DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Announcement of Approved International Trade Administration Trade Mission

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration (ITA), is announcing one upcoming trade mission that will be recruited, organized, and implemented by ITA. This mission is: Aeromedical Trade Mission to Brazil, September 25–27, 2024.

A summary of the mission is found below. Application information and more detailed mission information, including the commercial setting and sector information, can be found at the trade mission website: https://www.trade.gov/trade-missions.

For this mission, recruitment will be conducted in an open and public manner, including publication in the Federal Register, posting on the Commerce Department trade mission calendar (https://www.trade.gov/trademissions-schedule) and other internet websites, press releases to general and trade media, email blasts, direct mail, broadcast fax, notices by industry trade associations and other multiplier groups, and publicity at industry meetings, symposia, conferences, and trade shows.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Following Conditions for Participation Will Be Used for the Mission

Applicants must submit a completed and signed mission application and supplemental application materials, including adequate information on their products and/or services, primary market objectives, and goals for participation that is adequate to allow the Department of Commerce to evaluate their application. If the Department of Commerce receives an incomplete application, the Department of Commerce may either: reject the application, request additional information/clarification, or take the lack of information into account when evaluating the application. If the requisite minimum number of

participants is not selected for a particular mission by the recruitment deadline, the mission may be cancelled.

Each applicant must also certify that the products and services it seeks to export through the mission are either produced in the United States, or, if not, are marketed under the name of a U.S. firm and have at least fifty-one percent U.S. content by value. In the case of a trade association or organization, the applicant must certify that, for each firm or service provider to be represented by the association/organization, the products and/or services the represented firm or service provider seeks to export are either produced in the United States or, if not, marketed under the name of a U.S. firm and have at least 51% U.S. content by value.

A trade association/organization applicant must certify to the above for every company it seeks to represent on the mission. In addition, each applicant must:

- Certify that the products and services that it wishes to market through the mission would be in compliance with U.S. export controls and regulations;
- Certify that it has identified any matter pending before any bureau or office in the Department of Commerce;
- Certify that it has identified any pending litigation (including any administrative proceedings) to which it is a party that involves the Department of Commerce; and
- Sign and submit an agreement that it and its affiliates (1) have not and will not engage in the bribery of foreign officials in connection with a company's/participant's involvement in this mission, and (2) maintain and enforce a policy that prohibits the bribery of foreign officials.

In the case of a trade association/ organization, the applicant must certify that each firm or service provider to be represented by the association/ organization can make the above certifications.

The Following Selection Criteria Will Be Used for the Mission

Targeted mission participants are U.S. firms, services providers and trade associations/organizations providing or promoting U.S. products and services that have an interest in entering or expanding their business in the mission's destination markets. The following criteria will be evaluated in selecting participants:

• Suitability of the applicant's (or in the case of a trade association/ organization, represented firm's or service provider's) products or services to these markets;

- The applicant's (or in the case of a trade association/organization, represented firm's or service provider's) potential for business in the markets, including likelihood of exports resulting from the mission; and
- Consistency of the applicant's (or in the case of a trade association/ organization, represented firm's or service provider's) goals and objectives with the stated scope of the mission.

Balance of company size and location may also be considered during the review process.

Referrals from a political party or partisan political group or any information, including on the application, containing references to political contributions or other partisan political activities will be excluded from the application and will not be considered during the selection process. The applicant will be notified of these exclusions. The Department of Commerce will evaluate applications and inform applicants of selection decisions on a rolling basis until the maximum number of participants has been selected.

Definition of Small- and Medium-Sized Enterprise

For purposes of assessing participation fees, an applicant is a small or medium-sized enterprise (SME) if it qualifies as a "small business" under the Small Business Administration's (SBA) size standards (https://www.sba.gov/document/support-table-size-standards), which vary by North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Code. The SBA Size Standards Tool (https://www.sba.gov/size-standards) can help you determine the qualifications that apply to your company.

Mission List: (additional information about trade missions can be found at https://www.trade.gov/trade-missions).

Aeromedical Trade Mission to Brazil— September 25–27, 2024

Summary

The United States Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration (ITA), is planning to organize an Aeromedical Trade Mission to Brazil September 25–27, 2024.

"Aeromedical" is the intersecting subsector of aviation and medical services that focuses on the transportation of patients, medical crews, and organs via aircraft.

The goal of the Brazil Aeromedical Trade Mission is to introduce U.S. suppliers to the growing aeromedical sector in Brazil, strengthen existing connections between aeromedical suppliers and their Brazilian clients, develop new connections for U.S. companies in the sector, and increase the capacity of Brazilian aeromedical operators, which will lead to additional opportunities for U.S. companies' exports.

The long-term goal of this mission is to increase the sales and presence of U.S. goods and services in the aeromedical sector in Brazil. The trade mission will connect U.S. companies directly with the public sector (federal

police, fire departments, and the defense secretariat) and private sector (aeromedical operators/outfitters, maintenance repair and overhaul companies and local business representatives) to sell goods and services in the identified subsectors of aircraft and helicopter sales, medical equipment needed for conversions of existing aircraft, flight simulators, and training for pilots, doctors, and nurse crews in aircraft.

Participants will have business-to-business, and business-to-government matchmaking with companies active in the purchasing of aeromedical aircraft, equipment, training services and MRO. These companies are represented by the Brazil Association of Aeromedical Operators (ABOA). These potential clients have combined budgets in Brazil of over USD \$15 million and have a history of purchasing aircraft and ancillary aerospace goods and services.

PROPOSED TIMETABLE

September 25	Trade Mission Participants Arrive.
September 25	Country Briefing.
	 United States Foreign Commercial Service.
	 Brazil Association of Aeromedical Operators (ABOA) Executives.
September 26	Seminars hosted by:
	United States Foreign Commercial Service.
	Brazil Association of Aeromedical Operators (ABOA).
	Presentations by U.S. Companies.
	• Lunch.
	Individual Business-to-Business Company Meetings.
	Reception at Consul General Residence.
September 27	Presentations from U.S. Companies to Local Businesses.
	Business-to-Business Matchmaking.
	Business-to-Government Matchmaking.

Participation Requirements

All parties interested in participating in the trade mission must complete and submit an application package for consideration by the Department of Commerce. All applicants will be evaluated on their ability to meet certain conditions and best satisfy the selection criteria as outlined below. A minimum of 5 and a maximum of 15 firms and/or trade associations from the application pool will be selected to participate in the mission.

Fees and Expenses

After a firm or trade association has been selected to participate on the mission, a payment to the Department of Commerce in the form of a participation fee is required. The fees are as follows:

The participation fee for the Brazil Aeromedical Trade Mission will be \$3,500 for small or medium-sized enterprises (SME); and \$4,500 for large firms or trade associations. The fee for each additional firm representative (large firm or SME/trade organization) is \$750. Expenses for travel, lodging, most meals, and incidentals will be the responsibility of each mission participant. Interpreter and driver services can be arranged for additional cost. Delegation members will be able to take advantage of U.S. government rates for hotel rooms. If and when an applicant is selected to participate on a particular mission, a payment to the

Department of Commerce in the amount of the designated participation fee is required. Upon notification of acceptance to participate, those selected have 5 business days to submit payment or the acceptance may be revoked.

Participants selected for a trade mission will be expected to pay for the cost of personal expenses, including, but not limited to, international travel, lodging, meals, transportation, communication, and incidentals, unless otherwise noted. Participants will, however, be able to take advantage of U.S. government rates for hotel rooms. In the event that a mission is cancelled, no personal expenses paid in anticipation of a mission will be reimbursed. However, participation fees for a cancelled mission will be reimbursed to the extent they have not already been expended in anticipation of the mission.

If a visa is required to travel on a particular mission, applying for and obtaining such a visa will be the responsibility of the mission participant. Government fees and processing expenses to obtain such a visa are not included in the participation fee. However, the Department of Commerce will provide instructions to each participant on the procedures required to obtain business visas.

Trade mission members participate in trade missions and undertake missionrelated travel at their own risk. The nature of the security situation in a given foreign market at a given time cannot be guaranteed. The U.S.
Government does not make any representations or guarantees as to the safety or security of participants. The U.S. Department of State issues U.S. Government international travel alerts and warnings for U.S. citizens available at https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/alertswarnings.html. Any question regarding insurance coverage must be resolved by the participant and its insurer of choice.

Travel and in-person activities are contingent upon the safety and health conditions in the United States and the mission countries. Should safety or health conditions not be appropriate for travel and/or in-person activities, the Department will consider postponing the event or offering a virtual program in lieu of an in-person agenda. In the event of a postponement, the Department will notify the public and applicants previously selected to participate in this mission will need to confirm their availability but need not reapply. Should the decision be made to organize a virtual program, the Department will adjust fees accordingly, prepare an agenda for virtual activities, and notify the previously selected applicants with the option to opt-in to the new virtual program.

Timeframe for Recruitment and Applications

Mission recruitment will be conducted in an open and public manner, including publication in the **Federal Register**, posting on the Commerce Department trade mission calendar (http://export.gov/ trademissions) and other internet websites, press releases to general and trade media, email blasts, notices by industry trade associations and other multiplier groups, and publicity at industry meetings, symposia, conferences, and trade shows. Recruitment for the mission will begin immediately and conclude no later than August 5, 2024. The U.S. Department of Commerce will review applications and inform applicants of selection decisions on a ROLLING basis. Applications received after August 5, 2024, will be considered only if space and scheduling constraints permit.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Joint Skate Committee and Advisory Panel via webinar to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: This webinar will be held on Wednesday, August 21, 2024, at 1 p.m.

ADDRESSES:

Webinar registration URL information: https://nefmc-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_1x3vDVJGSEiopidIySjQfA.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cate O'Keefe, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465–0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Agenda

The Skate Committee and Advisory Panel will meet to discuss recent fishery performance and outlook for remainder of fishing year 2024. They will review the 2024 Northeast Skate Complex Annual Monitoring Report (for FY 2023) and discuss updates to survey biomass indices, catch accounting, and other information provided by the Plan Development Team. They will also discuss expected work in 2025 related to skates. Other business will be discussed, if necessary.

Although non-emergency issues not contained on the agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency. The public also should be aware that the meeting will be recorded. Consistent with 16 U.S.C. 1852, a copy of the recording is available upon request.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Cate O'Keefe, Executive Director, at (978) 465–0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

Dated: July 30, 2024.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Deepwater Horizon Natural Resource Damage Assessment Alabama Trustee Implementation Group Final Supplemental Restoration Plan II and Environmental Assessment: Marine Mammals, and Finding of No Significant Impact

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Deepwater Horizon (DWH) natural resource trustees for the Alabama Trustee Implementation Group (TIG) have prepared the Final Supplemental Restoration Plan II and Environmental Assessment: Marine Mammals (RPII/EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact. The Final Supplemental RPII/EA evaluates the use of additional funds from the Marine Mammals Restoration Type to extend the implementation of one or more projects currently underway in the Alabama Restoration Area to continue the Alabama TIG's efforts to restore for injuries to marine mammals impacted by the DWH oil spill. The Final Supplemental RPII/EA evaluates two restoration alternatives including consideration of the criteria set forth in the OPA natural resource damage assessment (NRDA) regulations, and an analysis under National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) implementing regulations. A No Action Alternative is also evaluated pursuant to the NEPA. In the Final Supplemental RPII/EA the Alabama TIG selects the preferred alternative for implementation. The total estimated cost to implement the Alabama TIG's Preferred Alternativean extension of the Enhancing Capacity for the Alabama Marine Mammal Stranding Network Project—is \$1,881,237. This action allocates the Alabama TIG's remaining Marine Mammals restoration funds. ADDRESSES: You may view and

ADDRESSES: You may view and download the Final Supplemental RPII/EA at https://www.gulfspillrestoration.noaa.gov/restoration-areas/alabama.