

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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**Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's (MAFMC) Ad Hoc Scientific and Statistical Committee will hold a public meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Thursday, July 17, 2008, from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Hilton Philadelphia Airport, 4509 Island Avenue, Philadelphia, PA, telephone: (215) 365-4150.

*Council address:* Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, Room 2115, 300 S. New Street, Dover, DE 19904, telephone: (302) 674-2331.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Daniel T. Furlong, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: (302) 674-2331, extension 19.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this meeting will be to review NMFS' proposed rule to modify National Standard 2 of the Magnuson-Stevens Act. Particular emphasis will focus on compliance with new annual catch limits (ACL) and accountability measures (AM).

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Actions will be restricted to those issues specifically identified 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.

**Special Accommodations**

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to M. Jan Bryan, (302) 674-2331 extension 18, at the Council Office at least five days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: June 25, 2008.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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**Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Highly Migratory Species Management Team (HMSMT) will hold a work session, which is open to the public.

**DATES:** The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Highly Migratory Species Management Team (HMSMT) will hold a work session, which is open to the public. The work session will be from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, July 31 and from 8:30 a.m. until the business of the meeting is finished on Friday, August 1, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** The work sessions will be held at the National Marine Fisheries Service, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, Large Conference Room, 8604 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla, CA 92037, telephone: (858) 546-7000.

*Council address:* Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Kit Dahl, Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The HMSMT will discuss the following topics: (1) the environmental analysis for a range of alternatives for a limited entry program to allow a shallow-set longline fishery, which targets swordfish, to be prosecuted from the west coast, including qualifying criteria for limited entry; (2) a range of options for the management of the recreational fishery for thresher sharks in California; (3) preparation of the 2008 HMS Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation (SAFE) report; (4) a NMFS proposal to develop management concepts for the west coast albacore troll fishery; and (5) application of the results of a recent workshop on interactions between west

coast swordfish fisheries and leatherback sea turtles to future research, monitoring, and management.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may be discussed, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issues arising after publication of this document that require emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

**Special Accommodations**

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Carolyn Porter at (503) 820-2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: June 25, 2008.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Office of the Secretary****Defense Science Board**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice of Advisory Committee Meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Defense Science Board 2008 Summer Study on Capability Surprise will meet in closed session on August 4-14, 2008; at the Beckman Center, Irvine, CA.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** LtCol Chad Lominac, USAF, Defense Science Board, 3140 Defense Pentagon, Room 3B888A, Washington, DC 20301-3140, via e-mail at [charles.lominac@osd.mil](mailto:charles.lominac@osd.mil), or via phone at (703) 571-0081.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At this meeting, the Board will discuss interim finding and recommendations resulting from ongoing Task Force activities. The study will focus on the whats and whys of

capability surprise and the measures to ensure that DoD and its interested partners are best positioned to prevent, or mitigate, capability surprise against itself. The Board will also discuss plans for future consideration of scientific and technical aspects of specific strategies, tactics, and policies as they may affect the U.S. national defense posture and homeland security.

In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law No. 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2) and 41 CFR 102-3.155, the Department of Defense has determined that these Defense Science Board Quarterly meetings will be closed to the public. Specifically, the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), with the coordination of the DoD Office of General Counsel, has determined in writing that all sessions of these meetings will be closed to the public because they will be concerned throughout with matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1).

Interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the Defense Science Board. Individuals submitting a written statement must submit their statement to the Designated Federal Official at the address detailed above, at any point, however, if a written statement is not received at least 10 calendar days prior to the meeting, which is the subject of this notice, then it may not be provided to or considered by the Defense Science Board. The Designated Federal Official will review all timely submissions with the Defense Science Board Chairperson, and ensure they are provided to members of the Defense Science Board before the meeting that is the subject of this notice.

Dated: June 23, 2008.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,  
Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Transformation Advisory Group

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice of Advisory Committee Closed Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. App 2, Section 1), the Sunshine in the Government Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b), and 41 CFR 102-3.150, the Department of Defense announces the

following closed meeting of the Transformation Advisory Group.

**DATES:** August 7, 2008 (8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

**ADDRESSES:** Institute for Defense Analysis, 4850 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22311.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Tammy R. Van Dame, Designated Federal Officer, (757) 836-5365, 1562 Mitscher Ave., Suite 200, Norfolk, VA 23551-2488,  
*tammy.vandame@jfc.com.mil.*

You may also contact Mr. Floyd March, Joint Staff, (703) 697-0610.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Purpose of the Meeting:** The purpose of the meeting is to obtain, review and evaluate information related to scientific, technical and policy-related issues for the nation's joint enterprise, and U.S. Joint Forces Command with emphasis on how these issues relate to the shaping of the command's efforts today and in the future.

**Agenda:** Topics include: Joint Operating Environment, Futures, Capstone Concept for Joint Operations.

**Meeting Accessibility:** Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, and 41 CFR 102-3.155, the Department of Defense has determined that the meeting shall be closed to the public. Per delegated authority by the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, LTG John R. Wood, Deputy Commander, U.S. Joint Forces Command in consultation with his legal advisor, has determined in writing that the public interest requires that all sessions of this meeting be closed to the public because they will be concerned with matters listed in section 552b(c)(1) of Title 5, U.S.C.

**Written Statements:** Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140, the public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the membership of the Transformation Advisory Group at any time or in response to the stated agenda of a planned meeting. Written statements should be submitted to the Transformation Advisory Group's Designated Federal Officer; the Designated Federal Officer's contact information can be obtained from the GSA's FACA Database—<https://www.fido.gov/facadatabase/public.asp>. Written statements that do not pertain to a scheduled meeting of the Transformation Advisory Group may be submitted at any time. However, if individual comments pertain to a specific topic being discussed at a planned meeting then these statements must be submitted no later than 14 business days prior to the meeting in question. The Designated Federal Officer will review all submitted written

statements and provide copies to all the committee members.

Dated: June 23, 2008.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,  
Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Notice of Availability of Finding

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 and the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), implementing procedural provisions of NEPA, and Executive Order (EO) 12114, Environmental Effects Abroad of Major Federal Actions, the Department of the Navy (DON) gives notice that a combined Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)/Finding of No Significant Harm (FONSH) has been issued and is available for Expeditionary Strike Group Composite Training Unit Exercise (ESG COMPTUEX) July 2008.

**DATES:** The effective date of the finding is June 24, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Electronic copies of the combined FONSI/FONSH are available for public viewing or downloading at <http://www.navydocuments.com>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Commander, Second Fleet Public Affairs, Commander Phillips, telephone: 757-443-9822 or visit <http://www.navydocuments.com>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** ESG COMPTUEX (July 2008) is a major Navy Atlantic Fleet training exercise proposed to occur in July 2008 in the offshore Cherry Point, Charleston, and Jacksonville Operating Areas (OPAREAs) and adjacent military installations. The purpose of this exercise is to certify naval forces as combat-ready. Activities conducted during the exercise include air-to-ground bombing, shore fire control party training, amphibious landings, non-explosive naval gunfire, fast attack craft/fast inshore attack craft, maritime interdiction operations and anti-submarine warfare, including use of mid-frequency active sonar.

The FONSI is based on analysis contained in a Comprehensive Environmental Assessment (EA)