

Small Business Investment Act of 1958, as amended ("the Act"), in connection with the financing of a small concern, has sought an exemption under section 312 of the Act and section 107.730, Financings which Constitute Conflicts of Interest of the Small Business Administration ("SBA") rules and regulations (13 CFR 107.730 (2000)). Elk Associates Funding Corporation proposes to provide loans to Concorde Cab Corp. and Queens Star Cab Corp. The financings are contemplated for the purchase of taxicab medallions, New York City transfer taxes and taxicab vehicles.

The financings are brought within the purview of sec. 107.730(a)(1) of the regulations because Meryl Sara and Lauren Abate, Associates of Elk Associates Funding Corporation, will own greater than 10 percent of Concorde Cab Corp. and Queens Star Cab Corp., and therefore, Concorde Cab Corp. and Queens Star Cab Corp. are considered Associates of Elk Associates Funding Corporation as defined in section 107.50 of the regulations.

Notice is hereby given that any interested person may submit written comments on the transaction to the Acting Associate Administrator for Investment, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 Third Street, SW, Washington, DC 20416.

Dated: May 29, 2001.

Harry Haskins,

Acting Associate Administrator for Investment.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

President's Commission To Strengthen Social Security

AGENCY: Social Security Administration (SSA).

ACTION: Announcement of meeting location and time change.

DATES: June 11, 2001, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Willard Inter-Continental Hotel, 1401 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20004, (202) 628-9100.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The May 29, 2001 *Federal Register* notice (FR Doc. 01-13486, 66 FR 29200) announcing the June 11 meeting of the President's Commission to Strengthen Social Security did not include a meeting location. The purpose of this announcement is to provide the meeting location and to note that the meeting will end at 4 p.m. instead of 6 p.m., as previously reported.

The meeting will be open to the public at 11 a.m. The Commission will break for lunch at Noon, and the public meeting will reconvene at 1 p.m. and continue through 4 p.m. In accordance with the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), the meeting will be closed to the public from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. to conduct housekeeping business relating solely to Federal personnel rules and practices and other administrative matters.

Dated: June 4, 2001.

Larry G. Massanari,

Acting Commissioner of Social Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 3691]

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs Request for Grant Proposals: Ukrainian Media Partnership Program

SUMMARY: The Europe/Eurasia Division in the Office of Citizen Exchanges of the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs announces an open competition for the Ukrainian Media Partnership Program. Public and private non-profit organizations meeting the provisions described in IRS regulation 26 CFR 1.501(c) may submit proposals to conduct this program. Grants are subject to availability of funds. Overall grant making authority for this program is contained in the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, Public Law 87-256, as amended, also known as the Fulbright-Hays Act. The purpose of the Act is "to enable the Government of the United States to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries * * *; to strengthen the ties which unite us with other nations by demonstrating the educational and cultural interests, developments, and achievements of the people of the United States and other nations * * * and thus to assist in the development of friendly, sympathetic and peaceful relations between the United States and the other countries of the world." The funding authority for the program cited above is provided through the Fulbright-Hays Act and the FREEDOM Support Act.

Programs and projects must comply with Bureau requirements and guidelines outlined in the Solicitation Package: the Request for Grant Proposals (RFGP) and the Proposal Submission Guidelines (PSI).

Announcement Title and Number

All communications with the Bureau concerning this Request for Grant Proposals (RFGP) should refer to the announcement title "The Ukrainian Media Partnership Program" and reference number ECA/PE/C/EUR-01-77.

Program Information

Overview

The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (the Bureau) invites applicants to submit proposals for a project to create and foster long-term relationships between selected American media outlets and Ukrainian media outlets of similar size and between the individual professionals that work at both outlets. Within the framework of these partnerships, Ukrainian professionals in print and broadcast media will have the opportunity to interact with US counterparts and to take part in practical training experiences organized by their US partner. This project seeks to promote the development of free and independent Ukrainian media outlets on the assumption that independent media is critical for the further democratic development of Ukraine.

The Bureau would like to see five partnerships developed under this program. Each Ukrainian media outlet should be matched with an appropriate U.S. media outlet for partnership activities. Proposals should demonstrate geographic diversity by including media outlets from throughout Ukraine. While partnerships should primarily include media outlets in regional capitals or larger regional cities, a Kiev media outlet may be included in one of the proposed partnerships. Applicants should propose at least three partnerships in their submission, but are encouraged to propose all five. When only three or four partnerships are proposed by the applicant, the Public Affairs Section in at the American Embassy in Kiev (PAS) will identify the remaining Ukrainian media outlets who will then be partnered with American media outlets already selected by the applicant. Applicants should explain how proposed matches support the program's objectives and why they expect that the partnerships they are proposing will be sustained beyond the life of the grant. The grantee should work closely with the Bureau and PAS throughout the grant period; specific partnerships will be approved by the Bureau and PAS.

Applicants should explain how partnerships will be structured and what activities they will include. The