

(USTR), the Commission instituted investigation No. 332-387, under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332 (g)), to advise the President, with respect to each dutiable article listed in Annex I of the USTR's notice published in the **Federal Register** of October 21, 1997 (62 FR 54671), of its judgment as to the probable economic effect of the immediate elimination of the U.S. tariff under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) on domestic industries producing like or directly competitive articles and on consumers. Annex I is available from the USTR Internet home page at <http://www.ustr.gov> and from the Commission Internet home page at <http://www.usitc.gov>.

The USTR asked that the Commission provide its advice not later than 120 days following the Commission's receipt of the request, or by February 17, 1998, and has indicated that it may classify all or part of the Commission's report as Confidential.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

General information may be obtained from the project leader, Carl Seastrum (202-205-3493), Minerals, Metals, Machinery, and Miscellaneous Manufactures Division, Office of Industries, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC 20436. For information on the legal aspects of this investigation contact William Gearhart of the Office of the General Counsel (202-205-3091). The media should contact Margaret O'Laughlin, Office of External Relations (202-205-1819). Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810. For information on a product basis, contact the appropriate member of the Commission's Office of Industries as follows:

- Agriculture and Forest Products Division, Stacey Linn (202-205-3317).
- Energy, Chemicals, and Textiles Division, Elizabeth Howlett (202-205-3365).
- Minerals, Metals, Machinery, and Miscellaneous Manufactures Division, Josephine Spalding (202-205-3498).
- Services, Electronics, and Transportation Division, Heidi Colby (202-205-3391).

**Background:** As stated by the USTR in a letter dated October 20, 1997, the Governments of the United States, Mexico, and Canada have agreed to enter into consultations to consider the acceleration of the elimination of the import duty on certain articles. The USTR further stated that the President is authorized by section 201(b) of the

North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act, subject to the consultation and lay-over requirements of section 103(a) of the Act, to proclaim any accelerated schedule for duty elimination that may be agreed to by the United States, Mexico, and Canada under Article 302(3) of the NAFTA. Section 103(a) requires that the President obtain advice regarding the proposed action from the United States International Trade Commission. The accelerated elimination of tariffs in this second round of negotiations between the United States and Mexico will be pursued on a reciprocal basis in response to petitions submitted to the Governments of Canada, Mexico, and the United States. The USTR included with its request a list of products to be considered for immediate reciprocal elimination of tariffs.

**Public Hearing:** A public hearing in connection with the investigation will be held at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC, beginning at 9:30 a.m. on January 7, 1998, and continuing on January 8 if an additional day is needed. All persons will have the right to appear, by counsel or in person, to present information and to be heard. Requests to appear at the public hearing should be filed with the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, not later than 5:15 p.m., December 11, 1997. Any prehearing briefs (original and 14 copies) should be filed not later than 5:15 p.m., December 12, 1997; the deadline for filing post-hearing briefs or statements is 5:15 p.m., January 14, 1998.

In the event that, as of the close of business on December 16, 1997, no witnesses are scheduled to appear at the hearing, the hearing will be canceled. Any person interested in attending the hearing as an observer or non-participant may call the Secretary to the Commission (202-205-1816) after December 16, to determine whether the hearing will be held.

**Written Submissions:** In lieu of or in addition to participating in the hearing, interested parties are invited to submit written statements concerning the matters to be addressed by the Commission in its report on this investigation. Commercial or financial information that a submitter desires the Commission to treat as confidential must be submitted on separate sheets of paper, each clearly marked "Confidential Business Information" at the top. All submissions requesting confidential treatment must conform with the requirements of section 201.6

of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.6). All written submissions, except for confidential business information, will be made available in the Office of the Secretary to the Commission for inspection by the public. To be assured of consideration by the Commission, written statements relating to the Commission's report should be submitted at the earliest practical date and should be received no later than the close of business on January 14, 1998. All submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436.

Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>).

Issued: October 31, 1997.

By order of the Commission.

**Donna R. Koehnke,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Federal Bureau of Investigation

#### DNA Advisory Board Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that the DNA Advisory Board (DAB) will meet on December 6, 1997, from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at The University of Chicago Conference Center, 450 North Cityfront Plaza Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60611. All attendees will be admitted only after displaying personal identification which bears a photograph of the attendee.

The DAB's scope of authority is: To develop, and if appropriate, periodically revise, recommended standards for quality assurance to the Director of the FBI, including standards for testing the proficiency of forensic laboratories, and forensic analysts, in conducting analysis of DNA; To recommend standards to the Director of the FBI which specify criteria for quality assurance and proficiency tests to be applied to the various types of DNA analysis used by forensic laboratories, including statistical and population genetics issues affecting the evaluation of the frequency of occurrence of DNA profiles calculated from pertinent population database(s); To recommend standards

for acceptance of DNA profiles in the FBI's Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) which take account of relevant privacy, law enforcement and technical issues; and, To make recommendations for a system for grading proficiency testing performance to determine whether a laboratory is performing acceptably.

The topics to be discussed at this meeting include: a review of minutes from the September 23, 1997, meeting; discussion of comments on the Quality Assurance Standards for DNA Testing Laboratories, as approved at the February 22, 1997 meeting; and a discussion of topics for the next DNA Advisory Board meeting.

The meeting is open to the public on a first-come, first seated basis. Anyone wishing to address the DAB must notify the Designated Federal Employee (DFE) in writing at least twenty-four hours before the DAB meets. The notification must include the requestor's name, organizational affiliation, a short statement describing the topic to be addressed, and the amount of time requested. Oral statements to the DAB will be limited to five minutes and limited to subject matter directly related to the DAB's agenda, unless otherwise permitted by the Chairman.

Any member of the public may file a written statement for the record concerning the DAB and its work before or after the meeting. Written statements for the record will be furnished to each DAB member for their consideration and will be included in the official minutes of a DAB meeting. Written statements must be type-written on 8½" × 11" xerographic weight paper, one side only, and bound only by a paper clip (not stapled). All pages must be numbered. Statements should include the Name, Organizational Affiliation, Address, and Telephone number of the author(s). Written statements for the record will be included in minutes of the meeting immediately following the receipt of the written statement, unless the statement is received within three weeks of the meeting. Under this circumstance, the written statement will be included with the minutes of the following meeting. Written statements for the record should be submitted to the DFE.

Inquiries may be addressed to the DFE, Dr. Dwight E. Adams, Chief, Scientific Analysis Section, Laboratory Division—Room 3266, Federal Bureau of Investigation, 935 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20535-0001, (202) 324-4416, FAX (202) 324-1462.

Dated: November 3, 1997.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Submission for OMB Emergency Review; Comment Request

Date: November 3, 1997.

The Department of Labor has submitted the Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC) and Welfare-to-Work (W-to-W) Tax Credit Addendum to the first edition of ETA Handbook No. 408, July 1997, administrative forms and information collection request (ICR), utilizing emergency review procedures, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (P.L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). OMB approval has been requested by November 10, 1997. A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor Departmental Clearance Officer, Theresa O'Malley ((202) 219-5096 x 166).

Comments and questions about the WOTC/W-to-W ICR should be forwarded to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Employment and Training Administration, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, D.C. 20503 ((202) 395-7316).

The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, and including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarification of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other

technological, e.g., permitting submissions of responses.

*Agency:* Employment and Training Administration.

*Title:* Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC) and Welfare-to-Work Tax Credit.

*OMB Number:* 1205-0371.

*Agency Number:* ETA 9057-59; 9061-9063 and 9065.

*Number of Respondents:* 52.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 20 minutes.

*Total Burden Hours:* 2,600.

*Frequency:* Quarterly.

*Affected Public:* State, Local or Tribal Government.

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* 0.

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining):* 0.

*Description:* The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) has oversight responsibilities for the Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC) under the Small Business Jobs Protection Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-188) and the Welfare-to-Work Tax Credit under the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 (P.L. 105-34). Data collected on the WOTC and the W-to-W will be collected by the State Employment Security Agencies and provided to the U.S. Employment Service, Division of Planning and Operations, Washington, DC, through the appropriate Department of Labor regional office. The data will be use, primarily, to supplement IRS Form 8850, help expedite the processing of, either, employer requests for Certifications generated through IRS Form 8850 or issuance of Conditional Certifications (CCs) and processing of employer requests for Certifications as a result of individuals' bearing SESAs or participating agencies' generated CCs, help streamline SESAs verification mandated activities, aid and expedite the preparation of the quarterly reports, and provide a significant source of information for the Secretary's Annual Report to Congress on the WOTC program and the W-to-W Tax Credit. The data recorded through the use of these forms will also help in the preparation of an annual report to the Committee House Ways and Means of the U.S. House of Representatives.

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