serious injury rate (Allen and Angliss, 2010). MMPA section 118(b)(2) states that fisheries maintaining such mortality and serious injury levels are not required to further reduce their mortality and serious injury rates. Because the goals of TRPs are to reduce mortality and serious injury of marine mammals incidental to commercial fishing operations, no TRP is required for this stock. MMPA section 101(a)(5)(E) requires NMFS to publish in the **Federal Register** a list of fisheries that have been authorized to take threatened or endangered marine mammals. A list of such fisheries was published December 29, 2010 (75 FR 81972), which authorized the taking of certain threatened or endangered marine mammals incidental to commercial fishing. With issuance of this notice, NMFS adds 9 Category III fisheries (including CA set gill net, CA/OR/WA salmon troll, WA/OR/CA groundfish, bottomfish longline/set line, WA/OR North Pacific halibut longline/set line, CA halibut bottom trawl, WA/OR/CA shrimp trawl, WA/OR/CA groundfish trawl, CA coonstripe shrimp, rock crab, tanner crab pot or trap, and WA groundfish, bottomfish jig) to this list for the Eastern U.S. stock of Steller sea lions (Table 1).

TABLE 1—LIST OF FISHERIES AUTHORIZED TO TAKE THREATENED AND ENDANGERED MARINE MAMMALS INCIDENTAL TO			
FISHING OPERATIONS			

Fishery	Category	Marine mammal stock
HI deep-set (tuna target) longline/set line	I	Humpback whale, CNP stock.
Hi shallow-set (swordfish target) longline/set line	II	Humpback whale, CNP stock.
AK Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands flatfish trawl	II	Steller sea lion, Western stock.
AK Bering Sea/Aleutian Island pollock trawl	II	Fin whale, NEP stock; Steller sea lion, Western stock.
AK Bering Sea sablefish pot	II	Humpback whale, WNP stock; Humpback whale, CNP stock.
AK Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands Pacific cod longline fisheries	II	Steller sea lion, Western stock.
AK miscellaneous finfish set gillnet	III	Steller sea lion, Western stock.
AK Gulf of Alaska sablefish longline	III	Sperm whale, NP; Steller sea lion, Eastern stock.
AK halibut longline/set line (State and Federal waters)	111	Steller sea lion, Western stock.
AK Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands Atka mackerel trawl	111	Steller sea lion, Western stock.
AK Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands Pacific cod trawl	111	Steller sea lion, Western stock.
AK Gulf of Alaska Pacific cod trawl	111	Steller sea lion, Western stock.
AK Gulf of Alaska pollock trawl	111	Fin whale, NEP stock; Steller sea lion, Western stock.
CA set gill net	III	None documented.
CA/OR/WA salmon troll	111	None documented.
WA/OR/CA groundfish, bottomfish longline/set line	111	None documented.
WA/OR North Pacific halibut longline/set line	111	None documented.
CA halibut bottom trawl	111	None documented.
WA/OR/CA shrimp trawl	III	None documented.
WA/OR/CA groundfish trawl	III	Steller sea lion, Eastern stock.
CA coonstripe shrimp, rock crab, tanner crab pot or trap	III	None documented.
WA groundfish, bottomfish jig	III	None documented.

Dated: February 17, 2012. James H. Lecky, Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 2012–4513 Filed 2–24–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–P

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID DOD-2012-OS-0024]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A) (the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.) the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) announces the following proposed reinstatement of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on:

(a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden of the proposed information collection;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. DATES: Consideration will be given to all

comments received by April 27, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http:// www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

• *Mail:* Federal Docket Management System Office, 4800 Mark Center Drive,

East Tower, 2nd floor, Suite 02G09, Alexandria, VA 22350–3100.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at *http://www. regulations.gov* as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) (Military Community and Family Policy), ATTN: Mr. James M. Ellis, 4000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–4000 or call (703) 588–0877.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Control Number: Application for Discharge of Member or Survivor of Member of Group Certified to Have Performed Active Duty with the Armed Forces of the United States, DD Form 2168, OMB Control Number 0704–0100.

Needs and Uses: This information collection requirement is necessary to implement section 401 of Public Law 95-202 (codified at 38 U.S.C. 106 note), which directs the Secretary of Defense: (1) To determine if civilian employment or contractual service rendered to the Armed Forces of the United States by certain groups shall be considered Active Duty service, and (2) to award members of approved groups an appropriate certificate where the nature and duration of service so merits. This information is collected on DD Form 2168, "Application for Discharge of Member of Group Certified to have Performed Active Duty with the Armed Forces of the United States," which provides the necessary data to assist each of the Military Departments in determining if an applicant was a member of a group which has performed active military service. Those individuals who have been recognized as members of an approved group shall be eligible for benefits administered by the Veterans Administration.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 285 hours. Number of Respondents: 569. Responses per Respondent: 1. Average Burden per Response: .5 hours.

Frequency: On occasion. **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Summary of Information Collection

Section 401 of Public Law 95-202 (codified at 38 U.S.C. 106 note) authorized the Secretary of Defense: (1) To determine if civilian employment or contractual service rendered to the Armed Forces of the United States by certain groups shall be considered active duty service, and (2) to issue members of approved groups an appropriate certificate of service where the nature and duration of service so warrants. Such persons shall be eligible for benefits administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs. The information collected on DD Form 2168, "Application for Discharge of Member or Survivor of Member Group Certified To Have Performed Duty with the Armed Forces of the United States," is necessary to assist the Secretaries of the Military Departments in: (1) Determining if an applicant was a member of an approved group that performed civilian employment or contractual service for the U.S. Armed Forces and (2) to assist in issuing an appropriate certificate of service to the

applicant. Information provided by the applicant will include: the name of the group served with; dates and place of service; highest grade/rank/rating held during service; highest pay grade; military installation where ordered to report; specialty/job title(s). If the information requested on a DD Form 2168 is compatible with that of a corresponding approved group, and the applicant can provide supporting evidence, he or she will receive veteran's status in accordance with the provisions of DoD Directive 1000.20E. Information from the DD Form 2168 will be extracted and used to complete the DD Form 214, "Certificate for Release or Discharge from Active Duty."

Dated: February 22, 2012.

Aaron Siegel,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense. [FR Doc. 2012–4466 Filed 2–24–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 5001–06–P

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD). **ACTION:** Renewal of Federal Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, (5 U.S.C. Appendix), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b), and 41 CFR 102–3.50(d), the Department of Defense gives notice that it is renewing the charter for the Board of Advisors to the Presidents of the Naval Postgraduate School and the Naval War College (hereafter referred to as "the Board").

The Board of Advisors to the Presidents of the Naval Postgraduate School and the Naval War College, pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.50(d), is a discretionary Federal advisory committee established to provide the Secretary of the Navy through the Chief of Naval Operations and the Presidents of the Naval Postgraduate School and the Naval War College, advice and recommendations on items such as, but not limited to, organizational management, curricula, and methods of instructions, facilities, and other matters of interest.

The Secretary of the Navy may act upon the Board's advice and recommendations. The Board shall be comprised of no more than 10 members, who are eminent authorities in the fields of academia, business, national defense and security, the defense industry, and research and analysis. Not less than 50 percent of Board members shall be eminent authorities in the field of academia. Board members shall be appointed by the Secretary of Defense, with annual renewals.

The Board's Chairperson shall be elected by vote of the membership.

The Chief of Naval Personnel and the Commanding General, Training and Education Command, United States Marine Corps, shall serve as ex-officio members of the Board. Board members appointed by the Secretary of Defense, who are not full-time or permanent parttime Federal employees, shall be appointed to serve as experts and consultants under the authority of 5 U.S.C. 3109, and to serve as special government employees.

The Secretary of Defense may approve the appointment of Board members for one to four year terms of service; however, no member, unless authorized by the Secretary of Defense, may serve more than two consecutive terms of service. This same term of service limitation also applies to any DoD authorized subcommittees.

Regardless of the individual's approve term of service; all appointments to the Board shall be renewed on an annual basis. In addition, they shall serve without compensation, except for travel and per diem for official Board-related travel.

Each Board member is appointed to provide advice on behalf of the government on the basis of his or her best judgment without representing any particular point of view and in a manner that is free from conflict of interest.

The Department, when necessary, and consistent with the Board's mission and DoD policies and procedures, may establish subcommittees, task groups, or working groups deemed necessary to support the Board. Establishment of subcommittees will be based upon a written determination, to include terms of reference, by the Secretary of Defense, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, or the advisory committee's sponsor.

The Board shall establish two permanent subcommittees:

a. The Naval Postgraduate School subcommittee shall be comprised of no more than 15 members and shall focus on the Naval Postgraduate School. The Chief of Naval Personnel/Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Manpower, Personnel, Training and Education Command; the Commanding General USMC Training and Education Command; the Commandant Army War College; the Chief of Naval Research; the President of the National Defense University; and the President of the Air