

## POLICY JUSTIFICATION

### Egypt – C-130H Aircraft

**The Government of Egypt has requested a possible sale of three C-130H aircraft with engines, spare and repair parts, devices, support equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics personnel services and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$94 million.**

**This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a friendly country which has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.**

**Egypt requires these aircraft to further develop and enhance its C-130 fleet. These aircraft will be used for airlift of military forces and supplies. Egypt can easily absorb and utilize these additional C-130 aircraft within its existing structure.**

**The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not affect the basic military balance in the region.**

**The prime contractor will be the Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company of Marietta, Georgia. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.**

**The number of U.S. Government and contractor representatives required in-country to support the program will be determined in joint negotiations as the program proceeds through the development, production and equipment installation phases.**

**There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.**

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### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

#### **Office of the Secretary**

#### **Defense Science Board**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice of advisory committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Defense Science Board Task Force on Employment of the National Ignition Facility (NIF) will meet in closed session on August 16, 2004, Institute for Defense Analyses, 4850 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA. This Task Force will review the experimental program under development for the National Ignition Facility. NIF is a key component of the National Nuclear Security Administration's (NNSA's) Stockpile Stewardship Program to maintain the nuclear weapons stockpile without nuclear testing. The NIF is a 192-beam laser designed to achieve fusion ignition and produce high-energy-density

condition approaching those of nuclear weapons. NNSA and the high-energy-density physics community have developed a plan for activation and early use of NIF which includes a goal to demonstrate ignition by 2010 and also supports high priority, non-ignition experiments required for stockpile stewardship. In this assessment, the task force will assess the proposed ignition and "non-ignition" high-energy-density experimental programs at NIF. Review the overall balance and priority of activities within the proposed plan and the degree to which the proposed program of NIF experiments supports the near and long term goals of stockpile stewardship and the overall NIF mission. Assess the potential for NIF to support the design and development of new weapons. Focus on the extent to which major stakeholders in NIF are effectively integrated into the plan.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At

these meetings, the Defense Science Board Task Force will assess the proposed ignition and "non-ignition" high-energy-density experimental programs at NIF. Review the overall balance and priority of activities within the proposed plan and the degree to which the proposed program of NIF experiments supports the near and long term goals of stockpile stewardship and the overall NIF mission. Assess the potential for NIF to support the design and development of new weapons. Focus on the extent to which major stakeholders in NIF are effectively integrated into the plan.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2), it has been determined that these Defense Science Board Task Force meetings concern matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) and that, accordingly, these meetings will be closed to the public.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary of Defense

#### Meeting of the DoD Advisory Group on Electron Devices

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense, Advisory Group on Electron Devices.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The DoD Advisory Group on Electron Devices (AGED) announces a closed session meeting and Study Topic Review on Field Programmable Gate Arrays for Military Applications.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held at 0830, Monday, August 2, 2004. The Study Topic Review will be held August 3rd 0800-2130, August 4th 0830-1800 and August 5th 0900-1700.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at Naval Postgraduate School, 1 University Circle, Monterey, CA 93943.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Eric Carr, AGED Secretariat, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal Square Four, Suite 500, Arlington, Virginia 22202.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The mission of the Advisory Group is to provide advice to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics to the Director of Defense Research and Engineering (DDR&E), and through the DDR&E to the Director, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency and the Military Departments in planning and managing an effective and economical research and development program in the area of electron devices.

The AGED meeting will be limited to review of research and development programs which the Military Departments propose to initiate with industry, universities or in their laboratories. The agenda for this meeting will include programs on microwave technology, microelectronics, electro-optics, and electronics materials.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of Pub. L. 93-463, as amended, (5 U.S.C. App. 10(d)), it has been determined that this Advisory Group meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1), and that accordingly, this meeting will be closed to the public.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Membership of the Performance Review Board

**AGENCY:** Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS), DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

This notice announces the appointment of the members of the Performance Review Board (PRB) of DFAS. The publication of PRB membership is required by 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4).

The PRB provides fair and impartial review of Senior Executive Service performance appraisals and makes recommendations regarding performance ratings and performance awards to the Director, DFAS.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** August 17, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lee Evans, Human Resources Directorate, Defense Finance and Accounting Service, Arlington, Virginia, (703) 607-1468.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4), the following executives are appointed to the DFAS PRB: Brig Gen Jan D. Eakle (Chairperson), Patrick T. Shine, Edward T. Grysavage, Nancy Zmyslinski.

Executives listed will serve a 1-year renewable term effective August 17, 2004.

Dated: July 13, 2004.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Air Force

#### Request for Public Review and Comment of Changes to the Navstar GPS Space Segment/Navigation User Segment Interface Control Document (ICD)

**AGENCY:** Department of the Air Force, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice and Request for Review/Comment of Changes to ICD-GPS-200C

**SUMMARY:** This notice informs the public that the Global Positioning System (GPS) Joint Program Office (JPO) proposes to revise ICD-GPS-200, Navstar GPS Space Segment / Navigation User Interfaces to update the Letters of Exception (LOEs) currently included in the ICD. These proposed changes are described in a Proposed Interface Revision Notice (PIRN): PIRN-200C-008 Revision A. This revision is an updated version of previously distributed PIRN-200C-008. The latest PIRN can be viewed and downloaded at the following web site: <http://gps.losangeles.af.mil>. Select "System Engineering" and then "Public Interface Control Working Group". Hyperlinks are provided to "PIRN-200C-008A (PDF)" and to review instructions. Reviewers should save the PIRN to a local memory location prior to opening and performing the review.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments to SMC/GPERC, 2420 Vela Way, Suite 1467, El Segundo, CA 90245-4659. A comment matrix is provided for your convenience at the web site and is the preferred method of comment submittal. Comments may be submitted to the following Internet address: [smc.czerc@losangeles.af.mil](mailto:smc.czerc@losangeles.af.mil). Comments may also be sent by fax to 1-310-363-6387.

**DATES:** The suspense date for comment submittal is July 30, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** GPERC at 1-310-363-6329, GPS JPO System Engineering Division, or write to the address above.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The civilian and military communities use the Global Positioning System, which employs a constellation of 24 satellites to provide continuously transmitted signals to enable appropriately configured GPS user equipment to produce accurate position, navigation, and time information.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Air Force

#### Performance Review Boards List of 2004 Members

Below is a list of individuals who are eligible to serve on the Performance Review Boards for the Department of the Air Force in accordance with the Air Force Senior Executive Appraisal and Awards System.