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AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Board for International Food and Agricultural Development; One Hundred and Forty-Fourth Meeting; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given of the one hundred and forty-fourth meeting of the Board for International Food and Agricultural Development (BIFAD). The meeting will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on May 19th, 2005 at the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges (NASULGC), 1307 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC (13th & H St.)

The BIFAD will address an agenda focusing on Agriculture Development in Afghanistan, including poppy control initiatives, a progress report on horticultural assessments recently held in Africa, Latin America and the Middle East, discussion of the merits of establishing a CRSP Board, issues of visa issuance for international trainees, long term training, and other items of general interest.

The meeting is free and open to the public. Those wishing to attend the meeting or obtain additional information about BIFAD should contact John Swanson, the Designated Federal Officer for BIFAD. Write him in care of the U.S. Agency for International Development, Ronald Reagan Building, Office of Agriculture and Food Security, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Room 2.11–06, Washington DC, 20523–2110 or telephone him at (202) 712–5602 or fax (202) 216–3010.

John Swanson,

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AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid (ACVFA).

Date: Wednesday, May 25, 2005 (9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.).

Location: The National Press Club, 529 14th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20045.

The meeting will open with a keynote address by USAID Administrator Andrew Natsios. He will discuss democratic governance and civil society.

Following the Administrator's presentation, James Smith, Acting Assistant Administrator for USAID's Bureau for Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade will present the agency's new education strategy followed by a panel discussion with Stephen Moseley, President of the Academy for Educational Development and John Grayzel, Director of the Office of Education in USAID's Bureau for Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade.

Following lunch, participants will be invited to attend concurrent panel sessions on either USAID's Arab and Muslim outreach strategy or tsunami relief and reconstruction. Panelists include Samah Alrayyes with USAID's Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs, Nancy Aossey, President and CEO of International Medical Corps, Ken Isaacs, Director of USAID's Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance, Iqbal Noor Ali, CEO of the Aga Khan Foundation USA, Michael Nyenhuis, President of MAP International, Ann Phillips with USAID's Bureau for Policy and Program Coordination and Mark Ward, Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Bureau for Asia and the Near East. Following the panel sessions, participants will reconvene for recommendations and a final wrap-up. Participants will have an opportunity to ask questions of the speakers and participate in the discussion.

The meeting is free and open to the public. Persons wishing to attend the meeting can register online at *http:// www.usaid.gov/about_usaid/acvfa* or email their name to Barbara Underwood Federal Register

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Dated: April 29, 2005.

Jocelyn M. Rowe,

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

Notice of Appointment to the Advisory Committee on Biotechnology and 21st Century Agriculture

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service.

ACTION: Notice of appointment to the Advisory Committee on Biotechnology and 21st Century Agriculture.

SUMMARY: The Office of the Secretary of Agriculture announces members appointed to fill 9 vacancies on the Advisory Committee on Biotechnology and 21st Century Agriculture (AC21), in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Those appointed are as follows: Richard Crowder, President and Chief Executive Officer, American Seed Trade Association, in Alexandria, Virginia; Duane Grant, Farmer, in Rupert, Idaho; Robert Herdt, Adjunct International Professor of Applied Economics and Management, Cornell University, in Ithaca, New York; Josephine Hunt, Program Manager, Global Science and Regulatory Affairs, Kraft Foods, in Glenview, Illinois; Gregory Jaffe, Director, Biotechnology Project, Center for Science in the Public Interest, in Washington, DC; Patricia Lavton, Professor, Department of Forestry and Natural Resources, Clemson University, in Clemson, South Carolina (AC21 Chair); Bradley Shurdut, Global Leader, Government Relations, Regulatory Affairs, and Science Policy, Dow AgroSciences LLC, in Washington, DC; Alison Van Eenennaam, Cooperative Extension Specialist, Department of Animal Science, University of California in Davis, California; and Lisa Zannoni, Director, Global Regulatory Affairs and Government Relations, BASF Corporation, in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

Notices