from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

Any associated form(s) for this collection may be located within this same electronic docket and downloaded for review/testing. Follow the instructions at http://www.regulations.gov for submitting comments. Please submit comments on any given form identified by docket number, form number, and title.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to: LTC Luis A. Fregoso, Warrior Transition Command, 200 Stovall Street, Suite 7S37, Alexandria VA 22332–5000 or luis.a.fregoso3.mil@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
The following information collection requirement is necessary to plan and execute the 2016 Warrior Games. Created in 2010, the Warrior Games showcases the resilient spirit of today’s wounded, ill or injured service members from all branches of the military. Wounded, ill and/or injured athletes from the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Coast Guard, Air Force and Special Operations Command compete in eight sports (archery, cycling, shooting, swimming, track, field, sitting volleyball and wheelchair basketball) in a display of courage and resilience. The 2016 Warrior Games (WG16), to be held June 15 through June 21, 2016 at the U.S. Military Academy (USMA) in West Point, New York, is being organized by the Warrior Transition Command (WTC) of the U.S. Army.

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Warrior Games Registration Forms; OMB Control Number 0702–3055.

Needs and Uses: The information collected is necessary in order to plan and manage the 2016 Warrior Games.

Affected Public: Individuals.

Annual Burden Hours: 25.38 hours.

Number of Respondents: 245.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 245.

Average Burden per Respondent: 7 minutes.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Respondents are individuals that will be participating in the 2016 Warrior Games. Athletes, non-medical assistants, coaches, volunteers, family members, distinguished visitors and members of the media. All registration forms will be accessed, completed and submitted online.


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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Defense Acquisition Regulations System
[Docket No. DARS–2015–0071]

Negotiation of a Reciprocal Defense Procurement Memorandum of Understanding With the Ministry of Defense of Japan

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Request for public comments.

SUMMARY: On behalf of the U.S. Government, DoD is contemplating negotiating and concluding a Reciprocal Defense Procurement Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Defense of Japan. DoD is requesting industry feedback regarding its experience in public defense procurements conducted by or on behalf of the Japanese Ministry of Defense or Armed Forces.

DATES: Submit written comments to the address shown below on or February 1, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments to Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Attn: Ms. Patricia Foley, 3060 Defense Pentagon, Room 5E621, Washington, DC 20301–3060; or by email to patricia.g.foley.civ@mail.mil.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Patricia Foley, Senior Analyst, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics (OUSD(AT&L)), Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Contract Policy and International Contracting; Room 5E621, 3060 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3060; telephone (703) 693–1145.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: DoD has concluded Reciprocal Defense Procurement (RDP) Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) with 23 “qualifying countries” at the level of the Secretary of Defense and his counterpart. The purpose of RDP MOUs is to promote rationalization, standardization, and interoperability of conventional defense equipment with allies and other friendly governments. These MOUs provide a framework for ongoing communication regarding market access and procurement matters that enhance effective defense cooperation.

RDP MOUs generally include language by which the Parties agree that their defense procurements will be conducted in accordance with certain implementing procedures. These procedures relate to—

• Publication of notices of proposed purchases;
• The content and availability of solicitations for proposed purchases;
• Notification to each unsuccessful offeror;

feedback, upon request, to unsuccessful offerors concerning the reasons they were not allowed to participate in a procurement or were not awarded a contract; and

• Provision for the hearing and review of complaints arising in connection with any phase of the procurement process to ensure that, to the extent possible, complaints are equitably and expeditiously resolved.

Based on the MOU, each country affords the other country certain benefits on a reciprocal basis consistent with national laws and regulations. The benefits that the United States accords to the products of qualifying countries include—

• Offers of qualifying country end products are evaluated without applying the price differentials otherwise required by the Buy American statute and the Balance of Payments Program;
• The chemical warfare protection clothing restrictions in 10 U.S.C. 2533a and the specialty metals restriction in 10 U.S.C. 2533b(a)(1) do not apply to products manufactured in a qualifying country; and

• Customs, taxes, and duties are waived for qualifying country end products and components of defense procurements.

If DoD (for the U.S. Government) concludes an RDP MOU with the Ministry of Defense of Japan, then Japan would be listed as one of the “qualifying countries” in the definition of “qualifying country” at DFARS 225.003, and offers of products of Japan or that contain components from Japan would be afforded the benefits available to all qualifying countries. This also means that U.S. products would be exempt from any analogous “Buy Japan” laws or policies applicable to procurements by the Japanese Ministry of Defense or Armed Forces.

While DoD is evaluating Japan’s laws and regulations in this area, DoD would benefit from U.S. industry’s experience in participating in Japan’s public defense procurements. DoD is, therefore, asking U.S. firms that have participated
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Secretary

Judicial Proceedings Since Fiscal Year 2012 Amendments Panel (Judicial Proceedings Panel); Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing this notice to announce the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Judicial Proceedings since Fiscal Year 2012 Amendments Panel (“the Judicial Proceedings Panel” or “the Panel”). The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: A meeting of the Judicial Proceedings Panel will be held on Friday, January 15, 2016. The Public Session will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 4:45 p.m.

ADDRESS: The Holiday Inn Arlington at Ballston, 4610 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22203.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This public meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102–3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: In Section 576(a)(2) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 (Pub. L. 112–239), as amended, Congress tasked the Judicial Proceedings Panel to conduct an independent review and assessment of judicial proceedings conducted under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) involving adult sexual assault and related offenses since the amendments made to the UCMJ by section 541 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 (Pub. L. 112–81; 125 Stat. 1404), for the purpose of developing recommendations for improvements to such proceedings. At this meeting, the Panel will deliberate on its analysis, conclusions and recommendations regarding Article 120 of the UCMJ. The Panel will also continue deliberations on issues relating to retaliation against individuals who report incidents of sexual assault within the military. The Panel is interested in written and oral comments from the public, including non-governmental organizations, relevant to these issues or any of the Panel’s tasks.

Agenda:
—9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Deliberations: Article 120 of the UCMJ
—12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m. Lunch
—1:00 p.m.–4:30 p.m. Deliberations and Review of Draft Report: Retaliation against Victims of Sexual Assault Crimes
—4:30 p.m.–4:45 p.m. Public Comment

Availability of Materials for the Meeting: A copy of the January 15, 2016 public meeting agenda or any updates or changes to the agenda, to include individual speakers not identified at the time of this notice, as well as other materials provided to Panel members for use at the public meeting, may be obtained at the meeting or from the Panel’s Web site at http://jpp.whs.mil.

Public’s Accessibility to the Meeting: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is limited and is on a first-come basis.

Special Accommodations: Individuals requiring special accommodations to access the public meeting should contact the Judicial Proceedings Panel at whs.pentagon.em.mbx.judicial-panel@mail.mil at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Procedures for Providing Public Comments: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.140 and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments to the Panel about its mission and topics pertaining to this public session. Written comments must be received by the JPP at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting date so that they may be made available to the Judicial Proceedings Panel for their consideration prior to the meeting.

Written comments should be submitted via email to the Judicial Proceedings Panel at whs.pentagon.em.mbx.judicial-panel@mail.mil in the following formats: Adobe Acrobat or Microsoft Word. Please note that since the Judicial Proceedings Panel operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, all written comments will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection. If members of the public are interested in making an oral statement, a written statement must be submitted along with a request to provide an oral statement. Oral presentations by members of the public will be permitted from 4:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. on January 15, 2016 in front of the Panel members. The number of oral presentations to be made will depend on the number of requests received from members of the public on a first-come basis. After reviewing the requests for oral presentation, the Chairperson and the Designated Federal Officer will, if they determine the statement to be relevant to the Panel’s mission, allot five minutes to persons desiring to make an oral presentation.

Committee’s Designated Federal Officer: The Panel’s Designated Federal Officer is Ms. Maria Fried, Department of Defense, Office of the General Counsel, 1600 Defense Pentagon, Room 3B747, Washington, DC 20301–1600.


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