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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Office of Advocacy and Outreach; Advisory Committee on Minority Farmers; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Office of Advocacy and Outreach, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of a public advisory committee of the Office of Advocacy and Outreach (OAO). Notice of the meetings are provided in accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2). This meeting will be open to the public.

As required by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, the OAO announces a public meeting of the Advisory Committee on Minority Farmers (Committee) to advise the Secretary of Agriculture on: (1) The implementation of section 2501 of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990, as amended, 7 U.S.C. 2279; (2) methods of maximizing the participation of minority farmers and ranchers in Department of Agriculture programs; and (3) civil rights activities within the Department as such activities relate to participants in such programs.

DATES: The meeting will be held on August 11, 2011, and August 12, 2011, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., respectively. The meeting will be open to the public for public comment on August 11, 2011, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

ADDRESS: The meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Plaza, 300 North Second Street, Memphis, TN 38105. The hotel’s telephone number is 901-525-1800.

Written comments may be submitted to: Henry Searcy, Jr., Designated Federal Officer, OAO, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Whitten Bldg., 520–A, Washington, DC 20250, 202–692–4119.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions should be directed to Phyllis Morgan, Executive Assistant, OAO, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Whitten Bldg., 520–A, Washington, DC 20250, 202–692–4119.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Foreign Agricultural Service

Notice of Funding Availability: Inviting Applications for the Food for Progress Program

Catalog Number: New.

SUMMARY: The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) announces it is inviting proposals for the Food for Progress (FFPr) program. The total resources available are estimated at about $160 million. The FFPr Program is administered by FAS.

DATES: All applications must be received by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time October 26, 2011. Applications received after this date will not be considered.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Food Assistance Division, Office of Capacity Building and Development, Foreign Agricultural Service, 1250 Maryland Avenue, Suite 400, SW., Washington, DC 20024; or by phone: (202) 720–4221; or by fax: (202) 690–0251; or by e-mail at pped@fas.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Funding Opportunity Description

A. Authority: The FFPr program is authorized by the Food for Progress Act of 1985, as amended.

B. Purpose: The FFPr program provides for the donation of U.S. agricultural commodities to developing countries and countries that are emerging democracies that have made commitments to introduce or expand free enterprise in their agricultural economies. Donated commodities are typically “monetized” (or sold on the local market), and the proceeds are used