

is estimated to average .02 hours per response. Public reporting burden for Option 2 of this pilot project is estimated to average .10 hours per response.

*Respondents:* Individual producers.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 35,000.

*Estimated Number of Responses Per Respondent:* 4.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 5,550.

Burden hours for Options 3 and 4 have already been incorporated into the original OMB clearance package for acreage reporting. Those hours will not be increased or decreased for the purpose of this pilot project.

Proposed topics for comment include:

- (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collected; or
- (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of the information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments should be sent to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, D.C. 20503, and to Rebecca Davis, Production, Emergencies, and Compliance Division, USDA, FSA, STOP 0517, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-0517, (202) 720-9882. All responses to this notice will be summarized and

included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Signed at Washington, DC, on October 6, 1998.

**Keith Kelly,**

*Administrator, Farm Service Agency.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. 98-055N]

#### Codex Alimentarius Commission: Meeting of the Codex Committee on Food Hygiene

**AGENCY:** Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Under Secretary for Food Safety, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA); the Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA; Food and Drug Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; and the National Marine Fisheries Service, U.S. Department of Commerce, are sponsoring a public meeting on October 15, 1998, to provide information and receive public comments on agenda items that will be discussed at the Thirty-First Session of the Codex Committee on Food Hygiene, which will be held in Orlando, Florida, October 26-30, 1998.

**DATES:** The public meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 15, 1998, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

**ADDRESSES:** The public meeting will be held in Room 5066-S, South

Agriculture Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 14th Street and Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-3700.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patrick J. Clerkin, U.S. Manager for Codex, U.S. Codex Office, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Room 4861, South Agriculture Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-3700. Telephone: (202) 205-7760; Fax: (202) 720-3157.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

The Codex Alimentarius Commission (Codex) was established in 1962 by two United Nations organizations, the Food and Agriculture Organization and the World Health Organization. Codex is the principal international organization for encouraging fair international trade in food and protecting the health and economic interests of consumers. Through adoption of food standards, codes of practice and other guidelines developed by its committees, and by promoting their adoption and implementation by governments, Codex seeks to ensure that the world's food supply is sound, wholesome, free from adulteration and correctly labeled.

The Codex Committee on Food Hygiene was established to draft basic provisions on food hygiene for all foods. The Government of the United States hosts this Committee and chairs the Committee meetings.

#### Issues To Be Discussed at the Public Meeting

The following specific issues will be discussed during the public meeting:

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| 1. Report by the Secretariat on Matters Referred by the Codex Alimentarius Commission and/or Other Codex Committees to the Food Hygiene Committee, including the Proposed Draft Amendment to Section 6.12 of the General Principles of Food Hygiene <i>at Step 4</i> . | CX/FH 98/2        |
| 2. Proposed Draft Principles and Guidelines for the Conduct of Microbiological Risk Assessment <i>at Step 7</i> .....  | CX/FH 98/3        |
| 3. Draft Code of Hygienic Practice for Bottled (Packaged) Drinking Waters (Other than Natural Mineral Water) <i>at Step 7</i> .  | CX/FH 98/4        |
| 4. Proposed Draft Code of Hygienic Practice for Milk and Milk Products .....   | CX/FH 98/5        |
| —Government Comments at Step 3 .....   | CX/FH 98/5-Add. 1 |
| 5. Proposed Draft Code of Hygienic Practice for the Transport of Foodstuffs in Bulk and Semi-Packed Foodstuffs .....   | CX/FH 98/6        |
| —Government Comments at Step 3 .....   | CX/FH 98/6-Add. 1 |
| 6. Discussion Paper on the Proposed Draft Code of Hygienic Practice for Primary Production, Harvesting and Packaging of Fresh Product.   | CX/FH 98/7        |
| 7. Discussion Paper on the Proposed Draft Code of Hygienic Practice for Pre-Cut Fruits and Vegetables .....  | CX/FH 98/8        |
| 8. Discussion Paper on Proposed Draft Guidelines for Hygienic Recycling of Processing Water in Food Plants .....   | CX/FH 98/9        |
| 9. Discussion Paper on Recommendations for the Management of Microbiological Hazards for Foods in International Trade.   | CX/FH 98/10       |
| 10. Implications for Broader Application of the HACCP System .....   | CX/FH 98/11       |
| 11. Discussion Paper on the Development of Risk-Based Guidance for the Use of HACCP-like Systems in Small Businesses, with Special Reference to Developing Countries.  | CX/FH 98/12       |
| 12. The Implications of Regional Differences in the Prevalence of Foodborne Pathogens in the Management of Microbiological Hazards for Foods in International Trade.   | CX/FH 98/13       |

**Ellen Y. Matten,**

*Acting U.S. Manager for Codex, FSIS.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council will meet in Seattle, Washington, October 15-17, 1998. The purpose of the meeting is to review the status of the Council's 1998 annual report and to discuss emerging issues in urban and community forestry.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held October 15-17, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Silver Cloud Inn, 5036 25th Avenue, N.E., Seattle, Washington. A tour of local projects will be October 15, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Individuals who wish to speak at the meeting or to propose agenda items must send their names and proposals to Suzanne M. del Villar, Executive Assistant, National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council, 20628 Diane Drive, Sonoma, CA 95370.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Suzanne M. del Villar, Cooperative Forestry Staff, (209) 536-9201.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Challenge Cost-Share Grant categories, identified by the Council, are advertised annually to solicit proposals for projects to advance the knowledge of, and promote interest in, urban and community forestry. Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B), the meeting will be closed from approximately 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. on October 17, in order for the Council to determine the members of the rating committees for the 1998 Challenge Cost-Share Grant Program. Otherwise, the meeting is open to the public.

Persons who wish to bring urban and community forestry matters to the attention of the Council may file written statements with the Council staff before or after the meeting. Public input sessions will be provided and individuals who made written requests by September 30 will have the opportunity to address the Council at those sessions. Council discussion is limited to Forest Service staff and Council members.

Dated: October 1, 1998.

**Dan Glickman,**

*Secretary of Agriculture.*

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## ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT AGENCY

### The Director's Advisory Committee; Notice of Closed Meetings

October 7, 1998.

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2 § 10(a)(2)(1996), the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (ACDA) announces the following Advisory Committee meetings:

**Name:** The Director's Advisory Committee (DirAC).

**Dates:** October 13-14, 1998, November 23-24, 1998, December 17-18, 1998, January 26-27, 1999.

**Time:** 8:30 a.m.

**Place:** For the October, November and December meetings: State Department Building, 320 21st Street, NW., Room 4930, Washington, DC 20451.

For the January meeting: STRATCOM HQ, Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Nebraska.

**Type of Meetings:** Closed.

**Contact:** Robert Sherman, Executive Director, Director's Advisory Committee, Room 5844, Washington, DC 20451, (202) 647-4622.

**Purpose of Advisory Committee:** To advise the President, the Secretary of State, and the Director of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency respecting scientific, technical, and policy matters affecting arms control, nonproliferation, and disarmament.

**Purpose of the Meetings:** The Committee will review specific arms control, nonproliferation, and verification issues. Members will be briefed on current U.S. policy and issues regarding negotiations such as the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty and the Convention on Conventional Weapons. Members will also be briefed on issues regarding the Chemical and Biological Weapons Conventions. Members will exchange information and concepts with key ACDA and Livermore Laboratory personnel. All meetings will be held in Executive Session.

**Reason for Closing:** The DirAC members will be reviewing and discussing matters specifically authorized by Executive Order 12,958 to be kept secret in the interest of national defense and foreign policy.

**Authority to Close Meetings:** The closing of the meetings is in accordance with a determination by the Acting Director of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency dated October 8, 1998, made pursuant to the provisions of Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2 § 10(d)(1996).

**Notice:** This notice is being published less than 15 days before the first meeting because

of recent changes in the location of the meetings.

**Cathleen Lawrence,**

*Director of Administration.*

### Determination To Close Meetings of the Director's Advisory Committee

October 8, 1998.

The Director's Advisory Committee (DirAC) will hold a meeting in Washington, DC, on October 13-14, 1998, November 23-24, 1998, December 17-18, 1998, and at Offutt AFB, Omaha, Nebraska on January 26-27, 1999.

The entire agenda of these meetings will be devoted to specific national security policy and arms control issues. Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2 § 10(d)(1996), I have determined that the meetings may be closed to the public in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c)(1). Materials to be discussed at the meetings have been properly classified and are specifically authorized under criteria established by Executive Order 12,958, 60 Fed. Reg. 19,825 (1995), to be kept secret in the interests of national defense and foreign policy.

This notice is being published less than 15 days before the first meeting day, because of recent changes in the location of the meetings.

Ralph Earle II,

*Acting.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of Export Administration

#### Regulations and Procedures Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Regulations and Procedures Technical Advisory Committee (RPTAC) will meet November 10, 1998, (9:00 a.m., Room 3407, in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, 14th Street between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues, NW, Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration on implementation of the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) and provides for continuing review to update the EAR as needed.

#### Agenda

##### Open Session

1. Opening remarks by the Chairperson.
2. Presentation of papers or comments by the public.
3. Consultation on renewal of Committee charter.
4. Update of policies under review.
5. Report on status of India/Pakistan sanctions.