

Based on the description of the specified activity, the measures described to minimize adverse effects on the availability of marine mammals for subsistence purposes, and the mitigation and monitoring measures, NMFS has determined that there will not be an unmitigable adverse impact on subsistence uses from CBS's planned activities.

National Environmental Policy Act

To comply with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA; 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and NOAA Administrative Order (NAO) 216-6A, NMFS must review our proposed action (*i.e.*, the issuance of an incidental harassment authorization) with respect to potential impacts on the human environment.

This action is consistent with categories of activities identified in Categorical Exclusion B4 (incidental harassment authorizations with no anticipated serious injury or mortality) of the Companion Manual for NOAA Administrative Order 216-6A, which do not individually or cumulatively have the potential for significant impacts on the quality of the human environment and for which we have not identified any extraordinary circumstances that would preclude this categorical exclusion. Accordingly, NMFS has determined that the issuance of the IHA qualifies to be categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

Endangered Species Act (ESA)

Section 7(a)(2) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) requires that each Federal agency insure that any action it authorizes, funds, or carries out is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any endangered or threatened species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of designated critical habitat. To ensure ESA compliance for the issuance of IHAs, NMFS consults internally, in this case with NMFS' Alaska Regional Office, whenever we propose to authorize take for endangered or threatened species.

NMFS is authorizing take of two DPSs (*i.e.*, western DPS of Steller sea lions and Mexico DPS of humpback whales), which are listed under the ESA. The NMFS Alaska Regional Office issued a Biological Opinion in May 2019, under Section 7 of the ESA, on the issuance of an IHA to CBS under section 101(a)(5)(D) of the MMPA by the NMFS Office of Protected Resources. The Biological Opinion concluded that the proposed action is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of

western DPS Steller sea lions or Mexico DPS of humpback whales, and is not likely to destroy or adversely modify western DPS Steller sea lion critical habitat.

Authorization

NMFS has issued an IHA to CBS for the incidental take of marine mammals due to in-water construction work associated with the O'Connell Bridge Lightering Float Pile Replacement project in Sitka, Alaska from June 1, 2019 through May 31, 2020, provided the previously mentioned mitigation, monitoring, and reporting requirements are incorporated.

Dated: May 23, 2019.

Shannon Bettridge,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Department of the Air Force

U.S. Air Force Scientific Advisory Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Department of the Air Force, U.S. Air Force Scientific Advisory Board.

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the U.S. Air Force Scientific Advisory Board will take place.

DATES: Closed to the public Thursday June 13, 2019 from 8:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. (PT).

ADDRESSES: The address of the closed meeting is the Arnold and Mabel Beckman Center of the National Academies of Sciences and Engineering, 100 Academy Way, Irvine, CA 92617.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Evan Buschmann, (240) 612-5503 (Voice), 703-693-5643 (Facsimile), evan.g.buschmann.civ@us.af.mil (Email). Mailing address is 1500 West Perimeter Road, Ste. #3300, Joint Base Andrews, MD 20762. Website: <http://www.sab.af.mil/>. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda can be found on the website.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) 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 102-3.140 and 102-3.150. Due to circumstances beyond the control of the Department of Defense (DoD) and the Designated Federal Officer, the U.S. Air Force Scientific Advisory Board was unable to provide public notification required by 41 CFR 102-3.150(a) concerning its June 13, 2019 meeting of the U.S. Air Force Scientific Advisory Board. Accordingly, the Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.150(b), waives the 15-calendar day notification requirement.

Purpose of the Meeting: The purpose of this quarterly board meeting is to formally complete, outbrief, and receive majority approval for the content and recommendations contained in the United States Air Force Scientific Advisory Board Fiscal Year 2019 Studies.

Agenda: 0845-0900 Welcoming Remarks & Quarterly Update, Dr. James Chow, Chair US Air Force Scientific Advisory Board, 0900-0930 FY20 S&T Review Program Update, Dr. Lara Schmidt, S&T Reviews Chair, 0930-1045 21st Century Training and Education Technologies (TET)—Outbrief, Dr. Mica Endsley, Study Chair, 1045-1200 Fidelity of Modeling, Simulation and Analysis to Support Air Force Decision Making (MSA)—Outbrief, Dr. Darcy McGinn, Study Chair, 1200-1300 Lunch Break, 1300-1415 Multi-Source Data Fusion for Target Location and Identification (DFT)—Outbrief, Dr. Patrick Stadter, Study Chair, 1415-1530 FY20 Study Topic Terms of Reference Discussion, Dr. James Chow, Chair US Air Force Scientific Advisory Board 1530-1545 Closing Comments, Dr. James Chow, Chair US Air Force Scientific Advisory Board.

Meeting Accessibility:

Written Statements: Any member of the public that wishes to provide input on the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board Summer Meeting must contact the meeting organizer at the phone number or email address listed in this announcement at least five working days prior to the meeting date. Please ensure that you submit your written statement in accordance with 41 CFR 102-3.140(c) and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Statements being submitted in response to the agenda mentioned in this notice must be received by the Scientific Advisory Board meeting organizer at least five calendar days prior to the meeting commencement date. The Scientific Advisory Board meeting

organizer will review all timely submissions and respond to them prior to the start of the meeting identified in this notice. Written statements received after this date may not be considered by the Scientific Advisory Board until the next scheduled meeting.

Carlinda N. Lotson,

Acting Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 19-27]

Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Arms sales notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of an arms sales notification.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karma Job at karma.d.job.civ@mail.mil or (703) 697-8976.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This 36(b)(1) arms sales notification is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104-164 dated July 21, 1996. The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 19-27 with attached Policy Justification and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: June 7, 2019.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House
U.S. House of Representatives
H-209, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Madam Speaker:

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 19-27, concerning the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Belgium for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$600 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Hooper
Lieutenant General USA
Director

Enclosures:

1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification
3. Sensitivity of Technology