

from a person of authority or standing within the community.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, non-profit or other for profit businesses, non-profit institutions, local, tribal and state agencies. Normally, this form would be completed by responsible community leaders such as school officials, ministers and law enforcement officials.

Annual Burden Hours: 12,500.

Number of respondents: 75,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 10 minutes per respondent.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

This information collected provides the Armed Services with specific background information on an applicant. A history of criminal activity, arrests, or moral offenses is disqualifying for military service. An applicant, with such a disqualifier, is required to submit references from community leaders who will attest to his or her character, attitudes or work habits. The DD Form 370 is the method of information collection which requests an evaluation and reference from a specific individual, within the community, who has the knowledge of the applicant's habits, behaviors, personality and character. The information will be used to determine suitability of the applicant for military service and the insurance of a waiver for acceptance.

Dated: September 16, 1997.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Survey of Air Force Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Contract Awardees, OMB Number 0701-0117.

Type of Request: Revision.

Number of Respondents: 17.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 17.

Average Burden Per Response: 12 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 3 hours.

Needs and Uses: This information collection is a survey on noteworthy Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) accomplishments and commercialization of small business research and development. The information is used to evaluate the success of the program in meeting the objectives of Pub. L. 97-219 and to publicize successful SBIR research and development (R&D) to potential purchasers. Respondents are small business companies who are awarded SBIR dollars to perform needed Air Force technologies. This survey is background for a metric which indicates to the SBIR Program Manager the companies who have commercialized as a result of their Phase II awards.

Affected Public: Business or Other For-Profit.

Frequency: Biennially.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. Edward Springer.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Springer at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503

DoD Clearance Officer: Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary of Defense

Ballistic Missile Defense Advisory Committee

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Ballistic Missile Defense (BMD) Advisory Committee will meet in closed session in Washington, D.C., on September 23-24, 1997.

The mission of the BMD Advisory Committee is to advise the Secretary of

Defense and Deputy Secretary of Defense, through the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology), on all matters relating to BMD acquisition, system development, and technology.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law No. 92-463, as amended by 5 U.S.C., Appendix II, it is hereby determined that this BMD Advisory Committee meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1), and that accordingly this meeting will be closed to the public.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

National Defense Panel Meeting

AGENCY: DOD, National Defense Panel.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and summary agenda for the meeting of the National Defense Panel on September 25 and 26, 1997. In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. No. 92-463, as amended [5 U.S.C. App. II, (1982)], it has been determined that this National Defense Panel meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) (1982), and that accordingly, this meeting will be closed to the public from 0830-1700, September 25 and 26, 1997 in order for the Panel to discuss classified material.

DATES: September 25 and 26, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Suite 532, 1931 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Arlington VA.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Defense Panel was established on January 14, 1997 in accordance with the Military Force Structure Review Act of 1996, Public Law 104-201. The mission of the National Defense Panel is to provide the Secretary of Defense and Congress with an independent, non-partisan assessment of the Secretary's Quadrennial Defense Review and an Alternative Force Structure Analysis. This analysis will explore innovative ways to meet the national security challenges of the twenty-first century.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE AND AGENDA: The National Defense Panel will meet in closed session from 0830-1700 on September 25 and from 0830-1700 on