

Office of the Director (NC41, formerly HNC41). (1) Plans, develops, directs, and coordinates the Institute's research activities related to prevention in community clinical oncology centers, conducted through independent and cooperative studies and programs with cancer centers, universities, state and other health agencies private industry and other Federal agencies; (2) develops and maintains liaison with public health groups and agencies, cancer centers, public and professional educational organizations, labor organizations, trade and professional associations, voluntary health organizations, and regulatory agencies in order to facilitate communication, information exchange, and cooperation; (3) collaborates with other Divisions, Offices, Institutes, and/or national and international research organizations in projects and activities related to cancer prevention; and (4) disseminates relevant prevention, early detection, psychosocial, and rehabilitation information to the lay and professional communities.

(3) The title and functional statement for the Division of Cancer Treatment, Diagnosis and Centers (NCB, formerly HNCB) are replaced with the following:

Division of Cancer Treatment and Diagnosis (HNCB). (1) Plans, directs and coordinates a program of extramural preclinical and clinical cancer treatment research as well as research conducted in cooperation with other Federal agencies with the objective of curing or controlling cancer in man by utilizing treatment modalities singly or in combination; (2) administers targeted research and development programs in the areas of drug development, diagnosis, biological response modifiers and radiotherapy development; and (3) serves as the national focal point for information and data on experimental and clinical studies related to cancer treatment and for the distribution of such information to appropriate scientists and physicians.

(4) In the Office of the Director (NC1, formerly HNC1) the following are inserted:

Office of Centers, Training and Resources (NC18, formerly HNC18). (1) Plans, directs, coordinates, evaluates and supports extramural grant programs that relate to the broad scientific objectives of each extramural Division and that are designed to develop and enhance cancer research in academic and research institutions; (2) through the extramural funding of specialized and/or broad multidisciplinary centers devoted to the basic, clinical and populations sciences, advances the knowledge and understanding of the

causes, mechanisms, diagnosis and treatment of cancer and promotes transitional research or the movement of discoveries in the laboratory into patient and population research settings; (3) assists extramural research efforts through support of the improvement, renovation, and construction of research facilities; (4) provides training opportunities for health professionals in order to create a national cadre of highly skilled individuals capable of transferring research discoveries to applications in cancer diagnosis, treatment, and prevention; and (5) establishes program priorities, allocates resources, integrates the projects of various branches, evaluates program effectiveness relative to the goals and objectives of the Institute, and represents the program area in management and scientific decision-making meetings within the Institute.

Office of Special Populations Research (NC19, formerly HNC19). (1) Provides leadership, coordination, and advice to the Director, NCI, on research related to minorities and special populations; (2) serves as the Institute's focal point for programs addressing scientific questions pertinent to minority and ethnic populations as well as the elderly and medically underserved; (3) provides advice and assistance to the Institute Director, Division Directors, and other senior staff concerning the development, conduct and research focus of programs pertaining to or affecting special populations; (4) collaborates and consults, as necessary, with appropriate Institute, NIH, and other Federal and non-federal agencies and organizations interested or engaged in research on special populations; and (5) develops concepts for new programs that would be implemented by the scientific divisions of the Institute.

Dated: September 30, 1997.

Harold Varmus,

Director, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4235-N-24]

Federal Property Suitable as Facilities To Assist the Homeless

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This Notice identifies unutilized, underutilized, excess, and surplus Federal property reviewed by HUD for suitability for possible use to assist the homeless.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 10, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mark Johnston, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 7256, 451 Seventh Street SW, Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 708-1226; TDD number for the hearing- and speech-impaired (202) 708-2565, (these telephone numbers are not toll-free), or call the toll-free Title V information line at 1-800-927-7588.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the December 12, 1988 court order in *National Coalition for the Homeless v. Veterans Administration*, No. 88-2503-OG (D.D.C.), HUD publishes a Notice, on a weekly basis, identifying unutilized, underutilized, excess and surplus Federal buildings and real property that HUD has reviewed for suitability for use to assist the homeless. Today's Notice is for the purpose of announcing that no additional properties have been determined suitable or unsuitable this week.

Dated: October 2, 1997.

Fred Karnas, Jr.,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*):

Applicant: Golden Studio Animals, Inc, Sarasota, FL, PRT-834534.

The applicant requests a permit to export and re-import a captive-born Bengal tiger (*Panthera tigris tigris*) and progeny of the animals currently held by the applicant and any animals acquired in the United States by the applicant to/from worldwide locations to enhance the survival of the species through conservation education. This notification covers activities by the applicant over a three year period.

Applicant: John Ariel Bradshaw, Ogden, UT, PRT-835151.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus dorcas*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: St. Louis Zoological Park, St. Louis, MO, PRT-834539.

The applicant requests a permit to import biological samples from wild and captive born Black and white lemur (*Varecia variegata variegata*) from Reserve Naturelle Integrale No. 1, Parc Zoologique de Ivoloïna, and Parc Botanique et Zoologique de Tsimbazaza in Madagascar for the purpose of enhancement through scientific research.

Applicant: Cleveland Metroparks Zoo, Cleveland, OH, PRT-834809.

The applicant requests a permit to import one female Clouded leopard (*Neofelis nebulosa*) from Belfast Zoo, Northern Ireland for the purpose of enhancement of the species through captive propagation and conservation education.

Applicant: Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo, Omaha, Nebraska, PRT-835175.

The applicant requests a permit to import one female Siberian tiger (*Panthera tigris altaica*) from Emmen Zoo, The Netherlands for the purpose of enhancement of the species through captive propagation.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 430, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication.

The public is invited to comment on the following application for permits to conduct certain activities with marine mammals. The application was submitted to satisfy requirements of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing marine mammals (50 CFR 18).

Applicant: Arrowhead Bluffs Museum, Wabash, MN, PRT-826912.

Permit Type: Public Display.

Name and Number of Animals: polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*), 1.

Summary of Activity to be Authorized: The applicant has requested a permit to import a polar bear hide and skull sport-hunted in Canada and donated to the facility for the purpose of public display at the Arrowhead Bluffs Museum.

Source of Marine Mammals: sport-hunted in Canada by an affiliate of the Arrowhead Bluffs Museum.

Period of Activity: Up to five years from issuance date of the permit, if issued.

Applicant: University of Alaska Museum, Fairbanks, AK, PRT-832903.

Type of Permit: Import for Scientific Research.

Name and Number of Animals: Walrus (*Odobenus rosmarus*), polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*), and sea otter (*Enhydra lutris*); up to a total of 200 samples per year.

Summary of Activity to be Authorized: The applicant has requested a permit for the import of legally collected samples of walrus, polar bear and sea otter from Canada and Russia for scientific research purposes including exchange of material with other researchers. Specimens are to be acquired by salvage from subsistence hunting and beach-cast carcasses as well as acquired from agents of the foreign governments who are conducting authorized research on these species. The applicant is also seeking authorization for re-import of specimens of these species legally collected in the United States, accessioned in the Muesum, and exported to foreign researchers for scientific purposes.

Source of Marine Mammals: salvage and authorized research as described above.

Period of Activity: Up to five years from issuance date of the permit, if issued.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Office of Management Authority is forwarding copies of the applications listed above to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

Applicant: Frederick Studler, Jr., Conestoga, PA, PRT-834952.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the McClintock Channel polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Applicant: Gregory Wambold, Poway, CA, PRT-834978.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted prior to April 30, 1994, from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Applicant: Randy Deeter, Anchorage, AK, PRT-834963.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted prior to April 30, 1994,

from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Applicant: Lawrence Carlson, Ham Lake, MN, PRT-832105.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the McClintock Channel polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Written data or comments, requests for copies of any of these complete applications, or requests for a public hearing on this application should be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 430, Arlington, Virginia 22203, telephone 703/358-2104 or fax 703/358-2281 and must be received within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice. Anyone requesting a hearing should give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Director.

Documents and other information submitted with the application are available for review, *subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act*, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the above address within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: October 6, 1997.

MaryEllen Amtower,

Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Proposed Policy on Giant Panda Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service gives notice that the comment period on the proposed policy for issuance of permits for import of giant panda will be reopened for 30 days to obtain further comments.

DATES: Public comments received on or before November 10, 1997 will be considered by the Service.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted to the Chief of the Office of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax