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[Public Notice 6013]

International Security Advisory Board (ISAB) Meeting Notice

Closed Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2 § 10(a)(2), the Department of State announces a meeting of the International Security Advisory Board (ISAB) to take place on January 28, 2008, at the Department of State, Washington, DC.

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2 § 10(d), and to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1), it has been determined that this Board meeting will be closed to the public in the interest of national defense and foreign policy because the Board will be reviewing and discussing matters classified in accordance with Executive Order 12958.

The purpose of the ISAB is to provide the Department with a continuing source of independent advice on all aspects of arms control, disarmament, political-military affairs, and international security and related aspects of public diplomacy. The agenda for this meeting will include classified discussions related to the Board’s ongoing studies on current U.S. policy and issues regarding international security, nuclear proliferation, and diplomacy.

For more information, contact Brandi Buttrick, Deputy Executive Director of the International Security Advisory Board, Department of State, Washington, DC 20520, telephone: (202) 647–9336.


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[Public Notice 6016]

U.S. National Commission for UNESCO Notice of Open Advisory Committee Teleconference Meeting

Summary: The U.S. National Commission for UNESCO will meet via telephone conference on Monday, January 7, 2008, from 11 a.m. until 12 p.m. Eastern Time. The purpose of the teleconference meeting is to consider the recommendations of the Commission’s National Committee for the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC). The U.S. National Committee for the IOC was asked to provide recommendations on the UNESCO study related to the Future of the IOC (for more information see IOC Circulars #2247 and #2249 http://ioc3.unesco.org/cl/letters/CL%2022427_e.pdf and http://ioc3.unesco.org/cl/letters/CL%2022429_e.pdf). The call will also be an opportunity to provide an update on recent and upcoming Commission and UNESCO activities. The Commission will accept brief oral comments during a portion of this conference call. This public comment period will last 15 minutes, and comments are limited to two minutes per person. Members of the public who wish to present oral comments or to listen to the conference call must make arrangements with the Executive Secretariat of the National Commission by January 4, 2008. For more information or to arrange to participate in the teleconference meeting, contact Alex Zemek, Deputy Executive Director of the U.S. National Commission for UNESCO, Washington, DC 20037. Telephone: (202) 663–6026; Fax: (202) 663–8035; e-mail: DC UNESCO@state.gov.


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Solicitation of Input and Participation in a Dialogue To Review the Standardized Program Structure for Foreign Assistance; Correction

The Office of the Director of U.S. Foreign Assistance (F) is commencing public consultations on the “Standardized Program Structure for Foreign Assistance” (Program Structure). The Program Structure was developed in 2006 through a deliberative interagency process as part of the Secretary’s Foreign Assistance Reform. It serves as a lexicon for categorizing and tracking foreign assistance activities from a number of different foreign assistance appropriation accounts, collectively totaling approximately $25 billion in U.S. Foreign Assistance.

F will consider changes to the Program Structure through a three-phase process:

• Phase I will engage public stakeholders (including Non-Governmental Organizations—NGOs) in dialogue;

• Phase II will engage Federal interagency partners; and

• Phase III will occur when all external and internal stakeholder input is collected and analyzed, and then forwarded to the Director of U.S. Foreign Assistance for a decision regarding proposed adjustments to the Program Structure.

This process is expected to take 4–6 months from the start date of the first stage, and will result in a refined Program Structure that will serve as the foundation for future planning and performance products. This notice pertains to Phase I.

The purpose of the consultative process is to fulfill a commitment to engage with external stakeholders to obtain input to improve the Program Structure (for example, to clarify definitions, identify gaps, or remove duplication). Consultation with external stakeholders and analysis of their inputs are expected to last for a period of between 8–12 weeks. F will use the administrative, technical, and logistical services of the National Academy of Public Administration (NAPA) to facilitate consultations.

Effective December 19, 2007, the Department of State will solicit the public for recommended changes at the “program area” level (e.g., Transnational Crime; Rule of Law and Human Rights; Health; Macroeconomic Foundation for Growth; Disaster Readiness) of the structure, and below (i.e., program element; program subelement). The public is strongly encouraged to review the PROGRAM STRUCTURE by going to the following Internet site: http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/93447.pdf. Written recommendations for changes will be accepted ONLY between December 27–January 18, 2008, and must be made, by means of e-mail, to the following address: ForeignAssistanceDefinitions@state.gov. Recommendations must state clearly the