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Dated: December 16, 1997.

**Barbara M. McGarey,**

*Deputy Director, Office of Technology Transfer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke; Notice of Meetings**

Pursuant to Pub. L. 92-463, notice is hereby given of meetings of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS).

The National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke Council and its subcommittee meetings will be open to the public as indicated below. Attendance by the public will be limited to space available.

The meetings will be closed to the public as indicated below in accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. and sec. 10(d) of Pub. L. 92-463, for the review, discussion and evaluation of individual grant applications.

These applications and discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Summaries of meetings, rosters of committee members, and other information pertaining to the meetings can be obtained from the Executive Secretary or the Scientific Review Administrator indicated. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact the Executive Secretary listed for the meeting.

*Name of Committee:* The Planning Subcommittee of the National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke Council.

*Date:* February 11, 1998.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Building 31, Conference Room 8A28, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Closed:* 1:30 p.m.—recess.

*Name of Committee:* National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke Council.

*Date:* February 12-13, 1998.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Building 31, Conference Room 6, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Open:* February 12, 8:30 a.m.—approximately 3:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* A report by the Acting Director, NINDS; a report by the Director, Division of Extramural Activities, NINDS; a report by the Scientific Director, NINDS; and a scientific presentation by a NINDS intramural scientist.

*Closed:* February 13, approximately 3:00 p.m.—recess; February 14, 8:30 a.m.—adjournment.

*Executive Secretary:* Constance W. Atwell, Ph.D., Director, Division of Extramural Activities, NINDS, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892, Telephone: (301) 496-9248.

The following meetings will be totally closed to review and evaluate grant applications:

*Name of Committee:* National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke Initial Review Group (Neurological Sciences and Disorders A).

*Date:* February 8-9, 1998.

*Time:* February 8, 8:30 a.m. to recess; February 9, 8:30 a.m. to adjournment.

*Place:* The Enclave Suites, 6165 Carrier Drive, Orlando, FL 32819.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Katherine Woodbury, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Branch, NINDS, National Institutes of

Health, Federal Building, Room 9C-10, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 496-9223.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke Initial Review Group (Neurological Sciences and Disorders B).

*Date:* February 18-20, 1998.

*Time:* February 18, 7:00 p.m.—recess; February 19, 8:00 a.m.—recess; February 20, 8:00 a.m. to adjournment.

*Place:* Crowne Plaza Hotel, 14th and K Streets, Washington, DC 20005.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Paul Sheehy, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Branch, NINDS, National Institutes of Health, Federal Building, Room 9C-10, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 496-9223.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke Training Grant and Career Development Review Committee.

*Date:* February 20, 1998.

*Time:* 8:00 a.m. to adjournment.

*Place:* Wyndham Bristol Hotel, 2430 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Alfred Gordon, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Branch, NINDS, National Institutes of Health, Federal Building, Room 9C-10, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 496-9223.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.853, Clinical Research Related to Neurological Disorders; No. 93.854, Biological Basis Research in the Neurosciences).

Dated: December 18, 1997.

**LaVerne Stringfield,**

*NIH Committee Management Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**Division of Research Grants; Notice of Closed Meetings**

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings that are being held to review grant applications:

| Study section/contact person                                   | February-March 1998 meetings | Time           | Location                           |
|--|------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>AIDS and Related Research Initial Review Group</b>          |                              |                |                                    |
| AIDS & Related Research 1, Dr. Sami Mayyasi, 301-435-1216.     | Mar. 4-5 .....               | 8:00 a.m. .... | Hilton Hotel, Palm Springs, CA.    |
| AIDS & Related Research 2, Dr. Gilbert Meier, 301-435-1219.    | Mar. 13 .....                | 8:00 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.      |
| AIDS & Related Research 3, Dr. Bruce Maurer, 301-435-1225.     | Mar. 4-5 .....               | 8:30 a.m. .... | Hilton Hotel, Palm Springs, CA.    |
| AIDS & Related Research 4, Dr. Mohindar Poonian, 301-435-1218. | Mar. 12-13 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Olympia Hotel, Park City, UT.      |
| AIDS & Related Research 5, Dr. Mohindar Poonian, 301-435-1218. | Mar. 3 .....                 | 8:30 a.m. .... | Hyatt Regency Hotel, Bethesda, MD. |

| Study section/contact person   | February–March 1998 meetings | Time           | Location  |
|--|------------------------------|----------------|---|
| AIDS & Related Research 6, Dr. Gilbert Meier, 301–435–1219.                  | Mar. 6 .....                 | 8:00 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| AIDS & Related Research 7, Dr. Gilbert Meier, 301–435–1219.                  | Mar. 20 .....                | 8:00 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| <b>Behavioral and Social Sciences Initial Review Group</b>                   |                              |                |   |
| Behavioral Medicine, Ms. Carol Campbell, 301–435–1257.                       | Feb. 25–26 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | St. James Hotel, Washington, DC.                            |
| Community Prevention & Control, Dr. Robert Weller, 301–435–1259.             | Feb. 26–27 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Hyatt Regency Hotel, Bethesda, MD.                          |
| Human Development & Aging–1, Dr. Anita Miller Sostek, 301–435–1260.          | Feb. 12–13 .....             | 9:00 a.m. .... | Embassy Suites Hotel, Chevy Chase Pavilion, Washington, DC. |
| Human Development & Aging–2, Dr. Michael Micklin, 301–435–1258.              | Feb. 23–24 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| Human Development & Aging–3, Dr. Anita Miller Sostek, 301–435–1260.          | Feb. 26–27 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Embassy Suites Hotel, Chevy Chase Pavilion, Washington, DC. |
| Social Sciences & Population, Dr. Robert Weller, 301–435–1259.               | Feb. 18–19 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Hyatt Regency Hotel, Bethesda, MD.                          |
| <b>Biochemical Sciences Initial Review Group</b>                             |                              |                |   |
| Biochemistry, Dr. Chhanda Ganguly, 301–435–1739.                             | Feb. 18–20 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Georgetown Holiday Inn, Washington, DC.                     |
| Medical Biochemistry, Dr. Alexander Liacouras, 301–435–1740.                 | Feb. 19–20 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Wyndham Bristol Hotel, Washington, DC.                      |
| Pathobiochemistry, Dr. Zakir Bengali, 301–435–1742.                          | Feb. 12–13 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Georgetown Holiday Inn, Washington, DC.                     |
| Physiological Chemistry, Dr. Richard Panniers, 301–435–1741.                 | Feb. 19–20 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Carlton Ritz, Arlington, VA.                                |
| <b>Biophysical and Chemical Sciences Initial Review Group</b>                |                              |                |   |
| Bio-Organic & Natural, Products Chemistry, Dr. Harold Radtke, 301–435–1728.  | Feb. 26–27 .....             | 9:00 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Silver Spring, MD.                             |
| Biophysical Chemistry, Dr. Donald Schneider, 301–435–1727.                   | Feb. 19–20 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Ramada Inn, Rockville, MD.                                  |
| Medicinal Chemistry, Dr. Ronald Dubois, 301–435–1722.                        | Feb. 18–20 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| Metallobiochemistry, Dr. John Bowers, 301–435–1725.                          | Feb. 19–20 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | St. James Hotel, Washington, DC.                            |
| Molecular & Cellular Biophysics, Dr. Nancy Lamontagne, 301–435–1726.         | Feb. 19–20 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| Physical Biochemistry, Dr. Gopa Rakhit, 301–435–1721.                        | Mar. 2–3 .....               | 8:30 a.m. .... | Double Tree Hotel, Rockville, MD.                           |
| <b>Cardiovascular Sciences Initial Review Group</b>                          |                              |                |   |
| Cardiovascular, Dr. Gordon Johnson, 301–435–1212.                            | Mar. 4–6 .....               | 8:00 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Silver Spring, MD.                             |
| Cardiovascular & Renal, Dr. Anthony Chung, 301–435–1213.                     | Mar. 2–3 .....               | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Silver Spring, MD.                             |
| Experimental Cardiovascular Sciences, Dr. Anshumali Chaudhari, 301–435–1210. | Feb. 23–24 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Double Tree Hotel, Rockville, MD.                           |
| Hematology-1, Dr. Clark Lum, 301–435–1195.                                   | Feb. 5–6 .....               | 8:00 a.m. .... | Ramada Hotel, Bethesda, MD.                                 |
| Hematology-2, Dr. Jerrold Fried, 301–435–1777.                               | Mar. 11–12 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Bethesda, MD.                                  |
| Pathology A, Dr. Larry Pinkus, 301–435–1214.                                 | Feb. 10–11 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | One Washington Circle Hotel, Washington, DC.                |
| Pharmacology, Dr. Jeanne Kettle, 301–435–1789.                               | Feb. 19–20 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | American Inn, Bethesda, MD.                                 |
| <b>Cell Development and Function Initial Review Group</b>                    |                              |                |   |
| Biological Sciences–2, Dr. Anthony Carter, 301–435–1024.                     | Mar. 9–10 .....              | 8:30 a.m. .... | Georgetown Holiday Inn, Washington, DC.                     |
| Cellular Biology and Physiology–1, Dr. Gerald Greenhouse, 301–435–1023.      | Feb. 4–5 .....               | 8:00 a.m. .... | Sheraton Reston Hotel, Reston, VA.                          |
| Cellular Biology and Physiology–2, Dr. Gerhard Ehrenspeck, 301–435–1022.     | Feb. 18–19 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Bethesda, MD.                                  |

| Study section/contact person   | February–March 1998 meetings | Time           | Location  |
|--|------------------------------|----------------|---|
| Human Embryology & Development–2, Dr. Sherry Dupere, 301–435–1021.   | Feb. 5–6 .....               | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| International & Cooperative Projects, Dr. G.B. Warren, 301–435–1019. | Feb. 26–27 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Embassy Suites Hotel, Chevy Chase Pavilion, Washington, DC. |
| Molecular Biology, Dr. Robert Su, 301–435–1025.                      | Feb. 12–13 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | The Georgetown Inn, Washington, DC.                         |
| Molecular Cytology, Dr. Ramesh Nayak, 301–435–1026.                  | Feb. 5–6 .....               | 8:00 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| <b>Endocrinology and Reproductive Sciences Initial Group</b>         |                              |                |   |
| Biochemical Endocrinology, Dr. Michael Knecht, 301–435–1046.         | Feb. 19–20 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Embassy Suites Hotel, Chevy Chase Pavilion, Washington, DC. |
| Endocrinology, Dr. Syed Amir, 301–435–1043.                          | Feb. 17–18 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Ramada Inn, Rockville, MD.                                  |
| Human Embryology & Development–1, Dr. Michael Knecht, 301–435–1046.  | Feb. 26–27 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Ramada Inn, Rockville, MD.                                  |
| Reproductive Biology, Dr. Dennis Leszczynski, 301–435–1044.          | Feb. 9–10 .....              | 8:30 a.m. .... | Hyatt Regency Hotel, Bethesda, MD.                          |
| Reproductive Endocrinology, Dr. Abubakar Shaikh, 301–435–1042.       | Feb. 23–24 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Woodfin Suites, Rockville, MD.                              |
| <b>Genetic Sciences Initial Review Group</b>                         |                              |                |   |
| Biological Sciences-1, Dr. Nancy Pearson, 301–435–1047.              | Mar. 4–6 .....               | 8:30 a.m. .... | St. James Hotel, Washington, DC.                            |
| Genetics, Dr. David Remondini, 301–435–1038.                         | Feb. 12–13 .....             | 9:00 a.m. .... | Georgetown Holiday Inn, Washington, DC.                     |
| Genome, Dr. Cheryl Corsaro, 301–435–1045.                            | Feb. 12–13 .....             | 9:00 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Bethesda, MD.                                  |
| Mammalian Genetics, Dr. Camilla Day, 301–435–1037.                   | Feb. 12–13 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Embassy Suites, Chevy Chase Pavilion, Washington, DC.       |
| <b>Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Initial Review Group</b>  |                              |                |   |
| Nursing Research, Dr. Gertrude McFarland, 301–435–1784.              | Mar. 2–3 .....               | 8:30 a.m. .... | DoubleTree Hotel, Rockville, MD.                            |
| <b>Immunological Sciences Initial Review Group</b>                   |                              |                |   |
| Allergy & Immunology, Dr. Gene Zimmerman, 301–435–1220.              | Feb. 26–27 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Bethesda, MD.                                  |
| Experimental Immunology, Dr. Calbert Laing, 301–435–1221.            | Feb. 12–13 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn Hotel, Chevy Chase, MD.                         |
| Immunobiology, Dr. Betty Hayden, 301–435–1223.                       | Feb. 19–20 .....             | 9:00 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| Immunological Sciences, Dr. Antia Corman Weinblatt, 301–435–1224.    | Feb. 25–27 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| <b>Infectious Diseases and Microbiology Initial Review Group</b>     |                              |                |   |
| Bacteriology & Mycology–1, Dr. Timothy Henry, 301–435–1147.          | Feb. 23–24 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn Hotel, Alexandria, VA.                          |
| Bacteriology & Mycology–2, Dr. William Branche, Jr., 301–435–1148.   | Feb. 19–20 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| Experimental Virology, Dr. Garrett Keefer, 301–435–1152.             | Feb. 23–24 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| Microbial Physiology & Genetics–1, Dr. Martin Slater, 301–435–1149.  | Feb. 25–27 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| Microbial Physiology & Genetics–2, Dr. Gerald Liddel, 301–435–1150.  | Feb. 19–20 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Embassy Suites Hotel, Chevy Chase Pavilion, Washington, DC. |
| Tropical Medicine & Parasitology, Dr. Jean Hickman, 301–435–1146.    | Feb. 19–20 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Bethesda, MD.                                  |
| Virology, Dr. Rita Anand, 301–435–1151.                              | Mar. 10–11 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Wyndham Bristol Hotel, Washington, DC.                      |
| <b>Musculoskeletal and Dental Sciences Initial Review Group</b>      |                              |                |   |
| General Medicine A–1, Dr. Harold Davidson, 301–435–1776.             | Feb. 2–3 .....               | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| General Medicine B, Dr. Shirley Hilden, 301–435–1198.                | Feb. 5–6 .....               | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |

| Study section/contact person  | February–March 1998 meetings | Time           | Location  |
|---|------------------------------|----------------|---|
| Oral Biology & Medicine–1, Dr. Priscilla Chen, 301–435–1787.          | Feb. 10–11 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn–Old Town, Alexandria, VA.                       |
| Oral Biology & Medicine–2, Dr. Priscilla Chen, 301–435–1787.          | Feb. 23–24 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn–Old Town, Alexandria, VA.                       |
| Orthopedics & Musculoskeletal, Dr. Daniel McDonald, 301–435–1215.     | Feb. 23–24 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| <b>Neurological Sciences Initial Review Group</b>                     |                              |                |   |
| Neurological Sciences–1, Dr. Carl Banner, 301–435–1251.               | Feb. 11–12 .....             | 8:30 p.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Bethesda MD.                                   |
| Neurological Sciences–2, Dr. Kathleen Michels, 301–435–1250.          | Feb. 24–26 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Holiday, Bethesda MD.                                       |
| Neurology B–1, Dr. Lawrence Stanford, 301–435–1255.                   | Feb. 25–26 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Governors House Hotel, Washington, DC.                      |
| Neurology C, Dr. Kenneth Newrock, 301–435–1252.                       | Feb. 25–26 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | The Hotel George, Washington, DC.                           |
| <b>Nutritional and Metabolic Sciences Initial Review Group</b>        |                              |                |   |
| General Medicine A–2, Dr. Mushtaq Khan, 301–435–1778.                 | Feb. 19–20 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Westin Hotel, Washington, DC.                               |
| Metabolism, Dr. Krish Krishnan, 301–435–1779.                         | Feb. 26–27 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Georgetown Holiday Inn, Washington, DC.                     |
| Nutrition, Dr. Sooja Kim, 301–435–1780.                               | Feb. 23–24 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Double Tree Hotel, Rockville, MD.                           |
| <b>Oncological Sciences Initial Review Group</b>                      |                              |                |   |
| Chemical Pathology, Dr. Edmund Copeland, 301–435–1715.                | Feb. 25–27 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| Experimental Therapeutics–1, Dr. Philip Perkins, 301–435–1718.        | Feb. 19–20 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Hyatt Hotel, Key Bridge, Arlington, VA.                     |
| Experimental Therapeutics–2, Dr. Marcia Litwack, 301–435–1719.        | Mar. 2–4 .....               | 8:30 a.m. .... | The Lodge at Torrey Pines, La Jolla, CA.                    |
| Metabolic Pathology, Dr. Marcelina Powers, 301–435–1720.              | Feb. 23–25 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Silver Spring, MD.                             |
| Pathology B, Dr. Martin Padarathsingh, 301–435–1717.                  | Mar. 2–4 .....               | 8:00 a.m. .... | The Lodge at Torrey Pines, La Jolla, CA.                    |
| Radiation, Dr. Paul Strudler, 301–435–1716.                           | Feb. 23–25 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Embassy Suites Hotel, Chevy Chase Pavilion, Washington, DC. |
| <b>Pathophysiological Sciences Initial Review Group</b>               |                              |                |   |
| Lung Biology & Pathology, Dr. Andrea Harabin, 301–435–1017.           | Feb. 25–26 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Hyatt Regency, Bethesda, MD.                                |
| Physiology, Dr. Michael Lang, 301–435–1015.                           | Mar. 5–6 .....               | 8:30 a.m. .... | Embassy Suites Hotel, Chevy Chase Pavilion, Washington, DC. |
| Respiratory & Applied, Physiology, Dr. Everett Sinnett, 301–435–1016. | Mar. 9–10 .....              | 8:30 a.m. .... | Holiday Inn, Chevy Chase, MD.                               |
| <b>Sensory Sciences Initial Review Group</b>                          |                              |                |   |
| Hearing Research, Dr. Joseph Kimm, 301–435–1249.                      | Mar. 2–3 .....               | 8:30 a.m. .... | Embassy Square Suites, Washington, DC.                      |
| Sensor Disorders & Language, Dr. Sam Rawlings, 301–435–1243.          | Feb. 11–13 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Capitol Holiday Inn, Washington, DC.                        |
| Visual Sciences A, Dr. Luigi Giacometti, 301–435–1246.                | Feb. 19–20 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Ramada Inn, Rockville, MD.                                  |
| Visual Sciences B, Dr. Leonard Jakubczak, 301–435–1247.               | Feb. 11–12 .....             | 8:30 a.m. .... | Radisson Barcelo Hotel, Washington, DC.                     |
| Visual Sciences C, Dr. Carole Jelsema, 301–435–1248.                  | Feb. 12–13 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Embassy Square Suites, Washington, DC.                      |
| <b>Surgery, Radiology and Bioengineering Initial Review Group</b>     |                              |                |   |
| Diagnostic Radiology, Dr. Eileen Bradley, 301–435–1178.               | Feb. 24–25 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Georgetown Holiday Inn, Washington, DC.                     |
| Surgery & Bioengineering, Dr. Lee Rosen, 301–435–1171.                | Feb. 23–24 .....             | 8:00 a.m. .... | Georgetown Holiday Inn, Washington, DC.                     |

| Study section/contact person                                       | February–March 1998 meetings | Time           | Location                                |
|--|------------------------------|----------------|---|
| Surgery, Anesthesiology & Trauma, Dr. Gerald Becker, 301-435-1750. | Feb. 18–19 .....             | 1:00 p.m. .... | Georgetown Holiday Inn, Washington, DC. |

The meetings will be closed in accordance with the Provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. Applications and/or proposals and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications and/or proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.306, 93.333, 93.337, 93.393–93.396, 93.837–93.844, 93.846–93.878, 93.892, 93.893 National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 19, 1997.

**LaVerne Y. Stringfield,**

*Committee Management Officer, NIH.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

### Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. FR–4278–D–02]

### Redelegation of Personnel Management Authority

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of redelegation of authority.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, the Secretary redelegates personnel management authority relating to HUD 2020 Management Reform.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 15, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Virginia Stephens, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410, (202) 708–0622. (This is not a toll-free number.) For hearing/speech-impaired individuals, this number may be accessed via TTY by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at 1–800–877–8399.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Secretary redelegates this authority in order to facilitate the selection of candidates for the approximately 1,400 merit staffing positions announced in connection with the HUD 2020 Management Reform Plan. Consistent with merit staffing principles and Union

agreements, standard personnel procedures will be followed in this process. In addition, no political appointee will serve as selecting official. All selections will be made by senior level career employees. To the greatest extent practical and feasible, rating and ranking panels will consist of representatives of multiple program offices with representatives from both Headquarters and the field. A representative from HUD Unions will observe the rating and ranking process.

Accordingly, the Secretary redelegates authority as follows:

### Section A. Authority Redelegated

The authority to make HUD 2020 merit staffing selections for candidates at grades GS–14 and GS–15 is redelegated to the following selecting officials for each of the Program and other offices identified below:

#### Office and Selecting Official

Office of Housing—Deputy Assistant Secretary for Operations

Office of Public and Indian Housing—General Deputy Assistant Secretary (Acting)

Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity—General Deputy Assistant Secretary

Office of Public Affairs—Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs/Managing Editor

Office of General Counsel—Deputy General Counsel for Operations

Office of Chief Financial Officer—Deputy CFO for Finance (Director, Accounting Center)

Enforcement Center—Director Assessment Center—Deputy General Counsel for Operations

Section 8, Financial Management Center—General Deputy Assistant Secretary, PIH (Acting)

Office of Community Planning and Development—Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic Development

Office of Field Management, Senior Community Builder positions—Deputy Assistant Secretary for Resource Management and Operations, Administration

Office of Field Management, non-Senior Community Builder positions—Career Deputy Assistant Secretary for: Housing, CPD, PIH, FHEO, and Administration

### Section B. No Authority To Further Redelegate

The authority redelegated in Section A., above, may not be further redelegated.

### Section C. Expiration of Redelegation

This redelegation of authority expires on June 30, 1998.

**Authority:** Section 7(d), Department of Housing and Urban Development Act, 42 U.S.C., Section 3535(d).

Dated: December 15, 1997.

**Andrew Cuomo,**

*Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

### 1998 Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (Federal Duck Stamp) Contest

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) announces the dates and locations of the 1998 Federal Duck Stamp Contest; the public is invited to attend.

**DATES:** 1. The 1998 contest opens for submission July 1, 1998.

2. Persons wishing to enter this year's contest may submit entries anytime after Wednesday, July 1, but all must be postmarked no later than midnight Tuesday, September 15, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Requests for complete copies of the regulations, reproduction rights and the display and participating agreements should be addressed to: Federal Stamp Contest, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, N.W., Suite 2058, Washington, D.C. 20240.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mrs. Lita F. Edwards, telephone: (202) 208–4354; or fax: (202) 208–6296.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Location of Contest: Department of the Interior Building, Auditorium ("C" Street entrance) 1849 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. The public may view the 1998 Federal Duck Stamp Contest