

life or the environment, or require substantial change in policy.

*What Is the Level of Technical Expertise in the Target Audience?*

The target audience will include senior federal science and engineering staff who have substantial technological expertise, and policy makers.

*Eligibility Requirements and Selection Criteria*

To be selected as an exhibitor, each applicant must meet the following eligibility requirements and selection criteria:

*A. Eligibility Requirements*

1. Participation in the Center is open to private sector parties, as well as to Federal, State and local government agencies, subject to successful completion of a thorough vetting process for each candidate (to review possible conflict of interest and other relevant issues).

2. An important purpose of the Center is to provide a permanent venue for the demonstration of state-of-the-art (and beyond) technology from the high tech community nationwide. Such technologies should be expected to make a meaningful or significant impact on commerce, the environment, and the U.S. economy and standard of living, as well as contribute to U.S. competitiveness and encourage future development.

3. Any technology to be demonstrated at the Center must comply with applicable Federal laws and regulations and Department of Commerce requirements.

4. The Center will not be used for sales of merchandise, solicitations, orders or for the advertisement of specific products or services.

*B. Selection Process*

1. The applicant submits detailed information to address the Center's selection criteria of technological innovation and potential market impact.

2. If the information submitted is determined to have high merit, Technology Administration may seek additional information—either in written or oral format—or request an in-person review of the technology.

3. If TA determines, based on all of the information received, that the technology has high merit, final selection processing will proceed.

*C. Selection Criteria*

In assessing prospective technological advances for possible demonstration, the following criteria will be used:

Technical Innovation (40%). TA will assess the proposed achievement or

technical innovation from the following perspectives.

What is the achievement or innovation and what makes it extraordinary?

How does the proposed demonstration constitute an advancement beyond the current state-of-the-art in a particular technology or field?

What is the competitive landscape today (i.e., what is the current state-of-the-art in this technical area) and how does this innovation surpass current and developing technologies?

Does the proposed demonstration show promise for encouraging future development in this and other fields?

Market Impact (40%). In this section, TA will assess how the proposed achievement or innovation might generate national economic benefit from the following perspectives.

What is the potential commercial use of this achievement or innovation?

Who are the potential users and how will this achievement or innovation affect American competitiveness?

What might be its economic impact—job creation, new markets, new product development, increased imports, reduced reliance on non-renewable resources, affect on quality of life and the environment? How will the existence of this technology affect other markets? Will it require policy change?

How will the Exhibitor bring this technology into the market place?

To what extent can lessons learned in the development of this achievement or innovation serve as role models?

Portfolio Balance (20%). TA will assess how the Exhibitor's proposed demonstration might stimulate future developments in its or other fields, and broader policy debates.

How will the proposed demonstration contribute to the impact of the suite of demonstrations?

Is there a grouping of exhibits that might frame an emerging policy debate?

Are all technologies and all sectors of the American R&D enterprise being fairly represented?

This program involves a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). TA is currently seeking approval for this collection from the Office of Management and Budget. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with a collection of information subject to the requirements of the PRA unless that collection of information displays a current valid OMB control number.

The information collected will be used by TA to assess applicants against

the above stated criteria. It is estimated that the annual public burden for the collection will average 1 hour per response, with approximately 100 responses submitted each year. This estimate includes the time for reviewing the instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC, 20503 (Attention: TA Desk Officer).

**Dr. Cheryl L. Shavers,**

*Undersecretary of Commerce for Technology.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

*Title and OMB Number:* Defense Systems Management College (DSMC) Information Technology Study; OMB Number 0704—[To Be Determined].

*Type of Request:* New Collection.

*Number of Respondents:* 1,000.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 1,000.

*Average Burden per Response:* 2.5 hours.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 2,500.

*Needs and Uses:* The collection of information is needed to characterize the personality characteristics, behaviors, and workplace climate needs common among Information Technology specialists. The results from the analysis of these data will be used to determine the management practices most effective for working with these specialists and to develop management curricula based upon these findings. Respondents are information technology professionals from approximately 300 companies within the U.S. The goal of this effort is to use this information to form the basis for a new Software Best Management Practices, to be encapsulated into the Defense Systems Management College curriculum, as

well as that of the Defense University's Chief of Information Officers and civilian programs.

*Affected Public:* Business or Other For-Profit; Non-For-Profit Institutions.  
*Frequency:* On Occasion.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*OMB Desk Officer:* Mr. Edwad C. Springer.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent jto Mr. Springer at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

*DOD Clearance Officer:* Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.

Dated: October 17, 2000.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Defense Intelligence Agency, Science and Technology Advisory Board Closed Panel Meeting

**AGENCY:** Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection (d) of Section 10 of Public Law 92-463, As amended by Section 5 of Public Law 94-409, notice is hereby given that a closed meeting Of the DIA Science and Technology Advisory board has been scheduled as follows:

**DATES:** November 2000 (0800 to 1600).

**ADDRESSES:** The Defense Intelligence Agency, 3100 Clarendon Blvd, Arlington, VA 22201-5300.

**DATES:** November 2, 2000 (0800 to 1600).

**ADDRESSES:** The Defense Intelligence Agency, 200 MacDill Blvd, Washington, DC 20340.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Victoria J. Prescott, Director/Executive Secretary, DIA Science and Technology Advisory board, Washington, DC 20340-1328 (202) 231-4930.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The entire meeting is devoted to the discussion of classified information as defined in Section 552b(c)(1), Title 5 of the U.S.

Code, and therefore will be closed to the public. The Board will receive briefings on and discuss several current critical intelligence issues and advise the Director, DIA, on related scientific and technical matters.

Dated: October 18, 2000.

**L.M. Bynum,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary of Defense

#### Meeting of the DOD Advisory Group on Electron Devices

**AGENCY:** Advisory Group on Electron Devices, Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The DoD Advisory Group on Electron Devices (AGED) announces a closed session meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held at 0900, Wednesday, November 29, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at Palisades Institute for Research Services, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 500, Arlington, VA 22202.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Eliot Cohen, AGED Secretariat, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal Square Four, Suite 500, Arlington, Virginia 22202.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The mission of the Advisory Group is to provide advice to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, to the Director of Defense Research and Engineering (DDR&E), and through the DDR&E to the Director, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency and the Military Departments in planning and managing an effective and economical research and development program in the area of electron devices.

The AGED meeting will be limited to review of research and development programs which the Military Department proposes to initiate with industry, universities or in their laboratories. The agenda for this meeting will include programs on Radiation Hardened Devices, Microwave Tubes Displays and Lasers. The review will include details of classified defense programs throughout.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of Pub. L. No. 92-463, as amended, (5 U.S.C. App. § 10(d) (1994)), it had been determined that this Advisory Group meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c)(1) (1994), and that

accordingly, this meeting will be closed to the public.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Defense of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary of Defense

#### Meeting of the DOD Advisory Group on Electron Devices

**AGENCY:** Advisory Group on Electron Devices, Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Working Group C (Electro-Optics) of the DoD Advisory Group on Electron Devices (AGED) announces a closed session meeting. The announcement of the meeting is being published in less than the 15-day requirement by law because of scheduling conflicts.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held at 0900, Wednesday, November 1, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at Palisades Institute for Research Services, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 500, Arlington, VA 22202.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Elise Rabin, AGED Secretariat, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal Square Four, Suite 500, Arlington, Virginia 22202.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The mission of the Advisory Group is to provide advice to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, to the Director of Defense Research and Engineering (DDR&E), and through the DDR&E to the Director, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency and the Military Departments in planning and managing an effective and economical research and development program in the area of electron devices.

The Working Group C meeting will be limited to review of research and development programs which the Military Departments propose to initiate with industry, universities or in their laboratories. This opto-electronic device area includes such programs as imaging device, infrared detectors and lasers. The review will include details of classified defense programs throughout.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of Pub. L. No. 92-463, as amended, (5 U.S.C. App. § 10(d) (1994)), it has been determined that this Advisory Group meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) (1994), and that