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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

TIME AND DATE: Wednesday,
 January 18, 2017; 10:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

PLACE: Hearing Room 420, Bethesda
 Towers, 4330 East West Highway,
 Bethesda, Maryland.

STATUS: Closed to the Public.

Matter To Be Considered: Compliance
 Matters: The Commission staff will brief
 the Commission on the status of various
 compliance matters.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Todd A. Stevenson, Office of the
 Secretary, U.S. Consumer Product
 Safety Commission, 4330 East West
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Dated: January 10, 2017.

Todd A Stevenson,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Applications for New Awards; Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship Program

AGENCY: Office of Postsecondary
 Education, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

Overview Information:

Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation
 Research Abroad (DDRA) Fellowship
 Program Notice inviting applications for
 new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2017.

*Catalog of Federal Domestic
 Assistance (CFDA) Number:* 84.022A.

DATES: *Applications Available:* January
 13, 2017.

*Deadline for Transmittal of
 Applications:* March 14, 2017.

Full Text of Announcement

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Purpose of Program: The Fulbright-
 Hays DDRA Fellowship Program
 provides opportunities to doctoral
 candidates to engage in full-time
 dissertation research abroad in modern
 foreign languages and area studies. The
 program is designed to contribute to the
 development and improvement of the
 study of modern foreign languages and
 area studies in the United States.

Priorities: This notice contains one
 absolute priority, two competitive
 preference priorities, and one
 invitational priority. In accordance with
 34 CFR 75.105(b)(2)(ii), the absolute and
 competitive preference priorities are
 from the regulations for this program (34
 CFR 662.21(d)).

Absolute Priority: For FY 2017, this
 priority is an absolute priority. Under 34
 CFR 75.105(c)(3), we consider only
 applications that meet this priority.

This priority is:

*Specific Geographic Regions of the
 World.*

A research project that focuses on one
 or more of the following geographic
 areas: Africa, East Asia, Southeast Asia
 and the Pacific Islands, South Asia, the
 Near East, Central and Eastern Europe
 and Eurasia, and the Western
 Hemisphere (excluding the United
 States and its territories). Please note
 that applications that propose projects
 focused on the following countries are
 not eligible: Andorra, Austria, Belgium,
 Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France,
 Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy,
 Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta,
 Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal,
 San Marino, Spain, Sweden,
 Switzerland, United Kingdom, or
 Vatican City.

Competitive Preference Priorities:

Within this absolute priority, we give
 competitive preference to applications
 that address one or both of the following
 priorities.

Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(2)(i), for FY
 2017, we award an additional three
 points to an application that meets
 Competitive Preference Priority 1 and
 two points for an application that meets
 Competitive Preference Priority 2 (up to
 5 additional points possible).

These priorities are:

**Competitive Preference Priority 1:
 Focus on Priority Languages (3 points).**

A research project that makes use of
 any of the 78 priority languages selected
 from the U.S. Department of Education's
 list of Less Commonly Taught
 Languages, as follows:

Akan (Twi-Fante), Albanian,
 Amharic, Arabic (all dialects),
 Armenian, Azeri (Azerbaijani), Balochi,

Bamanakan (Bamana, Bambara,
 Mandikan, Mandingo, Maninka, Dyula),
 Belarusian, Bengali (Bangla), Berber (all
 languages), Bosnian, Bulgarian,
 Burmese, Cebuano (Visayan), Chechen,
 Chinese (Cantonese), Chinese (Gan),
 Chinese (Mandarin), Chinese (Min),
 Chinese (Wu), Croatian, Dari, Dinka,
 Georgian, Gujarati, Hausa, Hebrew
 (Modern), Hindi, Igbo, Indonesian,
 Japanese, Javanese, Kannada, Kashmiri,
 Kazakh, Khmer (Cambodian), Kirghiz,
 Korean, Kurdish (Kurmanji), Kurdish
 (Sorani), Lao, Malay (Bahasa Melayu or
 Malaysian), Malayalam, Marathi,
 Mongolian, Nepali, Oromo, Panjabi,
 Pashto, Persian (Farsi), Polish,
 Portuguese (all varieties), Quechua,
 Romanian, Russian, Serbian, Sinhala
 (Sinhalese), Somali, Swahili, Tagalog,
 Tajik, Tamil, Telugu, Thai, Tibetan,
 Tigrigna, Turkish, Turkmen, Ukrainian,
 Urdu, Uyghur/Uigur, Uzbek,
 Vietnamese, Wolof, Xhosa, Yoruba, and
 Zulu.

**Competitive Preference Priority 2:
 Thematic Focus on Academic Fields (2
 points).**

A research project conducted in the
 field of economics, engineering,
 international development,
 mathematics, political science, public
 health, science, comparative or
 international education, or technology.

Invitational Priority: For FY 2017, this
 priority is an invitational priority.
 Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(1), we do not
 give an application that meets this
 invitational priority a competitive or
 absolute preference over other
 applications.

This priority is:

*Applications from Minority-Serving
 Institutions.* For purposes of this
 invitational priority, Minority-Serving
 Institution means an institution that is
 eligible to receive assistance under part
 A of title III, under part B of title III, or
 under title V of the Higher Education
 Act of 1965, as amended.

Program Authority: 22 U.S.C.
 2452(b)(6).

Applicable Regulations: (a) The
 Education Department General
 Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in
 34 CFR parts 75, 77, 81, 82, 84, 86, 97,
 98, and 99. (b) The OMB Guidelines to
 Agencies on Governmentwide
 Debarment and Suspension
 (Nonprocurement) in 2 CFR part 180, as
 adopted and amended as regulations of
 the Department in 2 CFR part 3485. (c)
 The Uniform Administrative
 Requirements, Cost Principles, and
 Audit Requirements for Federal Awards
 in 2 CFR part 200, as adopted and
 amended as regulations of the
 Department in 2 CFR part 3474. (d) The