

Programs Appropriations Act, 2018 (Div. K, Pub. L. 115–141), I hereby certify that the Government of Egypt is sustaining the strategic relationship with the United States and meeting its obligations under the 1979 Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty.

This determination shall be published in the **Federal Register** and, along with the accompanying Memorandum of Justification, shall be reported to Congress.

Dated: August 20, 2018.

Michael R. Pompeo,
Secretary of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 10569]

Determination Pursuant to Section 7041(A)(3)(B) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2017

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Secretary of State pursuant to section 7041(a)(3)(B) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2017 (Div. J, Pub. L. 115–31) (the “Act”), I hereby determine that it is important to the national security interest of the United States to waive the certification requirement under section 7041(a)(3)(A) of the Act. I hereby waive that requirement.

This determination shall be published in the **Federal Register** and shall be reported to Congress, along with the accompanying Memorandum of Justification.

Dated: August 20, 2018.

Michael R. Pompeo,
Secretary of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 10564]

Notice of Public Meeting of the International Telecommunication Advisory Committee and Preparations for Upcoming International Telecommunications Meetings

This notice announces a meeting of the Department of State’s International Telecommunication Advisory Committee (ITAC). The ITAC will meet on October 17, 2018, at AT&T, 1120, 20th Street NW, Washington DC at 2:00 p.m. to review the results of recent multilateral meetings’, update on

preparations for the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) 2018 Plenipotentiary Conference (PP–18), and discuss preparations for other upcoming multilateral meetings at the ITU. The meeting will focus on the following topics:

1. ITU Council
2. CITEL Meetings
3. Preparations for the ITU PP–18
4. Regional PP–18 Preparatory Groups
5. Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Telecommunications Working Group 58 (TEL 58)
6. Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Committee on Digital Economy Policy (CDEP)
7. G20 Digital Economy Task Force
8. G7 Innovation/ICT Track

PP–18 will take place in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, from October 29 to November 17, 2018. The Plenipotentiary Conference, which takes place every four years, is the highest policy-making body of the ITU. PP–18 is expected to determine the overall policy direction of the ITU; adopt the strategic and financial plans for the next four years; and elect the 48 members of Council, 12 members of the Radio Regulations Board, and five senior ITU elected officials.

The OECD is scoping possible principles to foster trust in and adoption of artificial intelligence. The Department of State would welcome any written comments on this work to the ITAC email address.

Attendance at the ITAC meeting is open to the public as seating capacity allows. The public will have an opportunity to provide comments at this meeting at the invitation of the chair. Persons wishing to request reasonable accommodation during the meeting should send their requests to *ITAC@state.gov* no later than October 11, 2018. Requests made after that time will be considered, but might not be able to be accommodated.

Further details on this ITAC meeting will be announced through the Department of State’s email list, *ITAC@lmlist.state.gov*. Use of the ITAC list is limited to meeting announcements and confirmations, distribution of agendas and other relevant meeting documents. The Department welcomes any U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident to remain on or join the ITAC listserv by registering by email via *ITAC@state.gov* and providing his or her name, email address, telephone contact and the company, organization, or community that he or she is representing, if any.

Please send all inquiries to *ITAC@state.gov*.

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Director, Multilateral Affairs, International Communications and Information Policy, U.S. Department of State.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. MCF 21083]

National Express LLC—Acquisition of Control—Wise Coaches, Inc.

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.

ACTION: Notice tentatively approving and authorizing finance transaction.

SUMMARY: On August 31, 2018, National Express LLC (National Express) and Alan Wise (collectively, Applicants), noncarriers, jointly filed an application under 49 U.S.C. 14303 for National Express to acquire control of Wise Coaches, Inc. d/b/a Wise Coach of Nashville (Wise). The Board is tentatively approving and authorizing the transaction, and, if no opposing comments are timely filed, this notice will be the final Board action. Persons wishing to oppose the application must follow the rules at 49 CFR 1182.5 & 1182.8.

DATES: Comments must be filed by November 13, 2018. Applicants may file a reply by November 27, 2018. If no opposing comments are filed by November 13, 2018, this notice shall be effective on November 14, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Send an original and 10 copies of any comments referring to Docket No. MCF 21083 to: Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423–0001. In addition, send one copy of comments to National Express’ representative: Andrew K. Light, Scopelitis, Garvin, Light, Hanson & Feary, P.C., 10 W Market Street, Suite 1400, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sarah Fancher (202) 245–0355. Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) for the hearing impaired: 1–800–877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: According to the application, National Express is a non-carrier holding company organized under the laws of the state of Delaware that is indirectly controlled by a British corporation, National Express Group, PLC (Express Group). (Appl. 1–2.) Applicants state that Express Group indirectly controls the following passenger motor carriers (collectively, National Express Affiliated Carriers):