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DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by September 9, 2024.

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: Department of Defense, Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency, Regulatory Directorate, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Mailbox #24, Suite 08D09, Alexandria, VA 22350–1700.

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 National Defense University, 300 5th Ave. SW, Building 64, Room 314Z, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, DC 20319, Monica Owczarzak (NDU Privacy Officer), 202–685–9464.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: NDU Security In-Process Form and National Background Investigation Services (NBIS) eApp Nomination Tier One Background Investigation Form; OMB Control Number 0704–0622.

Needs and Uses: This collection is used to properly verify an NDU employee's identity for the purpose of verifying their security clearance and need to know for their intended role at NDU. These collections also initiate minimum background investigations to meet (Homeland Security Presidential Directive 12 requirements for purposes of issuing a Common Access Card and NDU badge.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

NDU Security In-Process Form

Annual Burden Hours: 27.08.
Number of Respondents: 125.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 125.
Average Burden per Response: 13 minutes.

NDU NBIS eApp Nomination Tier One Background Investigation Form

Annual Burden Hours: 16.67.
Number of Respondents: 100.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 100.

Total

Annual Burden Hours: 44.
Number of Respondents: 225.
Annual Responses: 225.
Average Burden per Response: 11.73 minutes.
Frequency: Annually.

Dated: July 2, 2024.

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Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DoD–2024–OS–0078]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (OUSD(P&R)), Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 60-Day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the OUSD(P&R) announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: 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; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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.

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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 Deputy Director Health and Resilience, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 06E22, Alexandria VA 22350–4000, Lisa Davis, 703–338–8926.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Workplace and Gender Relations Survey of DoD Civilians; OMB Control Number 0704–0614.

Needs and Uses: The legal requirements for the Workplace and Gender Relations Survey of DoD Civilians (WGRC) surveys can be found in the found in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015, section 1073, and 10 United States Code (U.S.C.), sections 481a, 136, and 2358. These legal requirements mandate that the WGRC solicit information on gender issues, including issues relating to sexual assault, sexual harassment, and gender discrimination in the DoD civilian employee workplace, as well as the climate in the Department for forming professional relationships between male and female employees. They also give the Department authority to conduct such surveys under the guidance of the USD(P&R).

The Office of People Analytics (OPA) administers both web-based and paper-and-pen surveys to support the personnel information needs of the USD(P&R). The WGRC survey expands a series of surveys that began in 1988 with military personnel to DoD civilian employees. OPA conducted Joint Service gender issues surveys of active-duty members in 1988, 1995, 2002, 2006, 2010, 2012, 2016, 2018, 2021, and 2023 and of Reserve component members in 2004, 2008, 2012, 2015, 2017, 2019, 2021, and 2023. This is the fourth iteration of WGRC surveys with DoD civilian employees, with the first iteration occurring in 2016, the second

administration in 2018, and the third administration in 2021. The WGRC survey is voluntary and legislatively required to be conducted every two years.

Information from the WGR surveys will be used by DoD policy offices and the Military Departments for program evaluation and, specifically, to assess and improve personnel policies, programs, practices, and training related to gender relations in the DoD civilian workplace. OPA will provide reports to DoD policy offices, each Military Department, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 67,500.

Number of Respondents: 135,000.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 135,000.

Average Burden per Response: 30 minutes.

Frequency: Biennially.

Dated: July 2, 2024.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Innovation Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering (USD(R&E)), Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The DoD is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Defense Innovation Board (DIB) will take place.

DATES: Open to the public Wednesday, July 17th, 2024, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time (EDST). Closed to the public Wednesday, July 17th, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. EDST.

ADDRESSES: The open and closed portions of the DIB public meeting on July 17th, 2024 will take place at the Pentagon in Washington, DC. The open portion will be accessible to the public virtually, via the Defense Visual Information Distribution Service (DVIDS).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Marina Theodotou, the DIB Designated

Federal Officer (DFO) at (571) 372-7344 (voice) or marina.theodotou.civ@mail.mil. Mailing address is Defense Innovation Board, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 15D08, Alexandria, VA 22350-3600. Website: <https://innovation.defense.gov>. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda and link to the virtual meeting can be found on the website.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is being held under the provisions of chapter 10 of title 5, United States Code (U.S.C.) (commonly known as the “Federal Advisory Committee Act” or “FACA”); 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 102-3.140 and 102-3.150.

Due to circumstances beyond the control of the DFO and the DoD, the DIB was unable to provide public notification required by 41 CFR 102-3.150(a) concerning its July 17, 2024 meeting. Accordingly, the Advisory Committee Management Officer for the DoD, pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.150(b), waives the 15-calendar day notification requirement.

Purpose of Meeting: The mission of the DIB is to provide the Secretary of Defense (SecDef), the Deputy Secretary of Defense (DepSecDef), and the USD(R&E) independent advice and strategic insights on emerging and disruptive technologies and their impact on national security, adoption of commercial sector innovation best practices, and ways to leverage the U.S. innovation ecosystem to align structures, processes, and human capital practices to accelerate and scale innovation adoption, foster a culture of innovation and an experimentation mindset, and enable the DoD to build enduring advantages. The DIB focuses on innovation-related issues and topics raised by the SecDef, the DepSecDef, or the USD(R&E). The objective of this DIB meeting is to hear perspectives from invited speakers, announce to the public the key recommendations resulting from the current studies, and vote on the advice and recommendations to give to the Department. Additionally, the DIB Chair and members will announce the two new studies being undertaken in the continued efforts to advise the SecDef, DepSecDef, and USD(R&E) on scaling innovation.

Agenda: The DIB’s open portion of the meeting will take place on July 17th, 2024, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The DIB DFO, Dr. Marina Theodotou, will open the meeting and introduce the DIB Chair, Michael Bloomberg for his welcome and opening remarks. The DIB will present on current studies, discuss

relevant innovation topics through conversation and insights from guest speakers, and vote on current studies and recommendations. Guest speakers have been confirmed to provide insights on current studies, as follows:

“Aligning Incentives to Drive Faster Tech Adoption”—A study focusing on how to ensure the workforce is incentivized to innovate and drive faster tech adoption to provide capabilities to the warfighter.

Alexis Bonnell, Chief Information Officer and Director of Digital Capabilities Directorate, Air Force Research Laboratory.

MAJ Michael Kanaan, Military Deputy Chief Information Officer, DoD Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Office.

“Optimizing How We Innovate with Our Allies and Partners”—A study focusing on the challenges and opportunities of optimization of the innovation processes implemented with Allies and Partners to strengthen the national security of the United States.

James Appathurai, The North Atlantic Treaty Organization Acting Assistant Secretary General, Innovation, Hybrid, and Cyber.

CAPT Colin Kane, Chief of Staff, Military Deputy, Joint Rapid Acquisition Cell. Following these briefs and DIB discussions, the DIB will deliberate and vote to adopt the advice and recommendations to give to the Department in the form of a report, followed by the DFO who will reference public comments received ahead of this meeting. The Chair will offer closing remarks, and the DFO will adjourn the open session.

The DIB will continue in a closed meeting from 1:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. during which the DIB members will discuss topics around unmanned systems both for attack and counterattack; matters relating to scaling innovative processes and procedures; issues relating to innovating with our Allies and Partners; and approaches to strengthen how the Department engages with Industry to drive faster tech adoption. The latest version of the agenda can be found on the DIB’s website at innovation.defense.gov.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to section 1009(a)(1) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102.140 and 102-3.150, the meeting will be accessible to the public virtually on July 17th, 2024, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Members of the public wishing to attend the open session virtually will be able to access the link via DVIDS and on the DIB website at innovation.defense.gov. In accordance with section 1009(d) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102-3.155, the DoD has determined that part of the DIB meeting will be closed to the public on July 17, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Specifically, the USD(R&E), as the DIB Sponsor, in consultation with the DoD Office of General Counsel, has determined in writing that this portion of the meeting will be closed to the public because the DIB will consider matters covered by 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1).