working Group on Safety of Navigation; Notice of Meeting

The Working Group on Safety of Navigation of the Subcommittee on Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) will conduct an open meeting at 9:30 am on Tuesday, June 24, 1997, in room 6103, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC.

The purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the 43rd session of the Subcommittee on Safety of Navigation (NAV) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) which is scheduled for July 14-18, 1997, at the IMO Headquarters in London.

Items of principal interest on the agenda are:

- Routing of ships, ship reporting, and related matters
- Development of measures complementary to the Code for Safe Carriage of Irradiated Nuclear Fuel (INF)
- Revision of SOLAS chapter V
- Ergonomic criteria for bridge equipment and layout
- Navigational aids and related matters
- International Telecommunication Union (ITU) matters including Radiocommunication ITU-R Study Group 8
- Amendments to the Merchant Ship Search and Rescue (MERSAR) Manual (1995 SOLAS/Conference resolution 8)
- Operational aspects of wing in ground (WIG) craft—Possible amendments to the International Regulations for Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS)

Members of the public may attend these meetings up to the seating capacity of the room. Interested persons may seek information by writing: Mr. Edward J. LaRue, Jr., U.S. Coast Guard (G-MOV-3), Room 1407, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001 or by calling: (202) 267-0416.

Dated: May 19, 1997.

Russell A. La Mantia,

Chairman, Shipping Coordinating Committee.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Office of the Secretary****Task Force on Assistance to Families in Aviation Disasters, Open Meeting**

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Task Force on Assistance to Families in Aviation Disasters will hold a meeting to discuss assistance to families of passengers involved in aviation accidents. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Monday, June 9, 1997, from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place in Room 2230 of Department of Transportation (DOT) Headquarters, 400 7th Street, SW, Washington, D.C.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven R. Okun, Task Force Executive Director, telephone 202-366-0140, or Marc C. Owen, Task Force Staff Director, mailing address, 400 7th Street SW, Room 5424, Washington, D.C. 20590, telecopier 202-366-7147, and telephone 202-366-6823.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Appendix), DOT gives notice of a meeting of the Task Force on Assistance to Families in Aviation Disasters (Task Force). The Task Force was established by the Aviation Disaster Family Assistance Act of 1996 to develop recommendations on ways to improve the treatment of families of passengers involved in aviation accidents. The principal purpose of the meeting on June 9 is to examine the role of Federal, State, and private entities at aviation accident sites, as well as to discuss issues facing private and public entities on the treatment of families of persons involved in aviation accidents.

The meeting will be open to the public. Limited seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. The public may submit written comments to the Task Force at any time. Comments should be sent to Mr. Owen at the address or telecopier number shown above. Another public meeting will be held in July, on a date to be determined, in which the public will be invited to testify on issues within the charter of the Task Force.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on May 23, 1997.

Steven R. Okun,

Task Force Executive Director, Department of Transportation.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration (DOT/FAA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the information collection request described below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review. The FAA is requesting an emergency clearance by June 6, 1997, in accordance with 5 CFR § 1320.13. The following information describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden.

DATES: Submit any comments to OMB and FAA by July 28, 1997.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: AST Customer Service Survey.

Need: In accordance with the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (GPRA) and Executive Order No. 12862, which mandate surveying customer satisfaction, the Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation (AST) is proposing to disseminate the "AST Customer Service Survey" to obtain industry input on the Customer Service Standards published and disseminated by AST.

Respondents: The respondents will be approximately 50 representatives of the U.S. commercial launch industry and other industry representatives from related industries such as U.S. satellite manufacturers and users, as well as representatives from businesses and associations which have an interest in our business-related concerns with the U.S. commercial launch industry.

Frequency: Annually.

Burden: 1 hour per respondent, times 50 respondents for a total of 50 hours.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: You may contact: Federal Aviation Administration, Brenda Parker, AST Customer Service Representative, 400 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590.

Comments may be submitted to the agency at the address above and to:

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10202, Attention FAA Desk Officer, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Issued in Washington, DC on May 22, 1997.

Steve Hopkins,

Manager, Corporate Information Division, ABC-100.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Approval of Noise Compatibility Program, DeKalb-Peachtree Airport, Atlanta, GA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces its findings on the noise compatibility program submitted by DeKalb County under the provisions of Title I of the Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act of 1979 (Public Law 96-193) and 14 CFR Part 150. These findings are made in recognition of the description of Federal and nonfederal responsibilities in Senate Report No. 96-52 (1980). On October 3, 1996 the FAA determined that the noise exposure maps submitted by DeKalb County under Part 150 were in compliance with applicable requirements. On April 25, 1997, the Administrator approved the DeKalb County noise compatibility program. Most of the recommendations of the program were approved.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The effective date of the FAA's approval of the DeKalb-Peachtree Airport noise compatibility program is April 25, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Atlanta Airports District Office, Campus Building, Attn: Ms. Lee Kyker, 1701 Columbia Ave., Suite 2-260, College Park, GA 30337-2747, Phone: (404) 305-7149.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice announces that the FAA has given its overall approval to the noise compatibility program for the DeKalb-Peachtree Airport, effective April 26, 1997.

Under section 104(a) of the Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act of 1979 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), an airport operator who has previously submitted a noise exposure map may submit to the FAA a noise compatibility program which sets forth the measures

taken or proposed by the airport operator for the reduction of existing noncompatible land uses and prevention of additional noncompatible land uses within the area covered by the noise exposure maps. The Act requires such programs to be developed in consultation with interested and affected parties including communities, government agencies, airport users, and FAA personnel.

Each airport noise compatibility program developed in accordance with Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 150 is a local program, not a Federal program. The FAA does not substitute its judgment for that of the airport proprietor with respect to which measures should be recommended for action. The FAA's approval or disapproval of FAR Part 150 program recommendations is measured according to the standards expressed in Part 150 and the Act and is limited to the following determinations:

a. The noise compatibility program was developed in accordance with the provisions and procedures of FAR Part 150;

b. Program measures are reasonably consistent with achieving the goals of reducing existing noncompatible land uses around the airport and preventing the introduction of additional noncompatible land uses;

c. Program measures would not create an undue burden on interstate or foreign commerce, unjustly discriminate against types or classes of aeronautical uses, violate the terms of airport grant agreements, or intrude into areas preempted by the Federal Government; and

d. Program measures relating to the use of flight procedures can be implemented within the period covered by the program without derogating safety, adversely affecting the efficient use and management of the navigable airspace and air traffic control systems, or adversely affecting other powers and responsibilities of the Administrator prescribed by law.

Specific limitations with respect to FAA's approval of an airport noise compatibility program are delineated in FAR Part 150, section 150.5. Approval is not a determination concerning the acceptability of land uses under Federal, state, or local law. Approval does not by itself constitute an FAA implementing Action. A request for Federal action or approval to implement specific noise compatibility measures may be required, and an FAA decision on the request may require an environmental assessment of the proposed action. Approval does not constitute a commitment by the FAA to financially