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Michael Somerville,

State Conservationist.

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ASSASSINATION RECORDS REVIEW BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE: June 9-10, 1997.

PLACE: ARRB, 600 E Street, NW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Review and Accept Minutes of Closed Meeting.
2. Review of Assassination Records.
3. Other Business.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:
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Public Affairs Officer, 600 E Street, NW., Second Floor, Washington, DC 20530. Telephone: (202) 724-0088; Fax: (202) 724-0457.

David G. Marwell,

Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Notice of Petitions by Producing Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration (EDA).

ACTION: To give firms an opportunity to comment.

Petitions have been accepted for filing on the dates indicated from the firms listed below:

The petitions were submitted pursuant to Section 251 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2341). Consequently, the United States Department of

Commerce has initiated separate investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each firm contributed importantly to total or partial separation of the firm's workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

Any party having a substantial interest in the proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A request for a hearing must be received by Trade Adjustment Assistance, Room 7315, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230, no later than the close of business of the tenth calendar day following the publication of this notice.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official program number and title of the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance.

Dated: May 19, 1997.

Anthony J. Meyer,

Coordinator, Trade Adjustment and Technical Assistance.

LIST OF PETITION ACTION BY TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE FOR PERIOD 04/14/97-05/16/97

Firm name	Address	Date petition accepted	Product
Gemini Manufacturing, Inc.	P.O. Box 595, Highway 67 N., Walnut Ridge, AR 72476.	05/02/97	Golf bags and custom embroidery/screen printing.
Pennwell Printing Company	1421 South Sheridan, Tulsa, OK 74122.	05/02/97	Printing periodicals.
Diamond Fruit Growers, Inc.	P.O. Box 180, Hood River, OR 97031.	05/13/97	Pears, apples and cherries.
Kraemer Findings, Inc.	25 Calhoun Avenue, Providence, RI 02907.	05/14/97	Jewelry findings.
Starlite Originals, Inc.	2665-D Park Drive Simi Valley, CA 93605.	5/14/97	Statues and sculptures of metal.
Cameo Sportswear, Inc.	366A Eastern Avenue, Malden, MA 02148.	05/15/97	Women's skirts, slacks and shorts.
TWA Mold Company	90 Canal Street, Rochester, NY 14608.	05/15/97	Custom plastic molded components used in alarm and detection systems.
Duckwall-Pooley Fruit Company	P.O. Box 150, Odell, OR 97044	05/15/97	Pears and apples.
Dun-More Designs, Inc.	300 Bedford Street, Manchester, NH 03101.	05/15/97	Baseball caps.
Miller Sports, Inc.	5790 East Shelby Drive, Memphis, TN 38141.	05/16/97	Golf bags.
Precision Elastomers, Inc.	19 Hayward Street, Ipswich, MA 01938.	05/16/97	Custom molded elastomers, rubber components & roller assemblies for semi-conductors, printers, etc.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[Docket No. 970424097-7097-01]

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Market Development Cooperator Program

AGENCY: International Trade Administration (ITA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: ITA promotes U.S. exports and works to improve the global competitiveness of the United States, creating jobs for Americans. ITA has created the Market Development Cooperator Program (MDCP) to build public/private partnerships by matching small amounts of public funds with private funds to launch solid, market-opening initiatives designed by the private sector. The MDCP aims to:

- Challenge the private sector to think strategically about foreign markets;
- Be the catalyst that spurs private sector innovation and investment in export marketing; and
- Increase the number of American companies, particularly small- and medium-size businesses, taking decisive export actions.

The advantage of a joint effort is that it permits the Government to pool expertise and funds with non-federal sources so that each maximizes its market development resources. Partnerships of this sort also may provide a sharper focus on long-term export market development than do traditional trade promotion activities and serve as a mechanism for improving government-industry relations.

While the Department of Commerce sponsors, guides and partially funds the MDCP with a matching requirement by the recipient, the Department of Commerce expects applicants to develop, initiate and carry out market development project activities. As an active partner, ITA will, as appropriate, provide assistance identified by the applicant as being essential to the achievement of project goals and objectives. U.S. industry is best able to assess its problems and needs in the foreign marketplace and to recommend innovative solutions and programs that can be the formula to success in international trade.

Examples of activities that might be included in an applicant's project proposal are described below. No one of

these activities or any combination of these activities must be included for a proposal to receive favorable consideration. The Department of Commerce encourages applicants to propose activities that (1) Would be most appropriate to the market development needs of their industry or industries; and (2) display the imagination and innovation of the applicant working in partnership with the government to obtain the maximum market development impact.

A public meeting for parties considering applying for funding under the MDCP will be held on June 23, 1997. Attendance at this public meeting is not required of potential applicants. The purpose of the meeting is to provide general information to potential applicants regarding MDCP procedures, selection process, and proposal preparation. No discussion of specific proposals will occur at this meeting.

DATES: The public meeting will be held June 23, 1997. Completed applications must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time July 28, 1997. Application kits will be available from the Department of Commerce starting June 2, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at the Herbert Clark Hoover Building, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. Contact the information contact for room location.

To obtain an application kit, please send a written request with a self-addressed mailing label to Mr. Greg O'Connor, Manager, Market Development Cooperator Program, Trade Development/OPCRM, Room 3221, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230. Application kits may also be picked up in Room 3209, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230. The application kit contains all forms necessary to participate in the MDCP application process.

Please send completed applications to the Office of Planning, Coordination and Resource Management, Trade Development, Room 3221, 14th & Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Greg O'Connor, Manager, Market Development Cooperator Program, Trade Development, Room 3209, Washington, D.C. 20230, (202) 482-3197.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: The Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988, Public Law No. 100-418, Title II, sec. 2303, 102 Stat. 1342, 15 U.S.C. 4723.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA): No. 11.112, Market Development Cooperator Program.

Program Description: The goal of the MDCP identified in authorizing legislation is to develop, maintain, and expand foreign markets for nonagricultural goods and services produced in the United States. For purposes of this program, "nonagricultural goods and services" means goods and services other than agricultural products as defined in 7 U.S.C. 451. "Produced in the United States" means having substantial inputs of materials and labor originating in the United States, such inputs constituting at least 50 percent of the value of the good or service to be exported. The intended beneficiaries of the program are U.S. producers of nonagricultural goods or services that seek to export such goods or services.

MDCP funds should not be viewed as a replacement for funding from other sources, either public or private. An important aspect of this program is to increase the sum of federal and non-federal export market development activities. This result can best be achieved by using program funds to encourage new initiatives.

In addition to new initiatives, expansion of the scope of an existing project also may qualify for funding consideration. Eligible organizations that have previously received an MDCP award must propose a new project or expansion of an existing project to receive consideration for a new award.

The Department of Commerce encourages applicants to propose activities that would be most appropriate to the market development needs of their U.S. industry or industries. The following are examples of activities which applicants might include in an application (no one of these activities or any combination of these activities must be included for an application to receive favorable consideration). Many of these activities are being undertaken by current MDCP award winners:

(1) Opening an overseas office or offices to perform a variety of market development services for companies joining a consortium to avail themselves of such services; such an office should not duplicate the programs or services of the U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service (US&FCS) post(s) in the region,