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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 A (Microwave Devices) of the DoD Advisory Group on Electron Devices (AGED) announces a closed session meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held at 0900, Wednesday, December 13, 2000.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David Cox, AGED Secretariat, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal Square Four, Suite 500, Arlington, VA 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 (ARPA) 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 A 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 microwave device area includes programs on developments and research related to microwave tubes, solid state microwave devices, electronic warfare devices, millimeter wave devices, and passive devices. 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

accordingly, this meeting will be closed to the public.

Dated: October 17, 2000.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary of Defense.

Change in Meeting Date of the DOD Advisory Group on Electron Devices

AGENCY: Advisory Group on Electron Devices, Department of Defense

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Working Group B (Microelectronics) of the DoD Advisory Group on Electron (AGED) announces a change to a closed session meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held at 0900, Thursday, November 30, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held 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 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 research and development program in the field of electron devices.

The Working Group B meeting will be limited to review of research and development programs which the military proposes to initiate with industry, universities or in their laboratories. The microelectronics area includes such programs on semiconductor materials, integrated circuits, charge coupled devices and memories. The review will include classified program details 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 accordingly, this meeting will be closed to the public.

Dated: October 17, 2000.

Patricia L. Toppings,

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board (DSB) Task Force on Systems Technology for the Future U.S. Strategic Posture will meet in closed session on November 13-14, 2000, at Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska. This Task Force will review the likely nature and evolution of potential future strategic challenges to the U.S., advanced technologies for nuclear weapons systems and non-nuclear strategic weapons systems, and advanced C4ISR technology applications for strategic contingencies.

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 this meeting, the Defense Science Board Task Force will consider the extent to which technologies and systems currently being developed and applied for regional contingencies are relevant and applicable to future strategic contingencies; take into account affordability and arms control constraints; look at possible further future ballistic missile defense technology to the extent that ballistic missile defense relates to the overall future strategic posture; and consider strategies for using the national strategic technology base to deal with, or hedge against, the uncertainties and ambiguities inherent in the nature and timing of emergence of possible strategic threats, including possible dissuasion of such threats; and, consider the capability of the technology and industrial base to respond in time to long-term strategic warning in various forms, including the adequacy and responsiveness of DoD's science and technology programs.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II, (1994)), it has been determined that this Defense Science Board meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C.

§ 552b(c)(1) (1994), and that accordingly these meetings will be closed to the public.

Dated: October 18, 2000.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:

Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences.

TIME AND DATE: 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., November 20, 2000.

PLACE: Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Board of Regents Conference Room (D3001), 4301 Jones Bridge Road, Bethesda, MD 20814-4799.

STATUS: Open—under “Government in the Sunshine Act” (5 U.S.C. 552b(e)(3)).

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

8:30 a.m. Meeting—Board of Regents

- (1) Approval of Minutes—September 8, 2000
- (2) Faculty Matters
- (3) Departmental Reports
- (4) Financial Report
- (5) Report—President, USUHS
- (6) Report—Dean, School of Medicine
- (7) Report—Dean, Graduate School of Nursing
- (8) Comments—Chairman, Board of Regents
- (9) New Business

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Mr. Bobby D. Anderson, Executive Secretary, Board of Regents, (301) 295-3116.

Dated: October 20, 2000.

Linda Bynum,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Office of Educational Research and Improvement; Fund for the Improvement of Education—Partnerships in Character Education Pilot Projects; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2001

Purpose of Program: The purpose of the Fund for the Improvement of

Education (FIE) is to support nationally significant programs to improve the quality of education, assist all students to meet challenging State content standards, and contribute to the achievement of the National Education Goals. The purpose of this competition is to support pilot projects that design and implement character education programs as a way to address the broader FIE objectives.

Eligible Applicants: Only State educational agencies that have not already received a grant or grants that total \$1,000,000 under the Partnerships in Character Education Pilot Projects Program, in partnership with one or more local educational agencies, may apply. Please note that 19 States (list of States is provided in the last paragraph of the “Supplementary Information” section) have already received the maximum amount of \$1,000,000 and are, therefore, no longer eligible to apply. Eighteen additional States have received grants close to the \$1,000,000 allowed by law. If you are not sure if your State is eligible, please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

The term “State educational agency” means the agency primarily responsible for the State supervision of public elementary and secondary schools (20 U.S.C. 8011(28)).

The term “local educational agency” means—

- (1) A public board of education or other public authority legally constituted within a State for either administrative control or direction of, or to perform a service function for, public elementary or secondary schools in a city, county, township, school district, or other political subdivision of a State, or for such combination of school districts or counties as are recognized in a State as an administrative agency for its public elementary or secondary schools.

- (2) The term includes any other public institution or agency having administrative control and direction of a public elementary or secondary school.

- (3) The term includes an elementary or secondary school funded by the Bureau of Indian Affairs but only to the extent that the inclusion makes the school eligible for programs for which specific eligibility is not provided to the school in another provision of law and the school does not have a student population that is smaller than the student population of the local educational agency receiving assistance under this chapter with the smallest student population, except that the school shall not be subject to the

jurisdiction of any State educational agency other than the Bureau of Indian Affairs (20 U.S.C. 8011 (18)).

Applications Available: October 30, 2000.

The application package for this competition is also available on line at: <http://ed.gov/GrantApps/>

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: December 20, 2000.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: February 19, 2000.

Estimated Available Funds: Up to \$4,100,000. The Administration has requested funding for this program for FY 2001. The actual level of funding, if any, depends on final congressional action. However, we are inviting applications to allow enough time to complete the grant process before the end of the fiscal year, if Congress appropriates funds for this program.

Estimated Range of Awards: \$100,000–\$1,000,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$350,000

Maximum Award: The authorizing legislation for this program specifies that no State education agency shall receive more than a total of \$1,000,000 in grants under this program. Therefore, we will reject an application that proposes a budget exceeding a total of \$1,000,000 in Federal funds for the entire project period.

Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 10.

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Budget Period: 12 months.

Project Period: Up to 60 months.

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, 86, 97, 98, and 99. (b) The regulations in 34 CFR part 299.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The statute governing the Partnerships in Character Education Pilot Projects program limits the total amount awarded to any State to \$1,000,000 and the funding period to five years, of which not more than one year may be used for planning and program design. Each applicant, operating within these parameters, may, in designing character education activities, determine the combination of funds and time that is most appropriate. For example, one applicant may request \$500,000 per year for two years, another may request \$100,000 for the first year, \$400,000 for the second and third years, and \$100,000 for the fourth year, and a third may request \$200,000 per year for five years. In preparing your application, you should take special care to provide