

continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity 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 November 13, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Thao P. Nguyen, Acting Records Officer, Office of Data Management, Data Administration Division, (703) 308-7397, USPTO, Suite 310, 2231 Crystal Drive, Washington, DC 20231.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to Ellen J. Seeherman, United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), Washington, DC 20231, by telephone at (703)308-9300 (ext 206).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This collection of information is required by Section 13 of the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. 1063, and Section 14 of the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. 1064. The Act provides for the Federal registration of trademarks and service marks. Any individual or entity that adopts a trademark or service mark to identify its

goods or services may apply to federally register its mark. Section 14 of the Trademark Act allows individuals and entities to file a petition to cancel a registration of a mark. Section 13 of the Trademark Act allows individuals and entities who believe that they would be damaged by the registration of a mark to file an opposition to the registration of a mark.

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) administers the Trademark Act according to 37 CFR Part 2, which contains the rules that implement the Trademark Act. 37 CFR Sections 2.111 and 2.112 govern the filing of a Petition to Cancel. 37 CFR Sections 2.101, 2.102 and 2.104 govern the filing of an opposition to the registration of a trademark. Petitions to cancel a trademark registration and oppositions are filed with the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (TTAB).

II. Method of Collection

By mail, facsimile, or hand carry when the applicant or agent files a petition to cancel a trademark registration or an opposition to the registration of a trademark with the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

III. Data

OMB Number: 0651-0040.
Form Number(s): N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; business or other non-profit; not-for-profit institutions; farms; the Federal Government; and state, local or tribal government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 61,572 responses per year. The USPTO estimates that of this total, 1,709 petitions to cancel a trademark registration, 9,863 notices of opposition, and 50,000 extensions of time to file an opposition will be submitted per year.

Estimated Time Per Response: The USPTO estimates that it will take the public 45 minutes to complete a petition to cancel a trademark registration, 45 minutes to complete a notice of opposition, and 10 minutes to complete an extension of time to file an opposition. This includes time to gather the necessary information, create the documents, and submit the completed request.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 17,179 hours per year.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost Burden: \$0 (no capitol start-up or maintenance expenditures are required). Using the professional hourly rate of \$175 per hour for associate attorneys in private firms, the USPTO estimates \$3,006,325 per year for salary costs associated with respondents.

Item	Estimated time for response	Estimated annual burden hours	Estimated annual responses
Petition to Cancel	45 minutes	1,282	1,709
Notice of Opposition	45 minutes	7,397	9,863
Extension of Time to File an Opposition	10 minutes	8,500	50,000
Total		17,179	61,572

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, *e.g.*, the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized or included in the request for OMB

approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: September 5, 2000.

Thao P. Nguyen,

Acting Records Officer, USPTO, Office of Data Management, Data Administration Division.

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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 at the Ritz-Carlton Pentagon City, 1250 South Hayes Street, Arlington, Virginia 22202, on September 25-26, 2000.

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, Technology, and Logistics), 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.

Dated: September 7, 2000.

Linda M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the Historical Records Declassification Advisory Panel

AGENCY: Historical Advisory Committee, DOD.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the forthcoming meeting of the Historical Records Declassification Advisory Panel (HRDAP). The purpose of this meeting is to discuss recommendations to the Department of Defense on topical areas of interest that, from a historical perspective, would be of the greatest benefit to the public if declassified. This is the second session held in 2000. The OSD Historical will chair this meeting.

DATES: Tuesday, September 26, 2000.

TIME: The meeting is scheduled 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The National Archives Building, Room 105, 7th and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20408.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jeffrey Ross, Room 1D760B, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Security and Information Operations), Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Command, Control, Communications and Intelligence), 6000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20302-6000, telephone (703) 614-5995.

Dated: September 7, 2000.

Linda Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board Task Force on Improving Fuel Efficiency of Weapons Platforms

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board Task Force on Improving Fuel Efficiency of Weapons Platforms will

meet in closed session on September 19-20, 2000, at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Amherst E40-55, Cambridge, MA 30332-0801.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At this meeting, The Task Force will review fuel-efficient technologies, including new or improved fuels, engines, Alternative Fueled Vehicles, and other advanced technologies and assess their operational, logistical, cost, and environmental impacts for a range of practical implementation scenarios.

Persons interested in further information should call Commander Brian D. Hughes, USN, at (703) 695-4157.

Dated: September 7, 2000.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Fall 2000 Conference Meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS)

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Advisory Committee on Women in the Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 10(a), Public Law 92-463, as amended, notice is hereby given of a forthcoming semiannual conference of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS). The purpose of Fall 2000 DACOWITS Conference is to assist the Secretary of Defense on matters relating to women in the Services. Conference sessions will be held daily and will be open to the public, unless otherwise noted below.

DATES: October 18-22, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Luxor Las Vegas, 3900 Las Vegas Blvd., South, Las Vegas, NV; telephone: (702) 262-4606.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: MAJ Susan E. Kolb, ARNG or MSG Verena Sander, USA, DACOWITS and Military Women Matters, OASD (Force Management Policy), 4000 Defense Pentagon, Room 3D769, Washington, DC 20301-4000; telephone (703) 697-2122.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following rules will govern the

participation by members of the public at the conference:

(1) Members of the public will not be permitted to attend the OSD Reception and Dinner and Conference Field Trip.

(2) The Opening Session, General Session, all subcommittee sessions and the Voting Session will be open to the public.

(3) Interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the Committee and/or make an oral presentation of such during the conference.

Persons desiring to make an oral presentation or submit a written statement to the Committee must notify the point of contact listed above no later than October 13, 2000.

(5) Length and number of oral presentations to be made will depend on the number of requests received from members of the public.

(6) Oral presentations by members of the public will be permitted only on Sunday, October 22, 2000, before the full Committee.

(7) Each person desiring to make an oral presentation must provide the DACOWITS office with one (1) copy of the presentation by October 13, 2000 and bring 175 copies of any material that is intended for distribution at the conference.

(8) Persons submitting a written statement for inclusion in the minutes of the conference must submit to the DACOWITS staff one (1) copy of the statement by the close of the conference on Sunday, October 22, 2000.

(9) Other new items from members of the public may be presented in writing to any DACOWITS member for transmittal to the DACOWITS chair or Military Director, DACOWITS and Military Women Matters, for consideration.

(10) Members of the public will not be permitted to enter oral discussions conducted by the Committee members at any of the sessions; however, they will be permitted to reply to questions directed to them by the members of the Committee. After the official participants have asked questions and/or made comments to the scheduled speakers, members of the public will be permitted to ask questions if recognized by the Chair and if time allows.

(11) Non-social agenda events that are not open to the public are for administrative matters unrelated to substantive advice provided to the Department of Defense and do not involve DACOWITS deliberations or decision-making issues before the Committee.