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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Defense Finance and Accounting Service, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service announces the proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by October 28, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the Defense Finance and Accounting Service—Denver Center, ATTN: Ruth Roehrman, 6760 East Irvington Place, Denver CO 80279-3000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address, or call Ms. Ruth Roehrman, 303-676-7613.

*Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number:* Dependency Statement—Full Time Student 21-22 Years of Age (DFAS-DE Form 1867).

*Needs and Uses:* A military member may claim a student ages 21-22 for monetary allowances depending upon the relationship. Pursuant to 37 U.S.C. 401, 403, and 406, the member must

provide at least one-half of the claimed child's monthly expenses. DoDFMR 7000.14, Volume 7A defines the definition of dependent and directs that dependency be proved. This form may be prepared by the military member him/herself or may be prepared by another individual who may be a member of the public.

*Affected Public:* Individuals.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 200 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 100.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 1 (new form may be required if circumstances change).

*Average Burden Per Response:* 1.25 hours.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Summary of Information Collection

When military members apply for benefits, they must complete Defense Finance and Accounting Service, Denver Form 1867 (DFAS-DE Form 1867). While members normally complete these forms, they can also be completed by others considered members of the public. Dependency claim examiners use the information from these forms to determine the degree of benefits. Without this collection of information, proof of an entitlement to a benefit would not exist. This collection also decreases the possibility of monetary allowances being approved on behalf of ineligible dependents. The requirement to complete this form helps alleviate the opportunity for fraud, waste, and abuse of dependent benefits.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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**ACTION:** Notice.

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*Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number:* Dependency Statement—Parent (DFAS-DE Form 1868).

*Needs and Uses:* A military member may claim a parent, parent-in-law, stepparent, in-loco-parentis, or parent by adoption for monetary allowances and/or a Uniformed Services Identification and Privilege (USIP) card depending upon the relationship. Pursuant to 37 U.S.C. 401, 403, 406, and 10 U.S.C. 1072 and 1076, the member must provide at least one-half of the claimed parent's monthly expenses. DoDFMR 7000.14, Volume 7A defines the definition of dependent and directs that dependency be proved. This form may be prepared by the military member him/herself or may be prepared by another individual who may be a member of the public.

*Affected Public:* Individuals.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 6,000 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 3,000.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 1 (new form may be required if circumstances change).

*Average Burden Per Response:* 1.25 hours.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Summary of Information Collection

When military members apply for benefits, they must complete Defense Finance and Accounting Service, Denver Form 1868 (DFAS-DE Form 1868). While members normally complete these forms, they can also be

completed by others considered members of the public. Dependency claim examiners use the information from these forms to determine the degree of benefits. Without this collection of information, proof of an entitlement to a benefit would not exist. This collection also decreases the possibility of monetary allowances being approved on behalf of ineligible dependents. The requirement to complete this form helps alleviate the opportunity for fraud, waste, and abuse of dependent benefits.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Defense Science Board Task Force on Open Systems

**ACTION:** Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Defense Science Board Task Force on Open Systems will meet in open session on September 16-17, and November 18-19, 1997 at Strategic Analysis, Inc., 4001 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia.

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

Persons interested in further information should call Ms. Marya Bavis at (703) 527-5410.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Cooperative Research and Development Agreement for Proximity Sensor Technology

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the United States Army Tank-automotive and Armaments Command,

Armament Research, Development and Engineering Center (TACOM-ARDEC) has entered into a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) with KDI Precision Products, Inc. to explore the feasibility of adapting Army proximity sensor technology for potential use in proximity sensor applications for other military munition items and non-military applications. The goal of this collaborative effort is to provide a variety of proximity sensor users (e.g. military munitions, intelligent highway collision-avoidance sensors, proximity sensors used in machine control and robotics applications) with a low cost and reliable proximity sensor alternative to current technology. Any others wishing to pursue the possibility of a CRADA for similar activities should contact TACOM-ARDEC at the address below.

**ADDRESSES:** U.S. Army TACOM-ARDEC, ATTN: AMSTA-AR-ASC Picatinny Arsenal, N.J. 07806-5000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Tim Ryan, General Engineer, telephone, (201) 724-7953 or fax, (201) 724-2934.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** None.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Availability of U.S. Patents for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially Exclusive Licensing

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Research Laboratory, DOD.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6, announcement is made the availability of the following U.S. patents for non-exclusive, exclusive, or partially-exclusive licensing. All of the listed patents have been assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Secretary of the Army, Washington, D.C.

These patents cover a wide variety of technical arts including: A Device and Method for Estimating a Mental Decision; and A Sabot for a High Dispersion Shot Shell.

Under the authority of Section 11(a)(2) of the Federal Technology Transfer Act of 1986 (Pub. L. 99-502) and Section 207 of Title 35, United States Code, the Department of the Army as represented by the U.S. Army Research Laboratory wish to license the

U.S. patents listed below in a non-exclusive, exclusive or partially exclusive manner to any party interested in manufacturing, using, and/or selling devices or processes covered by these patents.

**Title:** Device and Method for Estimating a Mental Decision.

**Inventor:** Christopher C. Smyth.

**Patent Number:** 5,649,061.

**Issue Date:** July 15, 1997.

**Title:** Sabot for High-Dispersion Shot Shell.

**Inventor:** Lawrence J. Puckett and Robert P. Kaste.

**Patent Number:** 5,644,100.

**Issue Date:** July 1, 1997.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mr. Mike Rausa, Technology Transfer Office, AMSRL-CS-TT, U.S. Army Research Laboratory, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, tel: (410) 278-5028; fax: (410) 278-5820; e-mail: *nvaught@arl.mil*

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** None.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Corps of Engineers

#### Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Tres Rios Feasibility Study, Maricopa County, Arizona

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent.

**SUMMARY:** The Los Angeles District intends to prepare an EIS to support the proposed Federal action associated with a feasibility study along the Salt River between 83rd Avenue and the confluence of the Agua Fria River in Maricopa County, Arizona. The purpose of the study is to examine water resources opportunities in the study area including ecosystem restoration, flood control, water quality, water supply and recreation. The proposed project alternatives would address these specific areas of concern, as well as a no action alternative. The EIS will analyze potential impacts on the environment of a range of alternatives, including the recommended plan.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mr. Mike Ternak or Mr. John Drake, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Attn: CESPL-PD-WC, 3636 N.