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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

### National Women's Business Council; Notice of Public Meeting

In accordance with the Women's Business Ownership Act, Public Law 106-554 as amended, the National Women's Business Council (NWBC) would like to announce a forthcoming Council meeting. The meeting will discuss the National Women's Business Council's agenda and action items for fiscal year 2006, included and not limited to procurement, access to capital, access to training and technical assistance, and access to markets.

**DATES:** Thursday, January 26, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 Third Street, SW., Eisenhower Conference Room, Washington, DC 20416.

Time: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Status: Open to the public.

Attendance by RSVP only.

Contact: Katherine Stanley, National Women's Business Council, 202-205-3850.

Anyone wishing to attend and to make an oral presentation at the meeting must contact Margaret Barton, no later than Monday, January 23, 2006 at (202) 205-3850.

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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

### Small Business Size Standards: Waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of Waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Office Supplies, Paper and Toner.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is granting a waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Office Supplies, Paper and Toner. The basis for waiver is that no small business manufacturers are supplying this class of product to the Federal government. The effect of a waiver would be to allow otherwise qualified regular dealers to supply the products of

any domestic manufacturer on a Federal contract set aside for small businesses; service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses or SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program.

**DATES:** This waiver is effective January 27, 2006.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Edith Butler, Program Analyst, by telephone at (202) 619-0422; by FAX at (202) 481-1788; or by e-mail at [edith.butler@sba.gov](mailto:edith.butler@sba.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 8(a)(17) of the Small Business Act, (Act) 15 U.S.C. 637(a)(17), requires that recipients of Federal contracts set aside for small businesses, service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses, or SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program provide the product of a small business manufacturer or processor, if the recipient is other than the actual manufacturer or processor of the product. This requirement is commonly referred to as the Nonmanufacturer Rule. The SBA regulations imposing this requirement are found at 13 CFR 121.406(b). Section 8(a)(17)(b)(iv) of the Act authorizes SBA to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for any "class of products" for which there are no small business manufacturers or processors available to participate in the Federal market.

As implemented in SBA's regulations at 13 CFR 121.1202(c), in order to be considered available to participate in the Federal market for a class of products, a small business manufacturer must have submitted a proposal for a contract solicitation or received a contract from the Federal government within the last 24 months. The SBA defines "class of products" based on six digit coding systems. The first coding system is the Office of Management and Budget North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

The SBA received a request on October 18, 2005, to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Office Supplies, Paper and Toner.

In response, on November 3, 2005, SBA published in the **Federal Register** a notice of intent to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Office Supplies, Paper and Toner. SBA explained in the notice that it was soliciting comments and sources of small business manufacturers of this class of products.

In response to this notice, a comment was received from an interested party. SBA has determined that there are no small business manufacturers of this class of products, and is therefore granting the waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Office

Supplies, Paper and Toner, NAICS 424120, 339940, 325992, 322231, and 453210.

**Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 637(a)(17).

Dated: January 5, 2006.

**Karen C. Hontz,**

*Associate Administrator for Government Contracting.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

### [Public Notice 5271]

### Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition Determinations: "David Smith: A Centennial"

**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), Executive Order 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 of October 19, 1999, as amended, and Delegation of Authority No. 257 of April 15, 2003 [68 FR 19875], I hereby determine that the objects to be included in the exhibition "David Smith: A Centennial", 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. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, from on or about February 3, 2006, until on or about May 14, 2006, and at possible additional venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest. Public Notice of these Determinations is ordered to be published in the **Federal Register**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information, including a list of the exhibit objects, contact Richard Lahne, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: (202) 453-8058). The address is U.S. Department of State, SA-44, 301 4th Street, SW., Room 700, Washington, DC 20547-0001.

Dated: January 9, 2006.

**C. Miller Crouch,**

*Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.*

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