

rules to mirror corresponding FINRA rules, because existing or planned BX rules make use of those numbers. However, wherever possible, BX plans to update its rules to reflect changes to corresponding FINRA rules.

This filing addresses BX Rule 2342, which sets forth requirements for providing information regarding the Securities Investor Protection Corporation ("SIPC") to customers, and which formerly corresponded to NASD 2342. In SR-FINRA-2009-016,<sup>4</sup> FINRA re-designated that rule as FINRA Rule 2266 with no material change. FINRA Rule 2266 requires members, with certain exceptions, to advise all new customers that they may obtain information about SIPC by contacting SIPC, and to provide SIPC's web site address and telephone numbers.

BX is adopting the new FINRA rule in full and is re-designating the rule as BX Rule 2266, to correspond to the new FINRA rule number.

## 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 6 of the Act,<sup>5</sup> in general, and with Sections 6(b)(5) of the Act,<sup>6</sup> in particular, in that the proposal is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest. The proposed changes will conform BX Rule 2342 to recent changes made to a corresponding FINRA rule, to promote application of consistent regulatory standards.

### *B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition*

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act, as amended.

### *C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others*

Written comments were neither solicited nor received.

### **III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action**

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not: (i) Significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>7</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.<sup>8</sup>

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

### **IV. Solicitation of Comments**

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

#### *Electronic Comments*

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an e-mail to [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-BX-2010-002 on the subject line.

#### *Paper Comments*

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-BX-2010-002. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent

amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal offices of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-BX-2010-002, and should be submitted on or before February 17, 2010.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>9</sup>

**Florence E. Harmon,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

[FR Doc. 2010-1605 Filed 1-26-10; 8:45 am]

**BILLING CODE 8011-01-P**

## **DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice 6294]

### **Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition Determinations: "An Uneasy Communion: Jews, Christians, and the Altarpieces of Medieval Aragon"**

**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 object to be included in the exhibition "An Uneasy Communion: Jews, Christians, and the Altarpieces of Medieval Aragon," imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, is of cultural significance. The object is imported pursuant to a loan agreement

<sup>4</sup> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 59987 (May 27, 2009), 74 FR 1069 [sic] (June 4, 2009) (SR-FINRA-2009-016).

<sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f.

<sup>6</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

<sup>7</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>8</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>9</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

with the foreign owner or custodian. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit object at the Museum of Biblical Art, New York, NY, from on or about February 19 until on or about May 30, 2010, and at possible additional exhibitions or 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 Carol B. Epstein, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: 202/632-6473). The address is U.S. Department of State, SA-5, L/PD, Fifth Floor, Washington, DC 20522-0505.

Dated: January 19, 2010.

**Maura M. Pally,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Professional and Cultural Exchanges, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.*

[FR Doc. 2010-1594 Filed 1-26-10; 8:45 am]

**BILLING CODE 4710-05-P**

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice Number 6867]

### U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy; Notice of Meeting

The U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy will hold a public meeting on February 11, 2010, in the conference room of the International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES), located at 1850 K Street, NW., Fifth Floor, Washington, DC 20006. The meeting will be held from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The Commissioners will discuss public diplomacy issues, including interagency collaboration in advancing U.S. government public diplomacy efforts.

The Advisory Commission was originally established under Section 604 of the United States Information and Exchange Act of 1948, as amended (22 U.S.C. 1469) and Section 8 of Reorganization Plan Numbered 2 of 1977. It was reauthorized pursuant to Public Law 111-70 (2009), 22 U.S.C. 6553.

The Advisory Commission is a bipartisan panel created by Congress to assess public diplomacy policies and programs of the U.S. government and publicly funded nongovernmental organizations. The Commission reports its findings and recommendations to the President, the Congress and the Secretary of State and the American people. Current Commission members

include William Hybl of Colorado, who serves as Chairman; Jay Snyder of New York; Penne Korth Peacock of Texas; Lyndon Olson of Texas; John Osborn of Pennsylvania; and Lezlee Westine of Virginia.

Seating at this meeting is limited. To attend and for more information, please contact Carl Chan at (202) 632-2823. E-mail: [chanck@state.gov](mailto:chanck@state.gov).

Dated: January 12, 2010.

**Carl Chan,**

*Executive Director, ACPD, Department of State.*

[FR Doc. 2010-1597 Filed 1-26-10; 8:45 am]

**BILLING CODE 4710-11-P**

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 6882]

### U.S. Department of State Advisory Committee on Private International Law: Organization of American States (OAS) Specialized Conference on Private International Law (CIDIP) Study Group

The OAS CIDIP Study Group will hold another public meeting to continue the discussion that began at the December 15, 2009 meeting and continued at the January 15, 2010 meeting. *This is not a meeting of the full Advisory Committee.*

In the context of the Seventh Inter-American Specialized Conference on Private International Law (CIDIP-VII), the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs (CJAP) of the Permanent Council of the OAS is carrying out work on consumer rights as part of its program on private international law. Three proposals have been put forward: A revised Brazilian draft convention on applicable law that has recently been expanded to include jurisdiction, a Canadian draft model law on applicable law and jurisdiction, and a United States proposal (with several components) for legislative guidelines/model laws/rules to promote consumer redress mechanisms such as small claims tribunals, collective procedures, on-line dispute resolution, and government actions. The U.S. is considering the possibility of expanding its existing proposal.

The United States is also considering whether to pursue ratification of the Inter-American Convention on the Law Applicable to International Contracts (known as the Mexico City Convention), which was adopted at the Fifth Inter-American Specialized Conference on Private International Law (CIDIP-V). The United States is exploring the process for obtaining official corrections

to the English text of the Convention to conform to the Spanish version. Copies of proposed corrections to the English text can be obtained through the contact points listed below. Other developments which may be relevant to work at the OAS include the proposal at UNCITRAL for future work on on-line dispute resolution and the establishment by the Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference on Private International Law of an experts group to consider development of a non-binding instrument on choice of law in international commercial contracts.

**Time and Place:** The public meeting of the Study Group will take place at the Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Room H-481, Washington, DC on February 1, 2010, from 1 p.m. EST to 3 p.m. EST. If you are unable to attend the public meeting and would like to participate from a remote location, teleconferencing will be available.

**Public Participation:** Advisory Committee Study Group meetings are open to the public. Persons wishing to attend must contact Trisha Smeltzer at [smeltzertk@state.gov](mailto:smeltzertk@state.gov) or 202-776-8423 and provide their name, e-mail address, and affiliation(s) if any. Please contact Ms. Smeltzer for additional meeting information, any of the documents referenced above, or dial-in information on the conference call. A member of the public needing reasonable accommodation should advise those same contacts not later than January 8th. Requests made after that date will be considered, but might not be able to be fulfilled. Persons who cannot attend or participate by conference call but who wish to comment on any of the topics referred to above are welcome to do so by e-mail to Michael Dennis at [DennisMJ@state.gov](mailto:DennisMJ@state.gov) or Hugh Stevenson at [hstevenson@ftc.gov](mailto:hstevenson@ftc.gov).

Dated: January 21, 2010.

**Michael Dennis,**

*Attorney-Adviser, Office of Private International Law, Office of the Legal Adviser, Department of State.*

[FR Doc. 2010-1596 Filed 1-26-10; 8:45 am]

**BILLING CODE 4710-08-P**

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 6885]

### Meeting of the Working group on Environmental Cooperation Pursuant to the United States-Morocco Joint Statement on Environmental Cooperation

**ACTION:** Notice.