

information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVA), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0006, Subcontracting Plans/Subcontracting Reporting for Individual Contracts (Standard Form 294), in all correspondence.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before May 3, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rhonda Cundiff, Acquisition Policy, GSA (202) 501-0044.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Purpose**

In accordance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation 19.702 contractors receiving a contract for more than the simplified acquisition threshold agree to have small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business, HUBZone small business, veteran-owned small business and service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns participate in the performance of the contract as far as practicable. Contractors receiving a contract or a modification to a contract expected to exceed \$500,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction) must submit a subcontracting plan that provides maximum practicable opportunities for the above named concerns. Specific elements required to be included in the plan are specified in section 8(d) of the Small Business Act and implemented in FAR subpart 19.7.

In conjunction with these plans, contractors must submit semiannual reports of their progress on Standard Form 294, Subcontracting Report for Individual Contracts.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

*Respondents:* 4,253.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 3.44.

*Total Responses:* 14,631.

*Hours Per Response:* 50.52.

*Total Burden Hours:* 739,225.

*Obtaining Copies of Proposals:*

Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVA), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0006, Subcontracting Plans/Subcontracting Reporting for Individual Contracts (Standard Form 294), in all correspondence.

Dated: February 27, 2004.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

**Meeting of the President's Information Technology Advisory Committee (PITAC)**

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This PITAC meeting will focus on the U.S. Government investment in networking and information technology research and development with some specific applications. In the morning, there will be a report by the PITAC Health and IT Subcommittee on its draft findings and recommendations. The afternoon session will focus on Cyber Security Subcommittee issues. A final agenda will be posted on the PITAC Web site (<http://www.nitrd.gov/pitac/>) approximately two weeks before the meeting.

**DATES:** Tuesday, April 13, 2004, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The Washington Hotel, The Washington Room (Ballroom); 515 15th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20004.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The public may attend the meeting in person at the above address or on-line via the Internet. To participate on-line, you must contact the National Coordination Office for Information Technology Research and Development (ITRD) at the address below to register and receive instructions.

Members of the public are invited to participate by (1) submitting written statements to the PITAC at [pitac-comments@nitrd.gov](mailto:pitac-comments@nitrd.gov) and (2) giving a brief (three minutes or less) oral statement during the 30 minute public comment period on the meeting agenda.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The NCO/ITRD at 703-292-4873 or by e-mail at [pitac-comments@nitrd.gov](mailto:pitac-comments@nitrd.gov).

Dated: February 26, 2004.

**L.M. Bynum,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

**Defense Science Board; Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Defense Science Board Task Force on Aerial Refueling Requirements will meet in closed session on March 24, 2004, at Strategic Analysis Inc., 3601 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA. The Task Force will evaluate current aerial refueling capability and future Department of Defense (DoD) aerial refueling requirements. The Task Force will assess current and future requirements with respect to both legacy systems and missions, and take into account proposed future systems and capabilities.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. Specifically, using best estimates of requirements for 2010, 2020, and 2030, the Task Force will assess the following options with respect to DoD aerial refueling capability: (1) Retain the requisite number of assets to maintain current capability; (2) perform service life extension on the requisite number of existing aircraft; (3) acquire new refueling capabilities; and (4) evaluate other methods to address refueling needs.

In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. app. II) it has been determined that this Defense Science Board Task Force meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) and that, accordingly, the meeting will be closed to the public.