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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—National Armaments Consortium

Notice is hereby given that, on January 31, 2018, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* (“the Act”), National Armaments Consortium (“NAC”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act’s provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances.

Specifically, AF Technologies, Inc., Arlington, TX; Agile Global Solutions LLC, Denver, NC; Airtronic USA, Inc., Spring Branch, TX; Arconic Defense Inc., New Kensington, PA; Arizona Engineering Technologies LLC, Scottsdale, AZ; ASR Corporation, Albuquerque, NM; Cintel, Inc., Huntsville, AL; Continuum Dynamics, Inc., Ewing, NJ; Decisive Analytics Corporation, Arlington, VA; Earthly Dynamics LLC, Atlanta, GA; HBM nCode Federal, LLC, Southfield, MI; Ideal Innovations Incorporated, Arlington, VA; Innoveering LLC, Ronkonkoma, NY; Kennley Corporation, North Chesterfield, VA; LogiCare, Inc., Huntsville, AL; nMeta, LLC, New Orleans, LA; Synthio Chemicals, LLC, Boulder, CO; Ultra Electronics Ocean Systems Inc., Braintree, MA; Vista Outdoor Sales LLC, Anoka, MN; Voxtel, Inc., Beaverton, OR; and WINTEC, Incorporated, Shalimar, FL, have been added as parties to this venture.

Also, Advanced Design Consulting USA, Inc., Lansing, NY; Decision Sciences, Inc., Fort Walton Beach, FL; Enable Tech MFG, LLC, Houston, TX; Evigia Systems, Inc., Ann Arbor, MI; Excet, Inc., Springfield, VA; Grey Castle Group, LLC, Charlotte, NC; Gunwright Technologies LLC, Gilbert, AZ; Infoscitex Corporation, Waltham, MA; ManTech Advanced Systems International, Inc., Fairfax, VA;

MILSPRAY, LLC, Lakewood, NJ; PolyCase Ammunition, LLC, Savannah, GA; Polymer Aging Concepts, Inc., Dahlonega, GA; R2C Support Services, Huntsville, AL; Schafer Aerospace, Inc., Albuquerque, NM; Technical Professional Services, Inc., Wayland, MI; The Regents of the University of California, Irvine, CA; and Transparent Armor Solutions, Inc., Santa Ana, CA, have withdrawn as parties to this venture.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and NAC intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On May 2, 2000, NAC filed its original notification pursuant to Section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section (b) of the Act on June 30, 2000 (65 FR 40693).

The last notification was filed with the Department on October 24, 2017. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on November 16, 2017 (82 FR 53526).

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—The Open Group, L.L.C.

Notice is hereby given that, on February 8, 2018, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* (“the Act”), The Open Group, L.L.C. (“TOG”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act’s provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Specifically, Annapolis Micro Systems, Inc., Annapolis, MD; Avilution, L.L.C., Madison, AL; Avistar Consulting Ltd., Calgary, CANADA; Behlman Electronics, Inc., Hauppauge, NY; CPLANE Networks, Inc., San Carlos, CA; Dreamsoft, Inc., Del Mar, CA; E.I. duPont de Nemours and Company,

Wilmington, DE; Government of Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada, INDIA; Herrick Technology Laboratories, Inc., Germantown, MD; KEYW Corporation, Hanover, MD; KnowNXT, L.L.C., Dubai, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES; Kontron America, Inc., San Diego, CA; Leidos, Inc., Albuquerque, NM; Micro Focus International Plc., Berkshire, UNITED KINGDOM; New Paradigm, L.L.C., Pittsburgh, PA; SABIC ATC Manufacturing, Riyadh, SAUDI ARABIA; Spectranetix, Inc., Sunnyvale, CA; Statoil ASA, Stavanger, NORWAY; T-E-A-M Consulting, Ltd., Auckland, NEW ZEALAND; U.S. Army RDECOM CERDEC Intelligence and Information Warfare Directorate, Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD; and University of St. Thomas Graduate Programs in Software, St. Paul, MN, have been added as parties to this venture.

Also, 24 Learning Beijing Hua Fang Ji Ye Technology Co., Ltd., Beijing, PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA; ARCHIT v/Lise Gerd Pedersen, Valby, DENMARK; Azeemi Technologies, Riyadh, SAUDI ARABIA; Cirrus Link Solutions, L.L.C., Spring Hill, KS; Combitech AS, Lysaker, NORWAY; CSC, Waltham, MA; Deputy Undersecretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology (DUSD A&T), Arlington, VA; Equinox IT, Wellington, NEW ZEALAND; Front Metrics Technologies Pvt. Ltd., Pune, INDIA; Institute for Information Industry, Taipei, TAIWAN; Kaman Precision Products, Middletown, CT; Knowledgecom Corporation Sdn. Bhd., Petaling Jaya, MALAYSIA; McLeod Consultancy Pty. Ltd., Canberra, AUSTRALIA; NxGN Pty. Ltd., Johannesburg, SOUTH AFRICA; nxtControl GmbH, Leobersdorf, AUSTRIA; and Origin Energy, Sydney, AUSTRALIA, have withdrawn as parties to this venture.

In addition, Prism Tech has changed its name to Ampro ADLINK Technology, Inc., Woburn, MA.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and TOG intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On April 21, 1997, TOG filed its original notification pursuant to Section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on June 13, 1997 (62 FR 32371).

The last notification was filed with the Department on October 26, 2017. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the

Act on November 16, 2017 (82 FR 53525).

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Node.js Foundation

Notice is hereby given that, on January 25, 2018, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* (“the Act”), Node.js Foundation (“Node.js Foundation”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act’s provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Specifically, Datreeio Ltd., Tel Aviv, ISRAEL, has been added as a party to this venture.

Also, Codefresh, Inc., Palo Alto, CA, has withdrawn as a party to this venture.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and Node.js Foundation intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On August 17, 2015, Node.js Foundation filed its original notification pursuant to Section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on September 28, 2015 (80 FR 58297).

The last notification was filed with the Department on October 26, 2017. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on November 16, 2017 (82 FR 53527).

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Request for Information—National Space Weather Action Plan; Extension of Comment Period

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notification of extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation published a notice on January 5, 2018, seeking inputs from the public on establishing space weather research priorities to address Action 5.5.1 in the National Space Weather Action Plan. The original comment date was to end on March 6, 2018.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice will now be accepted through April 6, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments on the on space weather research priorities may be submitted in writing through April 6, 2018 to [spwxrfi@nsf.gov](mailto:spwxrfi@nsf.gov). See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for comment guidelines.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Contact Michael Wiltberger at (703) 292-8519, or email to [spwxrfi@nsf.gov](mailto:spwxrfi@nsf.gov) for further information. Any requests for clarification must be received no later than seven (7) days prior to the close of this RFI in order receive a timely response.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. Background Information**

On October 29, 2015, the White House OSTP released the National Space Weather Strategy (NSWS) and Space Weather Action Plan (SWAP). The NSWS identifies several key goals in specific areas of space weather research and operations to make the national critical infrastructure and technologies resilient to space weather events. The NSWS also calls for improving national space-weather services through advancing fundamental understanding of the underlying physical processes and their forecasting. The SWAP document, which accompanied NSWS, specifies actions to develop and continually improve predictive models through enhanced fundamental understanding of space weather and its drivers. In particular, the SWAP Action 5.5.1 directed NSF, NASA, DOC and DOD with documenting priorities for research and development (R&D) efforts to enhance the fundamental understanding of space weather and its drivers and to improve space weather forecasting capabilities.

*Action 5.5.1: NSF and NASA, in collaboration with DOC and DOD, will lead an annual effort to prioritize and identify opportunities for research and development*

*(R&D) to enhance the understanding of space weather and its sources. These activities will be coordinated with existing National-level and scientific studies. This effort will include modeling, developing, and testing models of the coupled sun-Earth system and quantifying the long- and short-term variability of space weather.*

Forecasting space weather depends on understanding the fundamental processes that give rise to hazardous events. Continued support for basic research in solar and space physics is essential to achieve the level of understanding required for accurate predictions. Particularly important is the study of processes that link the Sun-Earth system and that control the flow of energy within the coupled system.

Space weather science as a discipline is still in its nascent phase. There exist significant gaps in the fundamental understanding of many physical processes and coupling mechanisms underpinning various space weather phenomena. This poses a major limiting factor for improving space weather prediction, including some of the most important and immediate operational needs. It is, therefore, essential to continue untargeted investments in basic research into areas that in unforeseeable ways can lead to a better understanding of the physical processes that drive space weather.

High priority space weather research topics and linkages to the SWAP Benchmarks (Goal 1) were assessed by the 5.5.1 interagency working group. The SWAP benchmarks are a set of physical characteristics and conditions against which a space-weather event can be measured. They describe the nature and intensity of extreme space-weather events, providing a point of reference from which to improve understanding of space-weather effects. Addressing research that would advance our physical understanding of the phenomenology behind these benchmarks will ultimately improve our predictive capability necessary for operational advancements.

##### **II. Purpose**

Successful execution of Action 5.5.1 requires definitions of research priorities in the context of benchmarks identified by NSWS Goal 1. An interagency working group developed the first set of priorities in fulfillment of this task. To ensure that an optimal list of priorities is generated, which could benefit all interested parties including Federal agencies, state and local governments, universities, policy groups, and the private sector, the broader community must weigh in. This RFI requests public comments to SWAP