2000, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building. Oral testimony and written materials to be submitted at the public hearing are governed by sections 201.6(b)(2), 201.13(f), and 207.24 of the Commission's rules. Parties must submit any request to present a portion of their hearing testimony *in camera* no later than 7 days prior to the date of the hearing.

Written Submissions

Each party who is an interested party shall submit a prehearing brief to the Commission. Prehearing briefs must conform with the provisions of section 207.23 of the Commission's rules; the deadline for filing is March 21, 2000. Parties may also file written testimony in connection with their presentation at the hearing, as provided in section 207.24 of the Commission's rules, and posthearing briefs, which must conform with the provisions of section 207.25 of the Commission's rules. The deadline for filing posthearing briefs is April 4, 2000; witness testimony must be filed no later than three days before the hearing. In addition, any person who has not entered an appearance as a party to the investigations may submit a written statement of information pertinent to the subject of the investigations on or before April 4, 2000. On April 20, 2000, the Commission will make available to parties all information on which they have not had an opportunity to comment. Parties may submit final comments on this information on or before April 24, 2000, but such final comments must not contain new factual information and must otherwise comply with section 207.30 of the Commission's rules. All written submissions must conform with the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission's rules; any submissions that contain BPI must also conform with the requirements of sections 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing of submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means.

In accordance with sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the Commission's rules, each document filed by a party to the investigations must be served on all other parties to the investigations (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

Authority: These investigations are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.21 of the Commission's rules.

Issued: November 17, 1999. By order of the Commission.

Donna R. Koehnke.

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice Required by the Y2K Act To Establish a Small Business Liaison

AGENCY: Department of Justice.

ACTION: Notice.

summary: Pursuant to section 18(b) of the Y2K Act, Public Law 106–37, 106 Stat. 185 (1999), to be published at 15 U.S.C. 6617, the Department of Justice designates Joseph K. Bryan, Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU), as the point of contact between the Department and small businesses which qualify as small business concerns under the Act, with respect to problems arising out of Y2K failures and resulting violations of Federal rules or regulations. Mr. Bryan can be reached on (202) 616–0521 or 1–800–345–3712.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 1999 through December 31, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph K. Bryan, Director, OSDBU, Department of Justice, 1331 Pennsylvania Ave, NW, Suite 1010, Washington, D.C. 20530; telephone number 1–800–345–3712; fax number (202) 616–1717.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Y2K Act provides for a suspension of penalties for a "first-time" violation of certain Federally enforceable rules or regulations, during the year 2000, where the violation was the result of a year 2000 failure, certain waiver standards are met, and no similar violation occurred during the last three years. Certain exceptions apply. For purposes of this Act, a "small business concern" is defined as an unincorporated business, a partnership, corporation, association, or organization, with fewer than 50 full-time employees.

The Y2K Act defines "Y2K failure" as

The Y2K Act defines "Y2K failure" as failure by any device or system (including any computer system and any microchip or integrated circuit embedded in another device or product), or any software, firmware, or other set or collections of processing instructions to process, calculate, compare, sequence, display, store, transmit, or receive Year 2000 date-related data. This definition specifically includes failures to:

(1) Deal with or account for transitions or comparisons from, into,

and between the years 1999 and 2000 accurately;

- (2) Recognize or process accurately any specific date in 1999, 2000, or 2001; or
- (3) Account accurately for the year 2000's status as a leap year, including recognition and processing of the correct date of February 29, 2000.

Dated: November 8, 1999.

Stephen R. Colgate,

Assistant Attorney General for Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

National Institute of Corrections

Solicitation for a Cooperative Agreement

Summary: The Department of Justice (DOJ), National Institute of Corrections (NIC) announces the availability of funds in FY 2000 for a cooperative agreement to fund the "Development of a Survival Guide for Newly Appointed Wardens" project.

Purpose: The National Institute of Corrections (NIC) invites applications for a cooperative agreement to develop a "survival guide" for newly appointed Wardens or Superintendents, hereinafter referred to as Wardens. In this usage, a survival guide is defined as "a tool that contains information that will provide instruction and guidance to newly appointed Wardens before and during their initial months in their new position". It may include written and/or audiovisual materials containing information concerning training opportunities, suggested early steps in orientation to the new assignment, and potentially important early contacts or actions. It may include written recommendations from experienced Wardens or Directors of state Departments of Correction, reference information concerning where specific information may be found, general management and leadership information, bibliography of helpful reading, information concerning special programs, or information of other types or in other that may be critical to a new Wardens early progress. This project will provide a tool that may be given to the Warden at the time of appointment and provide information that will strengthen the new appointee's entry and approach to the new position and the needs of the facility for which she is responsible.

Authority: Public Law 93-415.

Funds Available: The award will be limited to a maximum total of \$50,000 (direct and indirect costs) and project activity must be completed within 9 months of the date of award. Funds may not be used for construction, or to acquire or build real property. This project will be a collaborative venture with the NIC Prisons Division.

Eligibility to Apply: An eligible applicant is any state or general unit of local government, public or private agency, educational institution, organization, or individual with the requisite skills to successfully meet the outcome objectives of the project.

Deadline for Receipt of Applications:
Applications must be received by 4:00
p.m. Eastern Time on Monday,
December 20, 1999. They should be
addressed to: Director, National Institute
of Corrections, 320 First Street, NW,
Room 5007, Washington, DC 20534.
Hand delivered applications should be
brought to 500 First Street, NW,
Washington, DC 20534. The front desk
will call Bobbi Tinsley at (202) 307—
3106, extension 0 for pickup.

Addresses and Further Information: Requests for the application kit, which includes further details on the project's objectives, etc., should be directed to Judy Evens, Cooperative Agreement Control Office, National Institute of Corrections, 320 First Street, N.W., Room 5007, Washington, D.C. 20534 or by calling 800-995-6423, ext. 159, 202-307-3106, ext. 159, or email; jevens@bop.gov. A copy of this announcement and application forms may also be obtained through the NIC web site: http://www.nicic.org (click on "What's New" and "Cooperative Agreements"). All technical and/or programmatic questions concerning this announcement should be directed to Dick Franklin at the above address or by calling 800-995-6423 or 202-307-1300, ext. 145, or by E-mail via rfranklin@bop.gov.

Review Considerations: Applications received under this announcement will be subjected to an NIC 3 to 5 member Peer Review Process.

Number of Awards: One (1).

NIC Application Number: 00P09 This number should appear as a reference line in your cover letter and also in box 11 of Standard Form 424.

Executive Order 12372: This program is not subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number is: 16.601.

Dated: November 15, 1999.

Morris L. Thigpen,

Director, National Institute of Corrections. [FR Doc. 99–30567 Filed 11–23–99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4410–36–M

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

National Institute of Corrections

Solicitation for a Cooperative Agreement

Summary: The Department of Justice (DOJ), National Institute of Corrections (NIC) announces the availability of funds in FY 2000 for a cooperative agreement to fund the development of a document: "Management and Treatment of Violent and Hard-To-Manage Inmates."

Purpose: The National Institute of Corrections (NIC) invites applications for a cooperative agreement to develop a document concerning the management and treatment of violent and hard-tomanage inmates in state correctional facilities. This document will identify the primary reasons that special housing is viewed by prison managers as mandatory for various groups of inmates in jurisdictions of differing size, resources, and existing options. Such groups may include, but will not be limited to inmates with a violent background or who are violent in prison; security threat group leaders or members; inmates diagnosed as mentally ill, behaviorally disordered, or developmentally disabled; inmates at risk or representing risk because of their age, demeanor, sexual predation, or chronic disruptive behavior; those with a history of escape or escape attempts; or inmates who disrupt or threaten to disrupt the order of the facility and thereby pose a threat to the safety of staff and inmates or the security of the institution. This information will contribute to the understanding of interested observers of the underlying issues and concerns prompting the development of special housing and program for specific groups of inmates. In addition, the document will identify and describe predominate and noteworthy housing alternatives, management techniques, and treatment modalities employed in addressing the needs of these inmates and the problem, risk, or concern they present in the institution(s) of placement. The information provided will be descriptive and factual and will be accompanied by a summary of evaluation or outcome information, if available. Housing alternatives and management techniques will be

described with each treatment modality that is discussed. Contact information will be provided for each strategy, technique, or treatment program presented.

Authority: Public Law 93-415.

Funds Available: The award will be limited to a maximum total of \$50,000 (direct and indirect costs) and project activity must be completed within 12 months of the date of award. Funds may not be used for construction, or to acquire or build real property. This project will be a collaborative venture with the NIC Prisons Division.

Eligibility To Apply: An eligible applicant is any state or general unit of local government, public or private agency, educational institution, organization, or individual with the requisite skills to successfully meet the outcome objectives of the project.

Deadline for Receipt of Applications:
Applications must be received by 4 p.m.
Eastern time on Friday, January 7, 2000.
They should be addressed to: Director,
National Institute of Corrections, 320
First Street, NW, Room 5007,
Washington, DC 20534. Hand delivered applications should be brought to 500
First Street, NW, Washington, DC
20534. The front desk will call Bobbi
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Review Considerations: Applications received under this announcement will be subjected to an NIC 3 to 5 member Peer Review Process.

Number of Awards: One (1). NIC Application Number: 00P04 This number should appear as a reference line in your cover letter and also in box 11 of Standard Form 424.

Executive Order 12372: This program is not subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372.