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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 6345]

TITLE: Defense Trade Advisory Group; Notice of Meeting October 21, 2008

SUMMARY: The Defense Trade Advisory Group (DTAG) will meet on October 21, 2008 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Loy Henderson Conference Room at the U.S. Department of State, Harry S. Truman Building, Washington, D.C. The meeting will be open to the public. Entry and registration will begin at 8:45. Please use the building entrance located at 23rd Street, NW, Washington, DC between C&D Streets. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss current defense trade issues and topics for further study.

As access to the Department of State facilities is controlled, persons wishing to attend the meeting must notify the DTAG Executive Secretariat by COB Tuesday, October 14, 2008. If notified after this date, the DTAG Secretariat cannot guarantee that the Department's Bureau of Diplomatic Security can complete the necessary processing required to attend the October 21 plenary. Each non-member observer or DTAG member needing building access that wishes to attend this plenary session should provide: his/her name; company or organizational affiliation; phone number; date of birth; and identifying data such as driver's license number, U.S. Government ID, or U.S. Military ID, to the DTAG Secretariat contact person, Allie Frantz, via e-mail at FrantzA@state.gov. DTAG members planning to attend the plenary session should notify the DTAG Secretariat contact person, Allie Frantz, at the e-mail provided above. A RSVP list will be provided to Diplomatic Security and the Reception Desk at the 23rd Street Entrance. One of the following forms of valid photo identification will be required

for admission to the Department of State building: U.S. driver's license, U.S. passport, U.S. Government ID or other valid photo ID.

DATES: The DTAG meeting will be held on October 21, 2008 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and is open to the public.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Loy Henderson Conference Room at the U.S. Department of State, Harry S. Truman Building, Washington D.C.

DTAG members and non-member observers are required to pre-register due to security reasons.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Members of the public who need additional information regarding these meetings or the DTAG should contact the DTAG Executive Secretariat contact person, Allie Frantz, PM/DDTC, SA-1, 12th Floor, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, U.S. Department of State, Washington, D.C. 20522-0112; telephone (202) 736-9220; FAX (202) 261-8199; or e-mail FrantzA@state.gov .

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

(a) Background

The membership of this advisory committee consists of private sector defense trade representatives who advise the Department on policies, regulations, and technical issues affecting defense trade. Individuals interested in defense trade issues are invited to attend and will be able to participate in the discussion in accordance with the Chair's instructions. Members of the public may, if they wish, submit a brief statement to the committee in writing.

October 21, 2008 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Meeting – Topics for discussion and assigned time frames are as follows: 9:30-9:45 Call to order by DTAG Chairman, followed by Opening Remarks from Department of State Official(s). 9:45-10:00 Update on the three topics addressed at the June 19, 2008 open plenary; Self-Financing Options for the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (including

the DTAG Working Group's presentation of their report), the UK-US Defense Trade Cooperation Treaty Implementing Regulations, and the new USML Category VIII regulations implementing Section 17(c) of the Export Administration Act. 10:00-11:15 DTAG Working Group on the U.S. Munitions List (USML) Review presentation. 11:30-12:45 DTAG Working Group on ITAR Definitions presentation. 12:45-1:00 Closing Remarks.

(b) Availability of Materials for the Meetings

The agenda and materials pertaining to the topics for discussion will be posted on the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls' website at <http://pmdtcc.state.gov/index.htm> no later than October 17, 2008.

(c) Procedures for Providing Public Comments

The DTAG will accept written public comments as well as oral public comments. Comments should be relevant to the topics for discussion. Public participation at the open meeting will be based on recognition by the chair and may not exceed 5 minutes per speaker. Written comments should be sent to the DTAG Executive Secretariat contact person no later than October 14, 2008 so that the comments may be made available to the DTAG members for consideration. Written comments should be supplied to the DTAG Executive Secretariat contact person at the mailing address or email provided above, in Adobe Acrobat or Word format. *Note:* The DTAG operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, and all public comments will be made available for public inspection, and might be posted on DDTC's website.

(d) Meeting Accommodations

Individuals requiring special accommodation to access the open meeting referenced above should contact Ms. Frantz at least five business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Dated: September 4, 2008.

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