Mission to China from November 7–17, 2010.
The 2010 Aerospace Supplier Development Mission to China is being developed due to a successful similar trade mission to China in 2008 and due to continued requests from many small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) supplying the aviation industry. It is intended to include representatives from a variety of U.S. aerospace industry manufacturers and service providers, and it will introduce these suppliers to end-users and prospective partners whose needs and capabilities are targeted to each U.S. participant’s strengths. Participating in an official U.S. industry delegation, rather than traveling to China on their own, will enhance the companies’ ability to secure meetings in China. The mission will include appointments and briefings in Beijing, Shanghai, Xi’an, and Guangzhou, some of China’s major aerospace industry hubs, as well as participation in Airshow China in Zhuhai to conclude the mission. The mission participants will have opportunities to interact extensively with CS China aviation specialists to discuss industry developments, opportunities, and sales strategies.

Commercial Setting
The Chinese aerospace sector ranks among the world’s most dynamic, going far beyond the country’s massive investment in aircraft (mainland carriers anticipate reaching 4,000 by 2025). Chinese aerospace companies have rapidly developed into serious players in the industry’s global value chain. Chinese aerospace firms, including those linked to U.S. and European “primes,” now frequently make their own sourcing decisions, participate as “risk sharing partners” in new airframe and engine development programs, or take on the role of first-tier suppliers on Chinese programs. The evolution of China’s aerospace industry is part of a broader industry trend toward supply chain consolidation and lean manufacturing. Many traditional Tier 1 supplier responsibilities are being pushed down the supply chain to second- and third-tier suppliers. As the larger firms move into aerospace system integration, the lower-tier suppliers have little choice but to globalize themselves. This involves supplying China with products and services that might historically have been provided to U.S. and European suppliers that have since shifted production. In many cases, once established in China, the first-tier firms require their supply chain partners to begin dealing directly with Chinese members of the supply chain. While extremely challenging for SME suppliers, these new relationships bring an added benefit—the opportunity for additional sales with other aerospace companies doing business in China.

China Aviation Industry Corporation I and II (AVIC I and II), conglomerates of hundreds of companies, control the country’s aerospace industry. Over the years, the main AVIC companies have formed joint-venture companies with key Western aerospace partners. The larger AVIC companies also have so-called “foreign divisions” engaged in manufacturing, design and engineering for Western customers on a semi-autonomous basis.

Mission Goals
The goals of the 2010 Aerospace Supply Chain Development Mission to China are threefold: (1) To introduce U.S. companies to Chinese joint-venture groups and Western original equipment manufacturers (OEMs); (2) to explore supplier opportunities under other aerospace programs (including Chinese programs and Western programs with Chinese firms “risk sharing”); and (3) to facilitate an effective U.S. presence at Airshow China.

Mission Scenario
The mission’s first stop is Beijing, home to AVIC’s headquarters and the China National Aero-Technology Import and Export Corporation (CATIC), AVIC’s trading and purchasing division. The second and third stops are Shanghai and Xi’an, home to AVIC’s headquarters and CATIC, AVIC’s trading and purchasing division. The fourth stop, Guangzhou, provides the opportunity to focus on Guangzhou Aircraft Maintenance Engineering Company Limited (GAMECO) as an example of a maintenance/repair/overhaul operation and a meeting with MTU Zhuhai.

The mission will conclude in Zhuhai, at the China International Aviation and Aerospace Exhibition (known as Airshow China), the only Chinese aerospace exhibition endorsed by the Chinese central government. The last Airshow China, in 2008, marked the largest ever in the show’s history. It attracted 600 exhibitors from 35 countries, showcased 58 aircraft including the Airbus A380 and turned out over 90,000 trade visitors along with 200 media units. CS Guangzhou will provide entry to the trade show and will help facilitate the U.S. companies’ participation in the American Product Literature Center.

Matchmaking efforts will involve coordination with the American
Chamber of Commerce in China’s U.S.-China Aviation Cooperation Program (ACP), a public/private partnership promoting technical, policy and commercial cooperation between the two countries’ aviation sectors, and with other relevant groups. CS Guangzhou will help facilitate walk-in meetings for mission participants with the Chinese exhibitors at the air show. U.S. participants will be counseled before, during, and after the mission by U.S. Export Assistance Center trade specialists, primarily by members of the Aerospace and Defense Technology Team, as well as participate in the American Product Literature Center at Airshow China, allowing them to display their company brochures and materials. Participation in the Aerospace Supplier Development Mission to China will include the following:

- Pre-travel briefings/webinar on subjects ranging from Chinese business practices to security;
- Pre-scheduled meetings with potential partners, distributors, end users, or local industry contacts in Beijing, Shanghai, Xi’an, Guangzhou, and at Airshow China in Zhuhai;
- Transportation to airports in Beijing, Shanghai, and Xi’an;
- One Airshow China entry pass per company representative;
- Participation in the American Product Literature Center at Airshow China;
- Participation in industry receptions at Airshow China;
- Meetings with CS China aviation industry specialists in Beijing, Shanghai and Guangzhou;

**Proposed Timetable**

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<td>Participants arrive in Beijing on their own schedule.</td>
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<td>Morning: Pre-scheduled matchmaking appointments, focusing on contacts at AVIC 1 and CATIC.</td>
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<td>Tuesday, Nov 9, BJ–SH</td>
<td>Roundtable with the ACP. Prevention of Civil Aviation Administration of China (CAAC) standards and regulations.</td>
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<td>Wednesday, Nov 10, SH</td>
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<td>Thursday, Nov 11, SH–XA</td>
<td>Industry briefing at CS Shanghai.</td>
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<td>Friday, Nov 12, XA</td>
<td>Visits to Xi’an Aircraft Industry Group.</td>
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<td>Trip to Terracotta Warrior site; other sightseeing.</td>
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<td>Monday, Nov 15, GZ–ZH</td>
<td>Afternoon flight to Guangzhou.</td>
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<td>Tuesday, Nov 16, ZH</td>
<td>Networking breakfast with the American Chamber of Commerce.</td>
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**Participation Requirements**

All parties interested in participating in the Aerospace Supplier Development Mission to China must complete and submit an application for consideration by the Department of Commerce. All applicants will be evaluated on their ability to meet certain conditions and best satisfy the selection criteria as outlined below. The mission will open on a first come first served basis to a minimum of 12 qualified U.S. companies.

**Fees and Expenses**

After a company has been selected to participate on the mission, a payment to the Department of Commerce in the form of a participation fee is required. The participation fee will be $5,100 per SME (less than 500 employees) plus $800 per additional company representative; or $6,000 per large company (more than 500 employees) plus $800 per additional company representative.

Expenses for lodging, some meals, incidentals, and travel (except for in-country arrangements previously noted) will be the responsibility of each mission participant.

**Conditions for Participation**

- An applicant must submit a completed and signed mission application and supplemental application materials, including adequate information on the company’s products and/or services, primary market objectives, and goals for participation.
- Each applicant must also certify that the products and services it seeks to export through the mission are either produced in the United States, or, if not, marketed under the name of a U.S. firm and have at least fifty-one percent U.S. content.

**Selection Criteria for Participation**

Selection will be based on the following criteria:
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), Commerce.

Title: Deposit of Biological Materials.

Form Number(s): None.

Agency Approval Number: 0651–0022.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 3,505 hours annually.

Number of Respondents: 3,501 responses per year. The USPTO expects that 3,500 patent applications on inventions dealing with deposits of biological materials will be filed each year, and that 1 depository will seek recognition every three years.

Avg. Hours per Response: The USPTO estimates that it will take 1 hour for the average patent applicant respondent to collect and submit the necessary deposit information and an average of 5 hours for the average depository seeking approval to store biological material to gather and submit the necessary approval information.

Needs and Uses: Information on the deposit of biological materials in depositories is required for (a) the USPTO determination of compliance with 35 U.S.C. 2(b)(2) and 112, and 37 CFR 1.801–1.809 and 1.14, where inventions sought to be patented rely on biological material subject to the deposit requirement, including notification to the interested public about where to obtain samples of deposits; and (b) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.803 to demonstrate that the depositories are qualified to store and test the biological material submitted to them. This collection is used by the USPTO to determine whether or not the applicant has met the requirements of the patent regulations. In addition, the USPTO uses this information to determine the suitability of a respondent depository based upon administrative and technical competence and the depository’s agreement to comply with the requirements set forth by the USPTO.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; businesses or other for-profits; not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent’s Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Nicholas A. Fraser, e-mail: Nicholas_A_Fraser@omb.eop.gov.

Once submitted, the request will be publicly available in electronic format through the Information Collection Review page at http://www.reginfo.gov.

Paper copies can be obtained by:

- E-mail: InformationCollection@uspto.gov.

- Fax: 571–273–0112, marked to the attention of Susan K. Fawcett.

- Mail: Susan K. Fawcett, Records Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent on or before August 12, 2010 to Nicholas A. Fraser, OMB Desk Officer, via e-mail at Nicholas_A_Fraser@omb.eop.gov or by fax to 202–395–5167, marked to the attention of Nicholas A. Fraser.

Susan K. Fawcett,
Records Officer, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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Title: Patent Term Extension.

Form Number(s): PTO/SB/131.

Agency Approval Number: 0651–0020.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 7,808 hours annually.

Number of Respondents: 13,586 responses per year.

Avg. Hours per Response: The USPTO estimates that it will take the public approximately 10 minutes (0.17 hours) to 25 hours, depending on the complexity and type of filing, to gather the necessary information, prepare the