

within which to take action on the proposed rule change so that it has sufficient time to consider the proposed rule change. Accordingly, the Commission, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,<sup>5</sup> designates March 1, 2017, as the date by which the Commission should either approve or disapprove or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove the proposed rule change (File Number SR–NYSEMKT–2016–103).

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>6</sup>

**Eduardo A. Aleman,**  
Assistant Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 9840]

### Notice of Determinations; Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition Determinations: “Seurat’s Circus Sideshow” Exhibition

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (79 Stat. 985; 22 U.S.C. 2459), E.O. 12047 of March 27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2681, *et seq.*; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, *et seq.*), Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999, Delegation of Authority No. 236–3 of August 28, 2000 (and, as appropriate, Delegation of Authority No. 257 of April 15, 2003), I hereby determine that the objects to be included in the exhibition “Seurat’s Circus Sideshow,” imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, are of cultural significance. The objects are imported pursuant to loan agreements with the foreign owners or custodians. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, New York, from on or about February 17, 2017, until on or about May 29, 2017, and at possible additional exhibitions or venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest. I have ordered that Public Notice of these Determinations be published in the **Federal Register**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information, including a list of the imported objects, contact the Office of Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs

in the Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: 202–632–6471; email: [section2459@state.gov](mailto:section2459@state.gov)). The mailing address is U.S. Department of State, L/PD, SA–5, Suite 5H03, Washington, DC 20522–0505.

**Mark Taplin,**

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs,  
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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 9845]

### Notice of a Public Meeting and Request for Comments on Funding Initiatives To End Modern Slavery

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State is issuing this notice to announce a public meeting and request for comment on the most effective approaches for awarding funds for the purpose of reducing the prevalence of modern slavery globally. The award of these funds will respond to the requirements in section 7060(f) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2016 (Div. K, Pub. L. 114–113) and section 1298 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (S. 2943). Interested parties may offer oral and/or written comments at a public meeting to be held on January 25, 2017.

**DATES AND LOCATION:** A public meeting will be conducted on January 25, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. EST on the 10th floor in Room 10000 of the Department of State Annex located at 1800 G Street NW., Washington DC, 20520.

**Pre-Registration:** The public is asked to pre-register by January 18, due to security and seating limitations. To pre-register, please send an email to Adam Guarneri of the State Department at [TIPOutreach@state.gov](mailto:TIPOutreach@state.gov). The pre-registration request should include the first and last name of the attendee(s), and, if applicable, company or organization name. Registration check-in will begin at 9:00 a.m. eastern time and the meeting will start at 10:00 a.m. and conclude by 12:00 p.m. Attendees must be prepared to present a form of government-issued photo identification.

**Oral Public Comments:** Parties wishing to make formal oral presentations at the public meeting must contact Adam Guarneri by email at [TIPOutreach@state.gov](mailto:TIPOutreach@state.gov) no later than January 18, 2017, to be placed on the public speaker list. Time allocations for oral presentations will be limited to five minutes. Note: Requests made after the

deadline for formal oral presentations will be granted as time permits and assigned based on the order the requests are received. All formal oral public comments should also be submitted in writing to [TIPOutreach@state.gov](mailto:TIPOutreach@state.gov) by February 1, 2017.

**Written Comments/Statements:** In lieu of, or in addition to, participating in the public meeting, interested parties may submit written comments to [TIPOutreach@state.gov](mailto:TIPOutreach@state.gov) by February 1, 2017.

**Meeting Accommodations:** The public meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Request for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Adam Guarneri at [TIPOutreach@state.gov](mailto:TIPOutreach@state.gov) by January 18, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Adam Guarneri, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, U.S. Department of State, at [TIPOutreach@state.gov](mailto:TIPOutreach@state.gov) for clarification of content, public meeting information, or submission of comment.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 7060(f) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2016 (Div. K, Pub. L. 114–13) appropriated \$25 million in funds to “to be awarded on an open and competitive basis, to reduce the prevalence of modern slavery globally.” The National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2017 (S. 2943) authorized the Department to “to provide support for transformational programs and projects that seek to achieve a measurable and substantial reduction of the prevalence of modern slavery in targeted populations within partner countries (or jurisdictions thereof).”

The State Department seeks public comment on the most effective approaches for awarding funds to reduce the prevalence of modern slavery. The input will be considered in the solicitation and selection of proposals for award of these funds and in the management of these funds in the future.

The Department especially welcomes public comment on the following issues:

1. *Focus of program.* What areas of program funding would have the greatest impact in reducing the prevalence of modern slavery globally?
2. *Assistance Coordination.* What steps could the Department take to ensure this funding complements existing efforts to combat human trafficking globally?
3. What other factors/issues should the Department consider in the development and management of this award/solicitation?

<sup>5</sup> *Id.*

<sup>6</sup> 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(31).