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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute Special Emphasis Panel, Comprehensive Sickle Cell Center Review.

*Date:* September 5-7, 2007.

*Time:* 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Crystal City Marriott, 1999 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

*Contact Person:* Rina Das, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Review Branch/DERA, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 7200, Bethesda, MD 20892-7924, 301-435-0297, [dasr2@nhlbi.nih.gov](mailto:dasr2@nhlbi.nih.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute on Aging; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

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*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Aging Special Emphasis Panel, Methods Preventing and Shielding Long Life.

*Date:* September 12, 2007.

*Time:* 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institute on Aging, Gateway bldg. rm. 2c212, 7201 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Bitu Nakhai, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Office, National Institute on Aging, Gateway Bldg., 2C212, 7201 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814, 301-402-7701, [nakhaib@nia.nih.gov](mailto:nakhaib@nia.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Aging Initial Review Group, Biological Aging Review Committee, NIA-B Committee Review Meeting.

*Date:* October 10-11, 2007.

*Time:* 5 p.m. to 5 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Bolger Center, 9600 Newbridge Drive, Potomac, MD 20854.

*Contact Person:* Bitu Nakhai, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Office, National Institute on Aging, Gateway Bldg., 2C212, 7201 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814, 301-402-7701, [nakhaib@nia.nih.gov](mailto:nakhaib@nia.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Aging Special Emphasis Panel, Effect of Damage Autophagy and Aging.

*Date:* October 15-16, 2007.

*Time:* 5 p.m. to 5 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Bolger Center, 9600 Newbridge Drive, Potomac, MD 20854.

*Contact Person:* Bitu Nakhai, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Office, National Institute on Aging, Gateway Bldg., 2C212, 7201 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814, 301-402-7701, [nakhaib@nia.nih.gov](mailto:nakhaib@nia.nih.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, Shared Instrumentation Grants for Microscopy.

*Date:* September 6, 2007.

*Time:* 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Melrose Hotel, 2430 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

*Contact Person:* Noni Byrnes, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5130, MSC 7840, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-1023, [byrnesn@csr.nih.gov](mailto:byrnesn@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Oncological Sciences Integrated Review Group, Molecular Oncogenesis Study Section.

*Date:* September 24-25, 2007.

*Time:* 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Miyako Hotel, 1625 Post Street, San Francisco, CA 94115.

*Contact Person:* Joanna M. Watson, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 6208, MSC 7804, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-1048, [watsonjo@csr.nih.gov](mailto:watsonjo@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, Anterior Eye Disease Member Conflicts.

*Date:* September 26, 2007.

*Time:* 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Biao Tian, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3166, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-402-4411, [tianbi@csr.nih.gov](mailto:tianbi@csr.nih.gov).

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.306, Comparative Medicine; 93.333, Clinical Research; 93.306, 93.333, 93.337, 93.393-93.396, 93.837-93.844, 93.846-93.878, 93.892, 93.893, National Institutes of Health, HHS).

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

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#### Extension of the Designation of El Salvador for Temporary Protected Status; Automatic Extension of Employment Authorization Documentation for Salvadoran TPS Beneficiaries

**AGENCY:** U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of temporary protected status designation of El Salvador.

**SUMMARY:** This Notice announces that the designation of El Salvador for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) has been extended for 18 months to March 9, 2009, from its current expiration date of September 9, 2007. This Notice also sets forth procedures necessary for nationals of El Salvador (or aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in El Salvador) with TPS to re-register and to apply for an extension of their Employment Authorization Documents (EADs) for the additional 18-month period. Re-registration is limited to persons who have previously registered for TPS under the designation of El Salvador and whose application has been granted or remains pending. Certain nationals of El Salvador (or aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in El Salvador) who have not previously

applied for TPS may be eligible to apply under the late initial registration provisions.

Given the timeframes involved with processing TPS re-registrants, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) recognizes that re-registrants may not receive a new EAD until after their current EAD expires on September 9, 2007. Accordingly, this Notice automatically extends the validity of EADs issued under the TPS designation of El Salvador for 6 months, through March 9, 2008, and explains how TPS beneficiaries and their employers may determine which EADs are automatically extended. New EADs with the March 9, 2009 expiration date will be issued to eligible TPS beneficiaries who timely re-register and apply for an EAD.

**DATES:** The extension of the TPS designation of El Salvador is effective September 10, 2007, and will remain in effect until 11:59 p.m. on March 9, 2009. The 60-day re-registration period begins August 21, 2007, and will remain in effect until October 22, 2007. To facilitate processing of applications, applicants are strongly encouraged to file as soon as possible after the start of the 60-day re-registration period beginning on August 21, 2007.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shelly Hock, Status and Family Branch, Office of Service Center Operations, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., 2nd Floor, Washington, DC 20529, telephone (202) 272-1533. This is not a toll-free call. Further information will also be available at local USCIS offices upon publication of this Notice and on the USCIS Web site at <http://www.uscis.gov>. Note: the phone number provided here is solely for questions regarding this notice and the information contained herein. It is not for individual case status inquiries. Applicants seeking information about the status of their individual case can look up their case in Case Status Online available at the USCIS Web site listed above, or applicants may call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283 (TTY 1-800-767-1833).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Abbreviations and Terms Used in This Document

Act—Immigration and Nationality Act.  
ASC—USCIS Application Support Center.  
DHS—Department of Homeland Security.  
DOS—Department of State.  
EAD—Employment Authorization Document.

Secretary—Secretary of Homeland Security.

TPS—Temporary Protected Status.  
USCIS—U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

#### What authority does the Secretary of Homeland Security have to extend the designation of El Salvador for TPS?

Section 244(b)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (Act), 8 U.S.C. 1254a(b)(1), authorizes the Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary), after consultation with appropriate agencies of the Government, to designate a foreign state (or part thereof) for TPS. The Secretary may then grant TPS to eligible nationals of that foreign state (or aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in that state). 8 U.S.C. 1254a(a)(1)(A).

At least 60 days before the expiration of the TPS designation, or any extension thereof, the Secretary, after consultations with appropriate agencies of the Government, must review the conditions in a foreign state designated for TPS to determine whether the conditions for the TPS designation continue to be met and, if so, the length of an extension. 8 U.S.C. 1254a(b)(3)(A), (C). If the Secretary determines that the foreign state no longer meets the conditions for the TPS designation, he must terminate the designation. 8 U.S.C. 1254a(b)(3)(B).

#### Why did the Secretary decide to extend the TPS designation of El Salvador?

On March 19, 2001, the Attorney General published a Notice in the **Federal Register**, at 66 FR 14214, designating El Salvador for TPS due to the devastation caused by a series of severe earthquakes. Subsequent to that date, the Attorney General and the Secretary have extended TPS for El Salvador four times, determining in each instance that the conditions warranting the designation continued to be met. 67 FR 46000 (July 11, 2002); 68 FR 42071 (July 16, 2003); 70 FR 1450 (Jan. 7, 2005); 71 FR 34637 (June 15, 2006). The most recent extension became effective on September 9, 2006, and is due to expire on September 9, 2007.

On February 1, 2007, the Government of El Salvador requested an extension of the TPS designation of El Salvador. Over the past year, DHS and the Department of State (DOS) have continued to review conditions in El Salvador. Based on this review, the Secretary has concluded that an 18-month extension is warranted because there continues to be a substantial, but temporary, disruption in living conditions in El Salvador resulting from