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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Renewal of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service Board of Advisors

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) Board of Advisors is being renewed in consonance with the public interest and in accordance with the provisions of Pub. L. 92-463, the "Federal Advisory Committee Act," Title 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2.

The DFAS Board of Advisors advises and assists the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) and the Director, DFAS, with respect to providing world class finance and accounting services to the Department of Defense (DoD).

The DFAS Board of Advisors will continue to consist of a balanced membership of approximately ten senior executives and flag rank military officers, as well as several representatives from the private sector appointed by the Secretary of Defense.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Please contact Ms. Beverly Lemon, DFAS, 703-607-3839.

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Notice of Availability of the Ground-Based Midcourse Defense Extended Test Range Draft Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Missile Defense Agency/
Federal Aviation Administration,
Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of the Ground-Based Midcourse Defense (GMD) Extended Test Range Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), that analyzes the potential for environmental impacts associated with the proposed action of the establishment of an extended test range capability providing more realistic operational flight testing. The current capability includes missile launch sites and array of sensors and other test equipment located at the Ronald Reagan Ballistic Missile Test Site (RTS) at Kwajalein Atoll, the Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) in Hawaii, and Vandenberg Air Force Base (AFB) in California.

The proposed action and alternatives examined in the DEIS include

development of the capability for single and dual launches of interceptor and target missiles at the Kodiak Launch Complex (KLC) Alaska, RTS, and/or Vandenberg AFB, with intercepts over the Pacific Ocean. Development of these capabilities would entail construction of two interceptor launchers, one additional target launch pad and construction/alteration of launch support facilities at KLC; target pad modifications at RTS; modification of support facilities at Vandenberg AFB; construction of In-Flight Interceptor Communication System (IFICS) Data Terminals and military and commercial satellite communications in the mid-Pacific and at KLC or Vandenberg AFB; additional range instrumentation (tracking and range safety radars) in the vicinity of sites; and use of either existing Battle Management Command and Control (BMC2) facilities at Reagan Test Site, or new BMC2 facilities that may be developed at Fort Greely, Alaska and/or Shriever AFB, or Cheyenne Mountain Complex, Colorado, in the validation of the GMD operational concept effort.

Additionally, the proposed action and alternatives include the construction and operation of a Sea-Based Test X-Band Radar (SBX) that would operate in the Pacific broad ocean area and would be home-based in either Alaska, California, Washington, or Hawaii.

Public Hearings: In order to facilitate public review and comment on the DEIS, public hearings have been scheduled at the following cities:

City	Date	Location
Oxnard, CA	February 24, 2003	Oxnard Public Library.
Kodiak, AK	February 24, 2003	Kodiak High School.
Lompoc, CA	February 25, 2003	Lompoc City Council Chambers.
Anchorage, AK	February 25, 2003	Egan Convention Center.
Valdez, AK	February 26, 2003	Valdez Convention Center.
Everett, WA	February 27, 2003	Everett Holiday Inn.
Honolulu, HI	March 6, 2003	Disabled American Veterans Hall, Keehi Lagoon Park.

Detailed information on location and times for each of the public hearing will be published in local and regional newspapers two weeks in advance, and public service announcements will be provided to radio and television stations. MDA, GMD, and U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command personnel will attend all sessions to present information on the DEIS, to receive comments, and to answer questions.

Copies of the document will be made available at the following public libraries:

- Anchorage Municipal Library, 3600 Denali St., Anchorage, AK 99503
- Everett Library, 2702 Hoyt Ave, Everett, WA 98201
- Kodiak City Library, 319 Lower Mill Bay Rd, Kodiak, AK 99615
- Lompoc Public Library, 501 E North Ave, Lompoc, CA 93436
- Mountain View Branch Library, 150 S Bragaw St, Anchorage, AK 99508
- Oxnard Public Library, 251 S A St., Oxnard, CA 93030
- Valdez City Library, 212 Fairbanks, Valdez, AK 99686

- Hawaii State Library, Hawaii Documents Center, 478 South King St., Honolulu, HI 96813

- University of Hawaii at Manoa, Hamilton Library, 2550 The Mall, Honolulu, HI 96822

DATES: Public comments are invited and must be postmarked by March 24, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the document or to provide comments on the DEIS should be addressed to: U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, ATTN: SMDC-EN-V (Mrs. Julia Hudson-Elliott), 106 Wynn Drive, Huntsville, AL 35805, by e-mail at

gmdetreis@smdc.army.mil, or by phone at 1-800-823-8823.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information on the MDA GMD program, please call Mr. Rick Lahner at (703) 697-8997.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board

AGENCY: Department of Defense

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meetings

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board Task Force on Future Strategic Strike Forces will meet in closed session on February 20-21, 2003; March 19-20, 2003; April 24-25, 2003; May 22-23, 2003; June 18-19, 2003; and July 23-24, 2003, at SAIC, 4001 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA. The Task Force will assess the future strategic strike force needs of the Department of Defense.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At these meetings, the Task Force will: assess the estimated systems life of the current nuclear strike forces; assess the future need for nuclear strike forces and recommend a strategy for the evolution of the current nuclear force capability; identify promising non-nuclear strike systems with such capabilities and consequence that they should be coherently planned and directed with strategic nuclear forces; identify new concepts and approaches, to include hypersonics, for the application of these strategic nuclear and non-nuclear forces that address the future strategic environment.

In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law No. 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II), it has been determined that these Defense Science Board Task Force meetings concern matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) and that, accordingly, these meetings will be closed to the public.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of proposed information collection requests.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: An emergency review has been requested in accordance with the Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 3507 (j)), since public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. Approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has been requested by February 14, 2003. A regular clearance process is also beginning. Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 8, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding the emergency review should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Karen Lee, Desk Officer: Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the Internet address Karen_F.Lee@omb.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35) requires that the Director of OMB provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Regulatory Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the

Departmental review of the information collection. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) title; (3) summary of the collection; (4) description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) reporting and/or recordkeeping burden. ED invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: February 4, 2003.

John D. Tressler,

Leader, Regulatory Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Type of Review: Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Title: Annual Performance Report and Report to the Secretary Under the Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities Program (Part C, IDEA) (SC).

Abstract: The State Interagency Coordinating Committee is required under section 641 of part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) to submit an annual report to the Secretary and the State's governor on the status of the early intervention program for infants and toddlers with disabilities. States are also required to submit a performance report to the Secretary under section 80.40 of the Education Department General Administrative Regulations. This collection serves both of these functions.

Additional Information: An expedited review and approval is requested to give states the maximum time for preparing their response which is due on March 31, 2003.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: State, local, or tribal gov't, SEAs or LEAs (primary).

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour

Burden: Responses: 57.

Burden Hours: 1710.

Written requests for information should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651 or to the e-mail address vivan.reese@ed.gov. Requests may also be faxed to 202-708-9346. Please