c. Cross-Margining Capability

In addition, the proposed rule change permits a clearing member or member organization to establish a separate portfolio margin account (securities margin account) exclusively for cross-margining. In this regard, related index futures and options on such futures would be allowed to be carried in the portfolio margin account, thus affording a cross-margining capability. In a portfolio margin account that is used exclusively for cross-margining, separate portfolios may be established containing index options, index warrants and exchange-traded funds structured to replicate the composition of the index underlying a particular portfolio, as well as related index futures and options on such futures.

To determine theoretical gains and losses and resulting margin requirements, the same portfolio margin computation procedure will be applied to portfolio margin accounts that contain a cross-margining element.

d. Disclosure Document and Customer Attestation

Exchange Rule 726 prescribes requirements for the delivery of options disclosure documents concerning the opening of customer accounts. As proposed by the Exchange, members and member organizations would be required to provide every portfolio margin customer with a written risk disclosure statement at or prior to the initial opening of a portfolio margin account. The disclosure statement is divided into two sections, one dealing with portfolio margining, and the other with cross-margining.

The statement would disclose the risk and operation of portfolio margin accounts, including cross-margining, and the differences between portfolio margin and strategy-based margin requirements. The disclosure statement would also address who is eligible to open a portfolio margin account, the instruments that are allowed, and when deposits to meet margin and minimum equity are required.

Included within the portfolio margin section of the disclosure statement would be a list of certain of the risks unique to portfolio margin accounts, such as: increased leverage; shorter time for meeting margin; involuntary liquidation if margin not received; inability to calculate future margin requirements because of the data and calculations required; and that long positions are subject to a lien. The risks and operation of a cross-margin feature are delineated in the cross-margin section of the disclosure statement, and a list of certain of the risks associated with cross-margining will be included as well.

In addition, at or prior to the time a portfolio margin account is initially opened, members and member organizations would be required to obtain a signed acknowledgement regarding certain implications of portfolio margining (e.g., treatment under SEC Rules 8c–1, 15c2–1 and 15c3–3 under the Act) from the customer. Further, prior to providing cross-margining, members and member organizations would be required to obtain a second signed customer acknowledgement relative to the segregation treatment for futures contracts and Securities Investor Protection Corporation coverage.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change, as amended, is consistent with section 6(b)(5) of the Act, and further the objectives of section 6(b)(5) of the Act, because it is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investor and the public interest. In addition, the Exchange believes that section 6(b)(5) of the Act requires that the rules of an exchange foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating transactions in securities.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Burden on Competition

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in the furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants or Others

The Exchange has neither solicited nor received written comments on the proposed rule change, as amended.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Within 35 days of the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register or within such longer period (i) as the Commission may designate up to 90 days of such date if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which the Exchange consents, the Commission will:

(A) By order approve such proposed rule change, as amended, or

(B) Institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change, as amended, is consistent with the Act. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549–0609. Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission’s Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the NYSE. All submissions should refer to File No. SR–NYSE–2002–19 and should be submitted by October 21, 2002.

For the Commission by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.8

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 4149]

Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition; Determinations: “Millet to Matisse: Nineteenth-and-Twentieth-Century French Painting From Kelvingrove Art Gallery, Glasgow”

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Notice.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition; Determinations: “The Medici, Michelangelo, and the Art of Late Renaissance in Florence”

AGENCY: Department of State.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 [79 Stat. 985; 22 U.S.C. 2459], Executive Order 12047 of March 27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 [112 Stat. 2681, et seq.; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, et seq.], Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999 [64 FR 56014], and Delegation of Authority No. 236 of October 19, 1999 [64 FR 57920], as amended, I hereby determine that the objects to be included in the exhibition, “Millet to Matisse: Nineteenth-and-Twentieth-Century French Painting from Kelvingrove Art Gallery, Glasgow,” imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, are of cultural significance. These objects are imported pursuant to loan agreements with foreign lenders. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at The Speed Art Museum, Louisville, Kentucky, from on or about November 6, 2002, to on or about February 2, 2003, The Frick Art and Historical Center, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, from on or about February 26, 2003, to on or about May 25, 2003, the Joslyn Art Museum, Omaha, Nebraska, from on or about June 18, 2003, to on or about September 14, 2003, The Albuquerque Museum, Albuquerque, New Mexico, from on or about October 8, 2003, to on or about January 4, 2004, the Kalamazoo Institute of the Arts, Kalamazoo, Michigan, from on or about May 19, 2004, to on or about August 15, 2004, the Oklahoma City Museum of Art, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, from on or about September 8, 2004, to on or about December 5, 2004, and at possible additional venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest. Public Notice of these determinations is ordered to be published in the Federal Register.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, including a list of the exhibit objects, contact Julianne Simpson, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State, (telephone: 202/619–6529). The address is United States Department of State, SA–44, Room 700, 301 4th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20547–0001.

Dated: October 2, 2002.

Patricia S. Harrison,
Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition Determinations: “The Sensuous and the Sacred: Chola Bronzes From South India”

AGENCY: Department of State.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 [79 Stat. 985; 22 U.S.C. 2459], Executive Order 12047 of March 27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 [112 Stat. 2681, et seq.; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, et seq.], Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999 [64 FR 56014], and Delegation of Authority No. 236 of October 19, 1999 [64 FR 57920], as amended, I hereby determine that the objects to be included in the exhibition, “The Sensuous and the Sacred: Chola Bronzes from South India,” imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, are of cultural significance. These objects are imported pursuant to loan agreements with foreign lenders. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at the Arthur M. Sackler Gallery, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC, from on or about November 10, 2002, to on or about March 9, 2003, the Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas, Texas, from on or about April 4, 2003, to on or about June 15, 2003, the Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland, Ohio, from on or about July 6, 2003, to on or about September 14, 2003, and at possible additional venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest. Public Notice of these determinations is ordered to be published in the Federal Register.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, including a list of the exhibit objects, contact Paul W. Manning, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State, 202/619–5997, and the address is United States Department of State, SA–44, Room 700, 301 4th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20547–0001.


Patricia S. Harrison,
Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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