The information collected via the IRS Burden Surveys will be used by IRS to support or achieve several important goals:

1. Fulfill its mission to provide top quality service to taxpayers
2. Better understand taxpayer time and out-of-pocket burden
3. Improve the accuracy and comparability of the information collection budget estimates it provides under the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq*.)
4. Provide data to be used in micro-simulation models to allow estimation of the impact of proposed legislation on taxpayer burden before the legislation is enacted
5. Support ongoing analysis of the role of compliance costs in influencing taxpayer behavior and identifying taxpayer needs
6. Provide information to the Executives and Operating Divisions for assessing the impact of programs on taxpayer burden
7. Support tax analysis in the Treasury Department Offices
8. Assist the IRS in evaluating the effectiveness and associated impact on taxpayer costs and behavior of the following IRS initiatives: Return preparer e-file initiative, Return preparer regulation initiative, and Tax package mailing cost reduction initiative

Forms: 2018 Business Taxpayer Burden Survey.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 17,550.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

Dated: April 2, 2018.

Jennifer P. Quintana,

Treasury PRA Clearance Officer.

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U.S.-CHINA ECONOMIC AND SECURITY REVIEW COMMISSION

Notice of Open Public Hearing

AGENCY: U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission.

ACTION: Notice of open public hearing.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following hearing of the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission.

The Commission is mandated by Congress to investigate, assess, and report to Congress annually on ''the national security implications of the economic relationship between the United States and the People's Republic of China.'' Pursuant to this mandate, the Commission will hold a public hearing in Washington, DC on April 26, 2018 on ''China's Agricultural Policies: Trade, Investment, Safety, and Innovation.''

DATES: The hearing is scheduled for Thursday, April 26, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:20 p.m.

ADDRESSES: TBD, Washington, DC. A detailed agenda for the hearing will be posted on the Commission's website at *www.uscc.gov.* Also, please check the Commission's website for possible changes to the hearing schedule. *Reservations are not required to attend the hearing.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public seeking further information concerning the hearing should contact Leslie Tisdale, 444 North Capitol Street NW, Suite 602, Washington DC 20001; telephone: 202–624–1496, or via email at *ltisdale@uscc.gov. Reservations are not required to attend the hearing.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: This is the fifth public hearing the Commission will hold during its 2018 report cycle. This hearing will investigate China's food policies and how they affect the United States. It will examine China's food security and agricultural trade policy, China's investment in food resources abroad, the impact of China's biotechnology policies on U.S. firms and farmers, and export opportunities for U.S. food and agricultural firms in China. It will also probe food safety challenges in China and how the United States should respond to food safety and market conditions in China. The hearing will be co-chaired by Chairman Robin Cleveland and Senator Carte Goodwin. Any interested party may file a written statement by April 26, 2018, by mailing to the contact above. A portion of each panel will include a question and answer period between the Commissioners and the witnesses.

Authority: Congress created the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission in 2000 in the National Defense Authorization Act (Pub. L. 106–398), as amended by Division P of the Consolidated Appropriations Resolution, 2003 (Pub. L. 108–7), as amended by Public Law 109–108 (November 22, 2005), as amended by Public Law 113–291 (December 19, 2014).

Dated: April 2, 2018.

Kathleen Wilson,

Finance and Operations Director, U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Women Veterans, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice that the Advisory Committee on Women Veterans will meet on May 8–10, 2018, at VA Central Office, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Conference Room 930, Washington, DC 20420. The meeting will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. on Tuesday, May 8 and Wednesday, May 9. On Thursday, May 10, the meeting will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs regarding the needs of women Veterans with respect to health care, rehabilitation, compensation, outreach, and other programs and activities administered by VA designed to meet such needs. The Committee makes recommendations to the Secretary regarding such programs and activities.

The agenda will include updates from the Veterans Health Administration, the Veterans Benefits Administration, National Cemetery Administration, and Staff Offices, as well as updates on recommendations from the 2016 Report of the Advisory Committee on Women Veterans.

No time will be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentations from the public. Interested parties should provide written comments for review by the Committee to Ms. Shannon L. Middleton, VA Center for Women Veterans (00W), 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, or email at *00W@mail.va.gov,* or fax to (202) 273–7092. Because the meeting is being held in a government building, a photo I.D. must be presented at the Guard's Desk as a part of the screening process. Due to an increase in security protocols, you should allow an additional 30 minutes before the meeting begins. Any member of the public who wishes to attend the meeting or wants additional information should contact Ms. Middleton at (202) 461–6193.

Dated: April 2, 2018.

Jelessa M. Burney,

Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice that the Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans will be held in Saint Louis, Missouri from April 17–19, 2018, at the below times and locations:

On April 17, from 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the New Mexico VA Health Care System—John Cochran Division, Bldg. 2, Education Wing, Room 141 & 142, 915 North Grand Blvd., St. Louis, Missouri.

On April 18, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at the Jefferson National Cemetery, 2900 Sheridan Road, Saint Louis, MO; from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., conducting a Town Hall Meeting at the Harris-Stowe State University (HSSU) William L. Clay Sr. Early Childhood Center's Professional Development Auditorium—Room 204, 3026 Laclede Ave., Saint Louis, MO.

On April 19, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., at the VA St. Louis Health Care System—John Cochran Division, Bldg. 2, Education Wing, Room 141 & 142, 915 North Grand Blvd., Saint Louis, MO.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary on the administration of VA benefits and services to minority Veterans, to assess the needs of minority Veterans and to evaluate whether VA compensation and pension, medical and rehabilitation services, memorial services outreach, and other programs are meeting those needs.

The Committee will make recommendations to the Secretary regarding such activities subsequent to the meeting.

On the morning of April 17 from 8:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., the Committee will meet in open session with key staff at the VA Saint Louis Health Care System—John Cochran Division to discuss services, benefits, delivery challenges, and successes. From 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., the Committee will convene a closed session in order to protect patient privacy as the Committee tours the VA Health Care System. In the afternoon from 1:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., the Committee will reconvene as the Committee is briefed by senior Veterans Benefits Administration staff from the Saint Louis Regional Benefit Office. From 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., the Committee will conduct an after action review of the site visit.

On the morning of April 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., the Committee will convene in open session at the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery followed by a tour of the cemetery. The Committee will meet with key staff to discuss services, benefits, delivery challenges and successes. In the evening, the Committee will hold a Veterans Town Hall meeting beginning at 4:30 p.m., at the Harris-Stowe State University (HSSU) William L. Clay Sr. Early Childhood Center in the Professional Development Auditorium—Room204.

On the morning of April 19 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., the Committee will convene in open session at the VA Saint Louis Health Care System—John Cochran Division to conduct an exit briefing with leadership from the VA Saint Louis Health Care System, Saint Louis Regional Benefit Office, and Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. In the afternoon from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., the Committee will work on drafting recommendations for the annual report to the Secretary.

Sessions are open to the public, except when the Committee is conducting tours of VA facilities, participating in off-site events, and participating in workgroup sessions. Tours of VA facilities are closed, to protect from disclosure Veterans' information the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Time will be allocated for receiving public comments on April 19, at 10 a.m. Public comments will be limited to three minutes each. Individuals wishing to make oral statements before the Committee will be accommodated on a first-come first serve basis. Individuals who speak are invited to submit a 1–2 page summaries of their comments at the time of the meeting for inclusion in the official record. The Committee will accept written comments from interested parties on issues outlined in the meeting agenda, as well as other issues affecting minority Veterans. Such comments should be sent to Ms. Juanita Mullen, Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans, Center for Minority Veterans (00M), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, or email at *Juanita.Mullen@va.gov.* For additional information about the meeting, please contact Ms. Juanita Mullen at (202) 461–6199.

Dated: April 2, 2018.

Jelessa M. Burney,

Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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