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\*as defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

##### Bahrain—F-16 Follow-On Support

The Government of Bahrain has requested a possible sale of follow on support for Bahrain's existing F-16 fleet. Support will include support equipment, communications equipment, ammunition, personal training and training equipment, spare and repair parts, publications and technical documentation, Electronic Combat International Security Assistance Program, U.S. Government and contractor technical, logistics, and engineering support services, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated cost is \$150 million.

The proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping improve the security of a Major Non-NATO Ally, which has been and continues to be a key security partner in the region.

The follow-on support is required to maintain the operational readiness of the Royal Bahrain Air Force's (RBAF) F-16 fleet. The RBAF's F-16s are aging and periodic maintenance is becoming increasingly expensive. The age of the fleet, combined with an increased operational tempo due to recent involvement in Operation Inherent Resolve has led to increased focus on maintenance and sustainment. Bahrain will have no difficulty absorbing this additional support into its armed forces.

The principal contractor is unknown at this time. Contracts will be awarded when source of supply determines that defense articles and services are not available from stock or considered lead-time away. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. or contractor representatives in Bahrain.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Department of Defense Military Family Readiness Council; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense is publishing this notice to announce a Federal advisory committee meeting of the Department of Defense Military Family Readiness Council. This meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** Thursday, September 17, 2015, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Pentagon Conference Center B6 (escorts will be provided from the Pentagon Metro entrance).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Melody McDonald or Ms. Yuko Whitestone, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Military Community & Family Policy), 4800 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22350-2300, Room 3G15. Telephones (571) 372-0880; (571) 372-0881 and/or email: OSD Pentagon OUSD P-R Mailbox Family Readiness Council: [osd.pentagon.ousd-p-r.mbx.family-readiness-council@mail.mil](mailto:osd.pentagon.ousd-p-r.mbx.family-readiness-council@mail.mil)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.150. The purpose of the Council meeting is to review and make recommendations to the Secretary of Defense regarding policy and plans; monitor requirements for the support of military family readiness by the Department of Defense; evaluate and assess the effectiveness of the military family readiness programs and activities of the Department of Defense.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, this meeting is open to the public, subject to the availability of space. Persons desiring to attend may contact Ms. Melody McDonald at 571-372-0880 or email OSD Pentagon OUSD P-R Mailbox Family Readiness Council, [osd.pentagon.ousd-p-r.mbx.family-readiness-council@mail.mil](mailto:osd.pentagon.ousd-p-r.mbx.family-readiness-council@mail.mil), no later than 5:00 p.m., on Friday, September 11, 2015 to arrange for escort inside the Pentagon to the Conference Room area.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140, and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by

the Council. Persons desiring to submit a written statement to the Council must notify the point of contact listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section no later than 5:00 p.m., on Thursday, September 3, 2015.

The purpose of this meeting is to continue discussion of Military Family Readiness Council focus items for 2015.

#### Thursday, September 17, 2015 Meeting Agenda

Welcome & Administrative Remarks  
Review of 2014 Council Business  
Discussion of 2015 Military Family Readiness Issues  
Member Discussion and Deliberation on Council Recommendations  
Closing Remarks

**Note:** Exact order may vary.

Dated: August 11, 2015.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program, Scientific Advisory Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense is publishing this notice to announce an open meeting of the Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program, Scientific Advisory Board (SAB). This meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** Wednesday, September 9, 2015, from 8 a.m. to 4:55 p.m. and Thursday, September 10, 2015, from 9 a.m. to 4:55 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** 901 N. Stuart Street, Suite 200, Arlington, VA 22203.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Anne Andrews, SERDP Office, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 17D08, Alexandria, VA 22350-3605; or by telephone at (571) 372-6565.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.150. This notice is published in accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory

Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463). Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is on a first-come basis.

The purpose of the September 9–10, 2015 meeting is to review new start research and development projects requesting Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program funds as required by the SERDP Statute,

U.S. Code Title 10, Subtitle A, Part IV, Chapter 172, § 2904. The full agenda follows:

**Agenda for September 9, 2015**

8 a.m.	Convene/Opening Remarks .....	Dr. Joseph Hughes, Chair.
8:10 a.m.	Program Update .....	Dr. Anne Andrews, Acting Executive Director.
8:25 a.m.	Resource Conservation and Climate Change Overview .....	Dr. John Hall, Resource Conservation and Climate Change, Program Manager.
8:35 a.m.	16 RC01–012 (RC–2634): Effects of Climate Change on Plague Exposure Pathways and Resulting Disease Dynamics (FY16 New Start).	Dr. Tonie Rocke, USGS National Wildlife Health Center, Madison, WI.
9:20 a.m.	16 RC01–020 (RC–2635): Leptospirosis in Endangered Island Foxes and California Sea Lions: Outbreak Prediction and Prevention in a Changing World (FY16 New Start).	Dr. James Lloyd-Smith, University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA.
10:05 a.m.	Break	
10:20 a.m.	16 RC01–027 (RC–2636): Climate Changes Impacts on Fire Regimes, Plant Invasions, and Tick-Borne Diseases (FY16 New Start).	Dr. Brian Allan, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL.
11:05 a.m.	16 RC01–031 (RC–2637): Understanding Climatic Controls of Blacklegged Ticks and Lyme Disease: Experiments and Models to Quantify Risk in a Changing Climate (FY16 New Start).	Dr. Richard Ostfeld, Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies, Millbrook, NY.
11:50 a.m.	Lunch	
12:50 p.m.	16 RC01–044 (RC–2638): Effects of Climate on Host-Pathogen Interactions in Chytridiomycosis (FY16 New Start).	Dr. Corinne Richards-Zawacki, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA.
1:35 p.m.	16 RC01–045 (RC–2639): The Role of Phenology and Phenology Change in the Transmission of Arthropod-Borne Diseases: Implications for Management on Military Lands (FY16 New Start).	Dr. Sharon Bewick, University of Maryland, College Park, College Park, MD.
2:20 p.m.	Break	
2:35 p.m.	Resource Conservation and Climate Change Overview .....	Dr. John Hall, Resource Conservation and Climate Change, Program Manager.
2:45 p.m.	16 RC03–001 (RC–2644): Advancing Best Practices for the Analysis of the Vulnerability of Military Installations in the Pacific Basin to Coastal Flooding Under a Changing Climate (FY16 New Start).	Dr. John Marra, NOAA NESDIS NCEI, Honolulu, HI.
3:30 p.m.	Resource Conservation and Climate Change Overview .....	Dr. John Hall, Resource Conservation and Climate Change, Program Manager.
3:40 p.m.	15 RC02–034 (RC–2546): Next-Generation Intensity-Duration-Frequency Curves Considering Spatiotemporal Non-Stationarity in Climate, Intense Precipitation Events, and Snowmelt (FY15 New Start).	Dr. Mark Wigmosta, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, WA.
4:25 p.m.	Strategy Session .....	Dr. Anne Andrews, Acting Executive Director.
4:40 p.m.	Update From SERDP Climate Change Program Review and NOAA Partnership Meeting ..	SAB Members.
4:55 p.m.	Public Discussion/Adjourn for the day	

**Agenda for September 10, 2015**

9 a.m.	Convene/Opening Remarks .....	Dr. Joseph Hughes, Chair.
9:10 a.m.	Environmental Restoration Overview .....	Dr. Andrea Leeson, Environmental Restoration, Program Manager.
9:20 a.m.	16 ER01–006 (ER–2617): Measuring and Predicting the Natural and Enhanced Rate and Capacity of Abiotic Reduction of Munition Constituents (FY16 New Start).	Dr. Pei Chiu, University of Delaware, Newark, DE.
10:05 a.m.	16 ER01–010 (ER–2618): Compound Specific Isotope Analysis of Mineral-Mediated Abiotic Reduction of Nitro Compounds (FY16 New Start).	Dr. William Arnold, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN.
10:50 a.m.	Break	
11:05 a.m.	16 ER01–018 (ER–2619): Characterization of Enhanced Subsurface Abiotic Reactivity With Electrical Resistivity Tomography/Induced Polarization (FY16 New Start).	Dr. Jim Szecsody, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, WA.
11:50 a.m.	Lunch	
12:20 p.m.	16 ER01–020 (ER–2620): Emerging Core Concepts for Assessment and Enhancement of Abiotic Natural Attenuation of Groundwater Contaminants (FY16 New Start).	Dr. Paul Tratnyek, Oregon Health & Science University, Portland, OR.
1:05 p.m.	16 ER01–029 (ER–2622): Abiotic Transformation of Chloroethenes in Low Permeability Formations (FY16 New Start).	Dr. David Freedman, Clemson University, Clemson, SC.
1:50 p.m.	Break	
2:05 p.m.	16 ER01–027 (ER–2621): Field Assessment of Abiotic Attenuation Rates Using Chemical Reactivity Probes and Cryogenic Core Collection (FY16 New Start).	Dr. Richard Johnson, OHSU, Portland, OR.
2:50 p.m.	Weapons Systems and Platforms Overview .....	Dr. Robin Nissan, Weapons Systems and Platforms, Program Manager.
3 p.m.	16 WP01–004 (WP–2600): Acoustic and Flowfield Measurements for a Military Tactical Aircraft Afterburning Turbofan Engine (FY16 New Start).	Mr. Jason Kiiskila, GE Aviation, Cincinnati, OH.

3:45 p.m.	Break	
4 p.m.	Weapons Systems and Platforms Overview .....	Dr. Robin Nissan, Weapons Systems and Platforms, Program Manager.
4:10 p.m.	16 WP03-002 (WP-2604): Alternative Mixing Technology for Environmentally Friendly Plastic Bonded Explosive Formulations (FY16 New Start).	Dr. Eric Beckel, U.S. Army ARDEC, Picatinny Arsenal, NJ.
4:55 p.m.	Public Discussion/Adjourn	

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.140, and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program, Scientific Advisory Board. Written statements may be submitted to the committee at any time or in response to an approved meeting agenda.

All written statements shall be submitted to the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) for the Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program, Scientific Advisory Board. The DFO will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration. Contact information for the DFO can be obtained from the GSA's FACA Database at <http://>

[www.facadatabase.gov/](http://www.facadatabase.gov/). Time is allotted at the close of each meeting day for the public to make comments. Oral comments are limited to 5 minutes per person.

Dated: August 11, 2015.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 15-53]

### 36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

**AGENCY:** Defense Security Cooperation Agency, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of a section 36(b)(1) arms sales notification. This is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104-164 dated July 21, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Sarah A. Ragan or Heather N. Harwell, DSCA/LMO, (703) 604-1546/(703) 607-5339.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 15-53 with attached Policy Justification and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: August 11, 2015.

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