

optional consultation on proposed certifications. Instead, the Committee decided to review certifications only after the public comment period closes so that its consultation includes the benefit of all public comments received. This notice does not publish the complete certification packages because they are too voluminous. Copies of the certification packages can be obtained from the contact listed above.

Once public comments have been received and considered, the NWS will complete consultation with the Committee and determine whether to proceed with the final certification. If a final decision to certify an office is made, the Secretary of Commerce must publish final certifications in the FR and transmit them to the appropriate congressional committees prior to consolidating, automating, and closing the office.

Dated: September 23, 1999.

**Irwin T. David,**

*Chief Financial Officer/Chief Administrative Officer National Weather Service.*

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## COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

### Removing a Company From List of Companies From Which Customs Shall Deny Entry to Textiles and Textile Products

September 24, 1999.

**AGENCY:** Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs directing Customs not to apply the directive regarding denial of entry to shipments from a certain company.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** September 29, 1999.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Martin Walsh, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3400.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Authority:** Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 12475 of May 9, 1984, as amended.

In a notice and letter to the Commissioner of Customs, dated July 27, 1999, and published in the **Federal Register** on July 30, 1999 (64 FR 41395), the Chairman of CITA directed the U.S. Customs Service to deny entry to textiles and textile products allegedly

manufactured by certain listed companies; Customs had informed CITA that these companies were found to have been illegally transshipping, closed, or unable to produce records to verify production.

Based on information received since that time, including a recent on-site verification of this company's textile product production, CITA has determined that E. Tin Chong Ou, Fabrica de Fia. Vestuario, one of the listed companies, should not be subject to that directive. Effective on September 29, 1999, Customs should not apply the directive to shipments of textiles and textile products allegedly manufactured by this company. CITA expects that Customs will conduct additional on-site verifications of this company's production when possible.

**Troy H. Cribb,**

*Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

### Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

September 24, 1999.

Commissioner of Customs

*Department of Treasury, Washington, DC 20229*

Dear Commissioner: In the letter to the Commissioner of Customs, dated July 27, 1999 (64 FR 41395), the Chairman of CITA directed the U.S. Customs Service to deny entry to textiles and textile products allegedly manufactured by certain listed companies; Customs had informed CITA that these companies were found to have been illegally transshipping, closed, or unable to produce records to verify production.

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CITA has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

Troy H. Cribb,

*Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Meeting of the Naval Research Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DOD.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Naval Research Advisory Committee (NRAC) Panel on Commercial Science and Technology will meet to review and assess European intermediate to long-term commercial Science and Technology investment strategy in areas related to Department of the Navy dependence upon commercial off-the-shelf products, in an effort to identify mutually beneficial opportunities for Department of the Navy Science and Technology collaboration with commercial industrial sectors. All sessions of the meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Thursday, October 7, 1999, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**ADDRESS:** The meeting will be held at the Jorge Scientific Corporation, 1225 Jefferson Davis Highway, 6th Floor, Suite 600, Crystal Gateway Two, Arlington, Virginia.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Diane Mason-Muir, Program Director, Naval Research Advisory Committee, 800 North Quincy Street, Arlington, VA 22217-5660, telephone number: (703) 696-6769.

Dated: September 22, 1999.

**J.L. Roth,**

*Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy, Office of the Judge Advocate General, Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES

### Sunshine Act Meeting; Meeting Notice

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences.

**TIME AND DATE:** 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., November 2, 1999.

**PLACE:** Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Board of Regents Conference Room (D3001), 4301 Jones Bridge Road, Bethesda, MD 20814-4799.

**STATUS:** Open—under "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b(e)(3)).

#### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

8:30 a.m.—Meeting—Board of Regents  
(1) Approval of Minutes—August 2, 1999

- (2) Faculty Matters
- (3) Departmental Reports
- (4) Financial Report
- (5) Report—President, USUHS
- (6) Report—Dean, School of Medicine
- (7) Report—Dean, Graduate School of Nursing
- (8) Comments—Chairman, Board of Regents
- (9) New Business

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Mr. Bobby D. Anderson, Executive Secretary, Board of Regents, (301) 295-3116.

Dated: September 24, 1999.

**Linda Bynum,**

*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer  
Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests.

**SUMMARY:** The Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 29, 1999.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and

proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues:

(1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: September 23, 1999.

**John Tressler,**

*Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

### Office of the Chief Financial Officer

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement.

*Title:* Applicants Proposed Budget Information.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs and LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:* Responses: 17,248; Burden Hours: 301,840.

*Abstract:* This collection is necessary for the award and administration of discretionary and formula grants. The collections specific to ED forms are part of the reinvented process ED used for awarding multi-year discretionary grants. The new process substantially increases flexibility of the grant process by enabling all years of multi-year budgets to be negotiated at the time of initial award (ED FORM 524).

Written comments or requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Vivian Reese, US Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the Internet address OCIO—IMG—Issues@ed.gov, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

For questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements, contact Jacqueline Montague at 202-708-5359 or by e-mail at jackie—montague@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal

Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

#### Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Advisory Committee on Appliance Energy Efficiency Standards

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Appliance Energy Efficiency Standards. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATE AND TIME:** October 21, 1999, 9 am-4:45 pm

**ADDRESSES:** U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 1E-245, Washington, DC 20585-0121.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Linda Graves, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Forrestal Building, Mail Station EE-41, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0121, (202) 586-1851 or 586-7819; or Brenda Edwards-Jones, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Forrestal Building, Mail Station EE-41, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0121, (202) 586-2945.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Charter of the Advisory Committee has been renewed for two years to December 2000, and new members have been appointed to the Committee. This is the second meeting of the Committee since the charter was renewed. The Committee will review and deliberate on DOE's activities and provide comments and recommendations to the Department.

#### Purpose of the Meeting

- Update members on DOE rulemaking: schedule, priorities, and plans for fiscal year 2000.
- Discuss how changes to the rulemaking process are working.
- Update members on commercial equipment standards.
- Discuss consumer pricing and marketing anomalies, identify appliance