

**COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS****Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the California Advisory Committee**

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the California Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 9:00 a.m. and adjourn at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 2, 1998, at the Travelodge Hotel-Harbor Island, 1960 Harbor Island Drive, San Diego, California 92101. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss followup to the Santa Rosa forum and plan future activities.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Philip Montez, Director of the Western Regional Office, 213-894-3437 (TDD 213-894-3435). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, April 13, 1998.

**Carol-Lee Hurley,**

*Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.*

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**COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS****Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Virginia Advisory Committee**

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the Virginia Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 11:00 a.m. and adjourn 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 7, 1998, at the Commonwealth Park Suites Hotel, Ninth and Bank Streets, Richmond, Virginia 23203. The purpose of the meeting is to: (1) hold an administrative orientation; (2) approve a draft report on the treatment of black males in the Hampton and Newport News justice systems; and (3) plan new projects and meeting schedule.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Ki-Taek Chun, Director of the Eastern Regional Office, 202-376-7533 (TDD 202-376-8116). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign

language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****Bureau of Economic Analysis****Annual Survey of U.S. Direct Investment Abroad**

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before June 22, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instruments and instructions should be directed to: R. David Belli, U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, BE-50(OC), Washington, DC 20230 (Telephone: 202-606-9800).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Abstract**

The BE-11, Annual Survey of U.S. Direct Investment Abroad, provides a variety of measures of the overall operations of U.S. parent companies and their foreign affiliates, including total assets, sales, net income, employment and employee compensation, research and development expenditures, and merchandise trade. The BE-11 is a cut-off sample survey that covers all foreign affiliates (and their U.S. parent companies) above a size-exemption level. The sample data are used to derive universe estimates in

nonbenchmark years by carrying forward similar data reported in the BE-10, Benchmark Survey of U.S. Direct Investment Abroad, which is taken every five years. The data are needed to measure the economic significance of direct investment abroad, measure changes in such investment, and assess its impact on the U.S. and foreign economies.

The data from the survey are primarily intended as general purpose statistics. They should be readily available to answer any number of research and policy questions related to U.S. direct investment abroad. Policy areas of particular and lasting interest are trade in both goods and services, employment and employee compensation, taxes, and technology.

The form remains the same as in the past. No changes in language, data collected, or exemption levels are proposed.

**II. Method of Collection**

The survey will be sent each year to potential respondents in March and responses are due by May 31. A report must be filed by, or on behalf of, each nonbank U.S. business enterprise (U.S. Reporter) that owned 10 percent or more of the voting stock (or equivalent) of a nonbank foreign business enterprise owned at least 20 percent by all U.S. Reporters of the foreign business enterprise combined, whether held directly or indirectly, for which any one of the following three items was greater than \$20 million (positive or negative) at the end of, or for, the foreign business enterprise's fiscal year: (1) Total assets, (2) sales or gross operating revenues excluding sales taxes, or (3) net income after provision for foreign income taxes.

Potential respondents are the U.S. parent companies of foreign business enterprises that reported in the last benchmark survey of U.S. direct investment abroad, which covered the year 1994, along with the U.S. parent companies of those foreign business enterprises that subsequently entered the direct investment universe. The data collected are cut-off sample data. Universe estimates are developed from the reported sample data.

**III. Data**

*OMB Number:* 0608-0053.

*Form Number:* BE-11.

*Type of Review:* Renewal.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,550.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 73 hours is the average, but may vary according to the number, size, and