

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others

The Exchange neither solicited nor received written comments.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The foregoing proposed rule change, as amended: (1) Does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (2) does not impose any significant burden on competition; and (3) does not become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed. In addition, the Exchange provided the Commission with written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change at least five business days prior to the filing date. Therefore, it has become effective pursuant to section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act¹¹ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)¹² thereunder.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change, as amended, is consistent with the Act. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609. Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-Phlx-99-27 and should be submitted by November 5, 1999.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹³

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 3136]

Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition

Determinations: "The Arts of Korea: Ancient to Modern"

DEPARTMENT: United States Department of State.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (79 Stat. 985, 22 U.S.C. 2459), the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2681 *et seq.*), and Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999, I hereby determine that the objects to be included in the exhibit, "The Arts of Korea: Ancient to Modern" imported from abroad for the temporary exhibition without profit within the United States, are of cultural significance. These objects are imported pursuant to loan agreements with the foreign lenders. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, California, from on or about October 20, 1999 to on or about October 11, 2001, is in the national interest. Public Notice of these determinations is ordered to be published in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, including a list of exhibit objects, contact Paul W. Manning, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, 202/619-5997, and the address is Room 700, United States Department of State, 301 4th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20547-0001.

Dated: October 8, 1999.

Evelyn S. Lieberman,

Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs, United States Department of State.

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STATE DEPARTMENT

[Public Notice #3132]

Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC) Meeting Notice; Closed Meeting

The Department of State announces a meeting of the U.S. State Department—Overseas Security Advisory Council on November 2, 3, and 4, at the Department of State in Washington, DC. Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) and (4), it has been determined the meeting will be closed to the public. Matters relative to classified national security information as well as privileged commercial information will be discussed. The agenda calls for the discussion of classified and corporate proprietary/security information as well as private sector physical and procedural security policies and protective programs at sensitive U.S. Government and private sector locations overseas.

For more information contact Marsha Thurman, Overseas Security Advisory Council, Department of State, Washington, DC 20522-1003, phone: 202-663-0869.

Dated: September 23, 1999.

Wayne Rychak,

Acting Director of the Diplomatic Security Service, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Delegation of Authority No. 234]

Delegation of Authority

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Secretary of State, including section 1 of the Basic Authorities Act (22 U.S.C. 2651a); the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2681 *et seq.*); Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1977 dated October 11, 1977; and executive orders specified below, I hereby delegate the following functions that are or were vested in the Director of the United States Information Agency or in that Agency and are now or will be vested in me:

Section 1. Delegation of Functions

(a) To the Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs:

(1) International Educational and Cultural Exchange

The functions related to educational and cultural exchange, including functions provided for in: the Mutual

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹² 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

¹³ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, as amended (the Fulbright-Hays Act) (22 U.S.C. 2451 *et seq.*); sections 1, 2, and 5 of Executive Order 11034, June 24, 1962; section 7(a)(2) of Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1977; and sections 4 and 5 of Executive Order 12048, March 27, 1978.

(2) Dissemination of Information Abroad About the United States

The functions related to the dissemination of information abroad about the United States and related functions including those functions in the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948, as amended (the Smith-Mundt Act) (22 U.S.C. 1431 *et seq.*).

(3) Exchange Visitor Program

The functions in sections 101(a)(15)(J) and 212(j) of the Immigration and Naturalization Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(J) and 1182(j)), and section 641 of Public Law 104-208 (8 U.S.C. 1372(h)(2)(A)) (relating to designation of exchange visitor programs and related functions).

(4) North-South Center

The functions in the North South Center Act of 1991 (22 U.S.C. 2075) (relating to the operation of the Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange Between North and South).

(5) East-West Center

The functions in the Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange Act of 1960 (22 U.S.C. 2055) (relating to the operation of the Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange Between East and West).

(6) Cultural Property

The functions in Executive Order 12555 of March 10, 1986 delegating functions under the Convention on Cultural Property Implementation Act (19 U.S.C. 2601). Delegation of Authority 159 is hereby revoked.

(7) National Endowment for Democracy

The functions in the National Endowment for Democracy Act (22 U.S.C. 4412) (relating to the grant program with the National Endowment for Democracy).

(8) Broadcasting Board of Governors

Representation of the Secretary on the Broadcasting Board of Governors, including the authority to provide foreign policy guidance, pursuant to the United States International Broadcasting Act of 1994 (22 U.S.C. 6201 *et seq.*).

(9) Arts and Artifacts Indemnification

The functions in the Arts and Artifacts Indemnity Act (20 U.S.C. 971 *et seq.*) (relating to the certification of the national interest for exhibits to provide indemnification).

(10) Immunity from Judicial Seizure

The functions in Public Law 89-259 (79 Stat. 985) (22 U.S.C. 2459) (providing for immunity from judicial seizure for cultural objects imported into the U.S. for temporary exhibits).

(11) Board Memberships

Representation of the Secretary on:

(A) The Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts (20 U.S.C. 76h(a)).

(B) The Federal Council on the Arts and Humanities (20 U.S.C. 958).

(C) The President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities (Executive Order 12367, June 15, 1982) (one of two members appointed by the Secretary).

(D) United States Panel of the Joint Committee on United States-Japan Cultural and Educational Cooperation / Japan-United States Friendship Commission (22 U.S.C. 2901 *et seq.*) (one of two members appointed by the Secretary).

(12) Circular 175 Authority

Authority to negotiate, sign and terminate treaties and other international agreements and to authorize the negotiation, signature and termination of treaties and other international agreements by other United States Government officials.

(13) Other Functions

Other functions of the Director of the United States Information Agency or of that Agency and now vested in the Secretary which are not otherwise provided for in this delegation.

(b) To the Under Secretary for Management:

The functions related to recycling fees under section 810 of the Smith-Mundt Act, as amended (22 U.S.C. 1475e) and under Public Law 105-277, section 2412 (112 Stat. 2681-832).

(c) To the Assistant Secretary for Consular Affairs:

The functions related to waiver of the foreign residence requirement under the exchange visitor program pursuant to sections 212(e) and 214(l)(1)(A) of the Immigration and Naturalization Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(e) and 1184(l)(1)(A)).

Section 2. General Provisions

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this order, the Secretary of State or the Deputy Secretary of State may at any time exercise any function

or authority delegated or reserved by this delegation of authority.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of Section 1, the Under Secretary for Management shall exercise those functions related to the general management of the Department that are or were vested in the Director of USIA or the Agency and are now or will be vested in the Secretary.

(c) Functions delegated by this delegation of authority may be redelegated, to the extent consistent with law.

(d) Any reference in this delegation of authority to any act, order, determination, delegation of authority, regulation, or procedure shall be deemed to be a reference to such act, order, determination, delegation of authority, regulation, or procedure as amended from time to time.

(e) This delegation shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: October 1, 1999.

Madeleine K. Albright,

Secretary of State.

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**OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES
TRADE REPRESENTATIVE**

**United States-Israel Free Trade Area
Implementation Act; Designation of
Qualifying Industrial Zones**

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the United States-Israel Free Trade Area Implementation Act ("the 'IFTA Act'"), products of qualifying industrial zones encompassing portions of Israel and Jordan or Israel and Egypt are eligible to receive duty-free treatment. Effective upon publication of this notice, the United States Trade Representative, pursuant to authority delegated by the President, is designating the Al-Kerak Industrial Estate, the Ad-Dulayl Industrial Park, and the Al-Tajamouat Industrial City as qualifying industrial zones under the IFTA Act.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laura Lane, Director for the Middle East and Mediterranean, (202) 395-9569, Office of USTR, 600 17th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20508.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to authority granted under section 9 of the United States-Israel Free Trade Area Implementation Act of 1985, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2112 note), the President proclaimed certain tariff