

expressly confirmed the 1994 Stipulation for Settlement. Nevertheless, the amendment purports to "clarify" the terms of the settlement by attempting to characterize the lump-sum award as prorated over the disabled worker's life expectancy. The amended stipulation, however, did not change the dollar amounts of the award, did not involve any appeal of the award sought or change in the actual amount of WC benefits, and did not affect in any way the rights, liabilities or obligations of the parties with respect to the actual WC award. Its terms modify the original document which did not specify that the lump sum should be prorated over the disabled worker's life expectancy. It contained no supporting factual information that the original stipulation had, in fact, been based on life expectancy.

#### Conclusion

Based on section 224 of the Act, case law, and SSA policy, SSA is not necessarily bound by the terms of a second, or amended, stipulation in determining whether and by what rate a disabled worker's Social Security disability insurance benefits should be offset on account of a WC lump-sum payment. SSA will evaluate both the original and amended stipulations and disregard any language which has the effect of altering the terms in the original lump-sum settlement where the terms in the amended document are illusory or conflict with the terms of the first stipulation concerning the actual intent of the parties, and where, as here, the terms in the amended document would have the effect of circumventing the WC offset provisions of section 224 of the Act. To give effect to such illusory terms would frustrate Congress' intent to avoid duplicate benefits.

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

### Bureau of Political-Military Affairs

[Public Notice 2614]

#### Imposition of Chemical and Biological Weapons Proliferation Sanctions on Foreign Entities and Persons

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Government has determined that two entities have engaged in chemical weapons proliferation activities that require the imposition of sanctions

pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act and the Export Administration Act of 1979 (the authorities of which were most recently continued by Executive Order 12924 of August 19, 1994).

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** September 25, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Vann H. Van Diepen, Office of Chemical, Biological, and Missile Nonproliferation, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State (202-647-1142).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to Section 81(a) of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2798(a)), Section 11C(a) of the Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. app. 2410c(a)), Executive Order 12851 of June 11, 1993, and State Department Delegation Authority No. 145 of February 4, 1980, as amended, the United States Government determined that the following foreign entities have engaged in chemical weapons proliferation activities that require the imposition of the sanctions described in Section 81(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2798(c)) and Section 11C(c) of the Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. app. 2410(c)):

1. Hans-Joachim Rose (German citizen)
2. Rose Import-Export GMBH (German company)

Accordingly, the following sanctions are being imposed:

(A) Procurement Sanction. The United States Government shall not procure, or enter into any contract for the procurement of, any goods or services from the sanctioned entities; and

(B) Import Sanction. The importation into the United States of products produced by the sanctioned entities shall be prohibited.

Sanctions on each entity described above may apply to firms or other entities with which that entity is associated. Questions as to whether a particular transaction is affected by the sanctions should be referred to the contact listed above. The sanctions shall commence on September 25, 1997. They will remain in place for at least one year and until further notice.

These measures shall be implemented by the responsible agencies as provided in the Executive Order 12851 of June 11, 1993.

Dated: September 26, 1997.

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 2608]

### Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs; Notice of a Public Meeting Regarding Government Activities on International Harmonization of Chemical Classification and Labeling Systems

AGENCY: Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs (OES), Department of State.

**SUMMARY:** This public meeting will provide an update on current activities related to international harmonization since the previous public meeting, conducted July 30, 1997. (See Department of State Public Notice 2570, on page 38337 of the **Federal Register** of July 17, 1997.) The meeting will also offer interested organizations and individuals the opportunity to provide information and views for consideration in the development of U.S. government policy positions. For more complete information on the harmonization process, please refer to State Department Public Notice 2526, pages 15951-15957 of the **Federal Register** of April 3, 1997.

The meeting will take place from 10 am until noon on October 17 in Room S4215 ABC, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. Attendees should use the entrance at C and Third Streets NW. To facilitate entry, please have a picture ID available and/or a U.S. government building pass if applicable.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information or to submit written comments or information, please contact Mary Frances Lowe, U.S. Department of State, OES/ENV, Room 4325, 2201 C Street NW, Washington D.C. 20420. Phone (202) 647-9266, fax (202) 647-5947.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of State is announcing a public meeting of the interagency committee concerned with the international harmonization of chemical hazard classification and labeling systems. The purpose of the meeting is to provide interested groups and individuals with an update on activities since the July 30 public meeting, a preview of key upcoming international meetings, and an opportunity to submit additional information and comments for consideration in developing U.S. government positions. Representatives of the following agencies participate in the interagency group: the Department of State, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of