

its Annual Meeting on Thursday, June 30, 2011, at 9:30 a.m. in Conference Room 1107, Department of State Building, 2201 C Street, NW., Washington, DC. The meeting is open to the public and will last until approximately 12 p.m.

The Overseas Schools Advisory Council works closely with the U.S. business community in improving those American-sponsored schools overseas that are assisted by the Department of State and attended by dependents of U.S. Government families and children of employees of U.S. corporations and foundations abroad.

This meeting will deal with issues related to the work and the support provided by the Overseas Schools Advisory Council to the American-sponsored overseas schools. The agenda includes a review of the projects selected for the 2009 and 2010 Educational Assistance Program, a presentation on current education issues in the United States and their impact on American-sponsored overseas schools, and a presentation on the Principals Training Center, which provides continuing education for administrators of American-sponsored overseas schools.

Members of the public may attend the meeting and join in the discussion, subject to the instructions of the Chair. Admittance of public members will be limited to the seating available. Access to the State Department is controlled, and individual building passes are required for all attendees. Persons who plan to attend should so advise the office of Dr. Keith D. Miller, Department of State, Office of Overseas Schools, Room H328, SA-1, Washington, DC 20522-0132, telephone 202-261-8200, prior to June 20, 2011. Each visitor will be asked to provide his/her date of birth and either driver's license or passport number at the time of registration and attendance, and must carry a valid photo ID to the meeting.

Personal data is requested pursuant to Public Law 99-399 (Omnibus Diplomatic Security and Antiterrorism Act of 1986), as amended; Public Law 107-56 (U.S.A. Patriot Act); and Executive Order 13356. The purpose of the collection is to validate the identity of individuals who enter Department facilities. The data will be entered into the Visitor Access Control System (VACS-D) database. Please see the Privacy Impact Assessment for VACS-D at <http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/100305.pdf> for additional information.

Any requests for reasonable accommodation should be made at the time of registration. All such requests

will be considered; however, requests made after June 20th might not be possible to fill. All attendees must use the C Street entrance to the building.

Dated: May 16, 2011.

**Keith D. Miller,**

*Executive Secretary, Overseas Schools Advisory Council.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

### [Public Notice 7477]

#### **Notice of Meeting of the Advisory Committee on International Law**

A meeting of the Advisory Committee on International Law will take place on Monday, June 6, 2011, from 9:30 a.m. to approximately 5:30 p.m., at the George Washington University Law School (Michael K. Young Faculty Conference Center, 5th Floor), 2000 H St., NW., Washington, DC. The meeting will be chaired by the Legal Adviser of the Department of State, Harold Hongju Koh, and will be open to the public up to the capacity of the meeting room. It is anticipated that the agenda of the meeting will cover a range of current international legal topics, including legal responses to recent developments in the Middle East, including diplomacy, economic responses and the use of force; international accountability mechanisms; the Arctic region and the Law of the Sea Convention; and national security in the digital age.

Members of the public who wish to attend the session should, by Friday, May 27, 2011, notify the Office of the Legal Adviser (telephone: 202-776-8323, e-mail: [AndersonSR@state.gov](mailto:AndersonSR@state.gov)) of their name, professional affiliation, address, and telephone number.

A valid photo ID is required for admittance. A member of the public who needs reasonable accommodation should make his or her request by May 27, 2011. Requests made after that time will be considered but might not be possible to accommodate.

Dated: May 18, 2011.

**Scott R. Anderson,**

*Executive Director, Office of International Claims and Investment Disputes, Office of the Legal Adviser, Advisory Committee on International Law, U.S. Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

### [Public Notice 7404]

#### **Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Committee Meeting**

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct four separate open meetings to prepare for upcoming events at the International Maritime Organization (IMO) in London, United Kingdom. The first of these open meetings will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 14, 2011, in Room 1200 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the sixty first Session of the IMO Technical Cooperation Committee (TC 61) to be held from June 21 to June 23, 2011.

*The primary matters to be considered at TC 61 include:*

- Adoption of the agenda.
- Work of other bodies and organizations.
- Integrated Technical Co-operation Programme.
- Financing the Integrated Technical Co-operation Programme.
- Linkage between the Integrated Technical Co-operation Programme and the Millennium Development Goals.
- Partnerships for progress.
- Voluntary IMO Member State Audit Scheme.
- Programme on the integration of women in the maritime sector.
- Global maritime training institutions.
- Report on the planned outputs of the Committee for 2010–2011.
- Impact Assessment Exercise 2008–2011.
- Revision of the Guidelines on Methods and Organization of Work of the Technical Co-operation Committee.
- Work Programme.
- Any other business.
- Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2012.
- Consideration of the report of the Committee on its sixty-first session.

The second open meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, also on June 14, 2011, in Room 1202 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-7126. The primary purpose of this meeting is to prepare for the one hundred and sixth Session of the IMO Council (C 106) to be held from June 27 to July 1, 2011.

*The primary matters to be considered at C 106 include:*

- Adoption of the agenda.

- Report of the Secretary-General on credentials.
- Strategy and planning.
- Organizational reforms.
- Resource management.
- Technical Co-operation Fund—biennial allocation to support the ITCP Programme for 2012–2013.
- Results-based budget.
- Voluntary IMO Member State Audit Scheme.
- Consideration of the reports of the Maritime Safety Committee.
- Consideration of the reports of the Technical Co-operation Committee.
- Protection of vital shipping lanes.
- World Maritime University.
- IMO International Maritime Law Institute.
- Assembly Matters.
- External Relations.
- Report on the status of the Convention and membership of the Organization.
- Report on the status of conventions and other multilateral instruments in respect of which the Organization performs functions.
- Appointment of the Secretary-General.
- Appreciation of the services to the Organization of Mr. E.E. Mitropoulos.
- Place and date of the next session of the Council.
- Supplementary agenda items.

The third open meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday July 6th, 2011, in Room 2501 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593–0001. The primary purpose of this meeting is to prepare for the sixty-second Session of the IMO Maritime Environment Protection Committee (MEPC 62) to be held from July 11 to July 15, 2011.

*The primary matters to be considered at MEPC 62 include:*

- Adoption of the agenda.
- Harmful aquatic organisms in ballast water.
- Recycling of ships.
- Prevention of air pollution from ships.
- Reduction of GHG emissions from ships.
- Consideration and adoption of amendments to mandatory instruments.
- Interpretations of, and amendments to, MARPOL and related instruments.
- Implementation of the OPRC Convention and the OPRC–HNS Protocol and relevant Conference resolutions.
- Identification and protection of Special Areas and Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas.
- Inadequacy of reception facilities.
- Reports of sub-committees.

- Work of other bodies.
- Status of conventions.
- Harmful anti-fouling systems for ships.
- Promotion of implementation and enforcement of MARPOL and related instruments.
- Technical Co-operation Sub-programme for the Protection of the Marine Environment.
- Role of the human element.
- Formal safety assessment.
- Noise from commercial shipping and its adverse impacts on marine life.
- Work programme of the Committee and subsidiary bodies.
- Application of the Committees' Guidelines.
- Election of the Chairman and Vice Chairman for 2012.
- Any other business.
- Consideration of the report of the Committee.

The fourth open meeting will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday July 7, 2011, at the offices of the Radio Technical Commission for Maritime Services (RTCM), 1800 N. Kent Street, Suite 1060, Arlington, Va. 22209. The primary purpose of this meeting is to prepare for the fifty-fifth Session of the International Maritime Organization's (IMO) Fire Protection Sub-Committee (FP 55) to be held from July 25 to July 29, 2011.

*The primary matters to be considered at FP 55 include:*

- Performance testing & approval standards for fire safety systems.
- Requirements for ships carrying hydrogen and compressed natural gas vehicles.
- Fire resistance of ventilation ducts.
- Measures to prevent explosions on oil and chemical tankers transporting low flash point cargoes.
- Recommendation on evacuation analysis for new and existing passenger ships.
- Consideration of IACS unified interpretations.
- Harmonization of the requirements for the location of entrances, air inlets and openings in the superstructure of tankers.
- Means of escape from machinery spaces.
- Review of fire protection requirements for on-deck cargoes.
- Analysis of fire casualty records.
- Revision of the Recommendations for entering enclosed spaces aboard ships.
- Guidelines for a visible element to general emergency alarm systems on passenger ships.
- Means for recharging air bottles for air breathing apparatuses.

- Safety provisions applicable to tenders operating from passenger ships.
- Development of unified interpretations for chapter 7 of the 2000 HSC Code.
- Development of amendments to the FSS Code for communication equipment for fire-fighting teams.
- Development of guidelines for use of fibre reinforced plastic within ships structures.
- Any other business.

Members of the public may attend the four meetings up to the seating capacity of the rooms. To facilitate the building security process, and to request reasonable accommodation, those who plan to attend one or all of the four meetings should contact the following coordinators at least 7 days prior to the meetings:

—For the TC 61 meeting on June 14, contact LCDR Jason Smith, by e-mail at [jason.e.smith2@uscg.mil](mailto:jason.e.smith2@uscg.mil), by phone at (202) 372–1376, by fax at (202) 372–1925, or in writing at Commandant (CG–52), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 2nd Street, SW., Stop 7126, Washington, DC 20593–7126 not later than June 7, 2011, 7 days prior to the meeting. Requests made after June 7, 2011 might not be able to be accommodated.

—For the C 106 meeting also on June 14, contact LTJG Kirsten Ambors, by e-mail at [imo@uscg.mil](mailto:imo@uscg.mil), by phone at (202) 372–1417, by fax at (202) 372–1925, or in writing at Commandant (CG–52), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 2nd Street, SW., Stop 7126, Washington, DC 20593–7126 not later than June 7, 2010, 7 days prior to the meeting. Requests made after June 7 might not be able to be accommodated.

—For the MEPC 62 meeting on July 6, contact Mr. John Meehan, by e-mail at [John.A.Meehan@uscg.mil](mailto:John.A.Meehan@uscg.mil), by phone at (202) 372–1429, by fax at (202) 372–1925, or in writing at Commandant (CG–52), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 2nd Street, SW., Stop 7126, Washington, DC 20593–7126 not later than June 28, 2011, 7 days prior to the meeting. Requests made after June 28, 2011 might not be able to be accommodated.

—For the FP 55 meeting on July 7, contact Mr. Randall Eberly, by e-mail at [randall.eberly@uscg.mil](mailto:randall.eberly@uscg.mil), by phone at (202) 372–1393, by fax at (202) 372–1925, or in writing at Commandant (CG–5214), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 2nd Street, SW., Stop 7126, Washington, DC 20593–7126 not later than June 30, 2011, 7 days prior to the meeting.

Please note that due to security considerations at Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, DC, two valid, government issued photo identifications must be presented to gain entrance to the Headquarters building. The Headquarters building is accessible by taxi and privately owned conveyance (public transportation is not generally available). However, parking in the vicinity of the building is extremely limited.

RTCM Headquarters is adjacent to the Rosslyn Metro station. For further directions and lodging information, please see: <http://www.rtcn.org/visit.php>. Access to RTCM in Arlington, VA does not require the production of government issued photo identification.

*Additional information regarding this and other IMO SHC public meetings may be found at: <http://www.uscg.mil/imo>.*

Dated: May 18, 2011.

**Jon Trent Warner,**  
Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating Committee, Department of State.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Civil Supersonic Aircraft Panel Discussion

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting participation.

**SUMMARY:** This notice advises interested persons that the FAA is conducting its fourth public meeting on civil supersonic aircraft research. The public meeting will include presentations on current research programs and a question and answer session for attendees. The purpose of the meeting is to raise public awareness of the continuing technological advancements in supersonic aircraft technology aimed at reducing the intensity of sonic boom.

**DATES:** The public meeting will be held on Thursday, July 14, 2011, in Washington, DC from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Attendees are encouraged to either come early or stay later to visit the Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation (Gulfstream) Supersonic Acoustic Signature Simulator (SASSII) that will be outside of the Department of Transportation (DOT) building.

Meeting registration is required by June 23; there is no registration fee. All participants are requested to register at the following Web site: <https://spreadsheets.google.com/spreadsheet/> viewform?formkey=dEFEdlRnYzBiaHZtTUozTHVtbkF4d0E6M.Q

**ADDRESSES:** The public meeting will be held at the DOT Headquarters building, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Washington, DC 20590, Conference Room Oklahoma A-C. The DOT building is located across the street from the Navy Yard Metro stop on the Green Line. Attendance is open to all interested parties; however, for building security requirements, please register by June 23 (see above for information on registration).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Laurette Fisher, Office of Environment and Energy (AEE-100), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; e-mail [laurette.fisher@faa.gov](mailto:laurette.fisher@faa.gov), facsimile (202) 267-5594, telephone (202) 267-3561 and Sandy Liu, Office of Environment and Energy (AEE-100), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; e-mail [sandy.liu@faa.gov](mailto:sandy.liu@faa.gov), facsimile (202) 267-5594, telephone (202) 493-4864.

**Background:** Since March 1973, supersonic flight over land by civil aircraft has been prohibited in the United States. The Concorde was the only civil supersonic airplane that offered service to the United States, but that airplane is no longer in service.

The interest in supersonic aircraft technology has not disappeared. Current research is dedicated toward reducing the impact of sonic booms as they reach the ground, in an effort to make overland flight acceptable. Recent research has produced promising results for low boom intensity, and has renewed interest in developing supersonic civil aircraft that could be considered environmentally acceptable for supersonic flight over land.

The FAA has held three previous public meetings. The first meeting was held in Chicago, IL on Friday, October 24, 2008, as part of the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission Symposium. The second meeting was held in Palm Springs, CA on Sunday, March 1, 2009, as part of the Annual University of California Symposium on Aviation Noise and Air Quality. And, the third meeting took place on Wednesday, April 21, 2010, as part of the joint meeting of the 159th Acoustical Society of America and NOISE-CON 2010 in Baltimore, Maryland 21202.

The purpose of these meetings is to raise public awareness on advances in supersonic technology, and for the FAA, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), and industry to get feedback from interested persons.

Highlighting the effort to raise awareness, Gulfstream has supported the FAA's public meetings by making its Supersonic Acoustic Signature Simulator II (SASSII) available for attendees to visit. The SASSII is a mobile audio booth designed and equipped to demonstrate the "Gulfstream Whisper", the aerospace company's latest effort to provide a solution to the traditional sonic boom.

A supersonic aircraft such as the Concorde in cruise produces a traditional jagged "N-wave" sonic boom pressure wave, resulting in a loud, jarring double boom on the ground as it passes by. Gulfstream's patented spike for controlling and reducing sonic boom transforms the traditional N-wave sonic boom into a smooth and more rounded pressure wave shaped roughly like a sine wave or a sideways "S". This change in the wave shape results in a softer sound that is quieter than the Concord sonic boom by a factor of 10,000. Gulfstream developed the mobile SASSII so others could experience this dramatic sound difference. The simulator enables visitors to sense for themselves the dramatic difference in sound, reverberation, and intensity. Using a sophisticated, computer-based audio system, the acoustic engineer sends the audio feed into a sound booth where visitors can compare various sound signatures.

Public involvement is essential in any future definition of an acceptable new standard that would allow supersonic flights over land. We anticipate that this will be one of many meetings informing the public on the continual developments in the research of shaped sonic booms and other technical and environmental challenges that need to be addressed in developing a new supersonic airplane.

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**Lourdes Q. Maurice,**  
Executive Director, Office of Environment and Energy.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

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#### Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.