DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Advisory Committee for the Study of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union (Title VIII) Public Meeting Notice

The Advisory Committee for the Study of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union (Advisory Committee) will convene on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, from 1:30 p.m. until approximately 3:30 p.m. The meeting will take place at the U.S. Department of State, Harry S Truman Building, 2201 C Street NW, Washington, DC, in room 1406.

The Advisory Committee will recommend grant recipients for the 2018 funding opportunity for the Program for the Study of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union, in accordance with the Research and Training for Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union Act of 1983, Public Law 98–164, as amended. The agenda will include opening statements by the chairperson and members of the committee. The committee will provide an overview and discussion of grant proposals from “national organizations with an interest and expertise in conducting research and training concerning the countries of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union,” based on the guidelines set forth in the June request for proposals published on Grants.gov and SAMS Domestic (mygrants.service-now.com). Following committee deliberation, interested members of the public may make oral statements concerning the Title VIII program.

This meeting will be open to the public; however, attendance is limited to available seating. Entry into the Harry S Truman building is controlled and must be arranged in advance of the meeting. Those planning to attend should notify the Title VIII Program Officer at the U.S. Department of State at TitleVIII@state.gov, subject: Public Meeting RSVP, no later than close of business, Tuesday, September 4, 2018.

For pre-clearance into the Harry S Truman building, the Title VIII Program Officer will request identifying data pursuant to Public Law 99–399 ( Omnibus Diplomatic Security and Antiterrorism Act of 1986), as amended; Public Law 107–56 ( USA PATRIOT Act); and Executive Order 13356. This information is being collected pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2651 and 22 U.S.C. 480 p for the purpose of screening and pre-clearing participants to enter the host venue at the U.S. Department of State, in line with standard security procedures for events of this size. The Department of State will use this information consistent with the routine uses set forth in the System of Records Notices for Security Records (State-36). Provision of this information is voluntary, but failure to provide accurate information may impede your ability to register for the event. Please see the Security Records System of Records Notice (State-36) at https://www.state.gov/documents/organization/242611.pdf for additional information.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

[Docket No. USTR–2018–0026]


AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: In a notice published on July 17, 2018 (83 FR 33608), the U.S. Trade Representative (Trade Representative) proposed a modification of the action taken in this investigation in the form of an additional 10 percent ad valorem duty on products of China with an annual trade value of approximately $200 billion. The July 17th notice sought public comment and provided notice of a public hearing regarding this proposed modification of the action in the investigation. On August 1, 2018, the Trade Representative announced that the President had directed the Trade Representative to consider raising the level of the additional duty in the proposed supplemental action from 10 percent to 25 percent. In light of this possible increase in the rate of additional duty, the Trade Representative is extending certain