

NPA: The Arc of Caddo-Bossier, Shreveport, LA.

*Contracting Activity:* GSA/Public Buildings Service, Building Services Team, Fort Worth, TX.

*Federal Register Publication of A-B-C Lists Changes of AbilityOne products:* The Committee will no longer publish a quarterly report of changes for AbilityOne products between the A-B-C list.

**Patricia Briscoe,**

*Deputy Director, Business Operations (Pricing and Information Management).*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Establishment of Federal Advisory Committee; Quadrennial Defense Review Independent Panel

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Establishment of Federal advisory committee.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, (5 U.S.C. Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.50(a), the Department of Defense gives notice that it is establishing the charter for the Quadrennial Defense Review Independent Panel (hereafter referred to as the Panel).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jim Freeman, Deputy Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703-601-6128.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Panel is a non-discretionary federal advisory committee established under the provisions of 10 U.S.C. 118(f), that shall provide the Committees on the Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives an assessment of the Department of Defense's Quadrennial Defense Review.

The Panel shall be comprised of no more than twelve members appointed by the Secretary of Defense, and shall be bipartisan.

The Secretary of Defense shall appoint Panel members to serve for the duration of this Quadrennial Defense Review, and those members, who are not full-time or permanent part-time Federal employees, shall be appointed as experts and consultants under the authority of 5 U.S.C. 3109 and serve as Special Government Employees.

The Secretary of Defense shall appoint two co-chairmen from the

twelve members appointed, and these individuals shall be divided equally on a bipartisan basis.

Any vacancy in the Panel shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment and, with the exception of travel and per diem for official travel, Panel members shall serve without compensation.

With DoD approval, the Panel is authorized to establish subcommittees, as necessary and consistent with its mission. These subcommittees or working groups shall operate under the provision of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552B, as amended), and other appropriate Federal regulations.

Such Subcommittees or Working Groups shall not work independently of the chartered Panel, and shall report their recommendations and advice to the Panel for full deliberation and discussion. Subcommittees or Working Groups have no authority to make decisions on behalf of the chartered Panel nor can they report directly to the Department of Defense or any Federal officers or employees who are not Panel members.

Subcommittee members, who are not Panel members, shall be appointed in the same manner as the Board members.

The Panel shall meet at the call of the Board's Designated Federal Officer, in consultation with the Panel's Chairperson. The estimated number of Panel meetings is 3 per year. The Designated Federal Officer, pursuant to DoD policy, shall be a full-time or permanent part-time DoD employee, and shall be appointed in accordance with established DoD policies and procedures. In addition, the Designated Federal Officer is required to be in attendance at all meetings, however, in the absence of the Designated Federal Officer, the Alternate Designated Federal Officer shall attend the meeting.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140, the public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the Panel membership about its mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of the Panel.

All written statements shall be submitted to the Designated Federal Officer for the Quadrennial Defense Review Independent Panel, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration. Contact information for the Panel's Designated Federal Officer can be obtained from the GSA's FACA

Database—<https://www.fido.gov/facadatabase/public.asp>.

The Designated Federal Officer, pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.150, will announce planned meetings of the Panel. The Designated Federal Officer, at that time, may provide additional guidance on the submission of written statements that are in response to the stated agenda for the planned meeting in question.

Dated: September 28, 2009.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

*OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Meeting of the Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), DoD.

**ACTION:** Meeting notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.150, the Department of Defense announces that the Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services (hereafter referred to as the Task Force) will meet on October 19, 20, and 21, 2009. Subject to the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is on a first-come basis.

**DATES:** The Task Force will meet from 1 to 4:30 p.m. on Monday, October 19; and from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 20 and Wednesday, October 21, 2009. Times are Eastern Daylight Time (hereafter referred to as EDT).

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 1900 Diagonal Road, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael Molnar, Deputy to the Executive Director, 2850 Eisenhower Avenue, Suite 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; phone (888) 325-6640; fax (703) 325-6710; e-mail [michael.molnar@wso.whs.mil](mailto:michael.molnar@wso.whs.mil).

*Committee's Designated Federal Officer:* Colonel Cora M. Jackson-Chandler; 2850 Eisenhower Avenue, Suite 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; phone (888) 325-6640; fax (703) 325-

6710; e-mail  
cora.chandler@wso.whs.mil.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the meeting is to obtain and discuss information on the Task Force's congressionally mandated task to examine matters related to sexual assault in the Military Services through briefings from, and discussion with, Task Force staff, subject-matter experts, document review, and preparation of the Task Force report.

### Agenda

*Monday, October 19, 2009*

1 p.m.–1:05 p.m. Welcome, Administrative Remarks;  
1:05 p.m.–1:10 p.m. Opening Remarks;  
1:10 p.m.–2:30 a.m. Content Discussion and Writing of the Final Report;  
2:30 p.m.–2:45 p.m. Break;  
2:45 p.m.–4:25 p.m. Content Discussion and Writing of the Final Report;  
4:25 p.m.–4:30 p.m. Wrap Up.

*Tuesday, October 20, 2009*

8 a.m.–8:05 a.m. Welcome, Administrative Remarks;  
8:05 a.m.–8:10 a.m. Opening Remarks;  
8:10 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Content Discussion and Writing of the Final Report;  
9:30 a.m.–9:45 a.m. Break;  
9:45 a.m.–12 p.m. Content Discussion and Writing of the Final Report;  
12 p.m.–1 p.m. Noon Meal;  
1 p.m.–2:30 p.m. Content Discussion and Writing of the Final Report;  
2:30 p.m.–2:45 p.m. Break;  
2:45 p.m.–4:25 p.m. Content Discussion and Writing of the Final Report;  
4:25 p.m.–4:30 p.m. Wrap Up.

*Wednesday, October 21, 2009*

8 a.m.–8:05 a.m. Welcome, Administrative Remarks;  
8:05 a.m.–8:10 a.m. Opening Remarks;  
8:10 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Content Discussion and Writing of the Final Report;  
9:30 a.m.–9:45 a.m. Break;  
9:45 a.m.–12 p.m. Content Discussion and Writing of the Final Report;  
12 p.m.–1 p.m. Noon Meal;  
1 p.m.–2:30 p.m. Content Discussion and Writing of the Final Report;  
2:30 p.m.–2:45 p.m. Break;  
2:45 p.m.–4:25 p.m. Content Discussion and Writing of the Final Report;  
4:25 p.m.–4:30 p.m. Wrap Up.

The public can view meeting updates at <http://www.dtic.mil/dtfsams>.

**Public's Accessibility to the Meeting:** Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is on a first-come basis.

**Written Statements:** Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140, and

section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services about its mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of a planned meeting of the Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services.

All written statements shall be submitted to the Designated Federal Officer for the Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration. Contact information for the Designated Federal Officer is provided in this notice under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, or can be obtained from the GSA's FACA Database: <https://www.fido.gov/facadatabase/public.asp>.

Written statements being submitted in response to the agenda mentioned in this notice must be received by the Designated Federal Officer at the listed address above no later than 7 a.m., EDT, Monday, October 12, 2009. Written statements received after this date may not be provided to, or considered by, the Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services until its next meeting.

The Designated Federal Officer will review all timely submissions with the Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services Co-Chairs and ensure they are provided to all members of the Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services before the meeting that is the subject of this notice.

Dated: September 25, 2009.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,  
Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Meeting of the Defense Business Board (DBB)

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Meeting notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102–3.150, DoD announces that the Defense Business Board (DBB) will

meet on October 22, 2009. Subject to the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public.

**DATES:** The public meeting will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. on Thursday, October 22, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** The public meeting will be held at the Pentagon, Room 3E–863, Washington, DC (escort required, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for further details).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For meeting information please contact Ms. Debora Duffy, Defense Business Board, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Room 5B–1088A, Washington, DC 20301–1155, [Debora.duffy@osd.mil](mailto:Debora.duffy@osd.mil), (703) 697–2168.

The Board's Designated Federal Officer is Ms. Phyllis Ferguson, Defense Business Board, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Room 5B–1088A, Washington, DC 20301–1155, [Phyllis.ferguson@osd.mil](mailto:Phyllis.ferguson@osd.mil), (703) 695–7563.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Background**

At this meeting, the Board will deliberate findings and recommendations from four Task Groups: (1) "Reducing Acquisition Costs by Applying Best Business Practices to Fixed-Price Contracting," (2) "Managing DoD Under Sustained Topline Pressures," (3) "Recommendations for Insourcing the Acquisition Workforce," and (4) "Assessing the Defense Industrial Base." The mission of the DBB is to advise the Secretary of Defense on effective strategies for implementation of best business practices of interest to the Department of Defense.

##### **Availability of Materials for the Meeting**

A copy of the draft agenda for the October 22, 2009, meeting may be obtained from the Board's Web site at <http://www.defenselink.mil/dbb> under "Meeting Materials."

##### **Public's Accessibility to the Meeting**

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is on a first-come basis. All members of the public who wish to attend the meeting must contact Ms. Duffy (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) no later than noon on Thursday, October 8th to register and make arrangements for a Pentagon escort, if necessary. Public attendees requiring escort should arrive at the Pentagon Metro Entrance in time to complete security screening by 8:45 a.m. Security screening requires two forms of identification: (1) A