

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jane E. Hardisty, 317-290-3200.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 states that after enactment of the law, revisions made to NRCS state technical guides used to carry out highly erodible land and wetland provisions of the law, shall be made available for public review and comment. For the next 30 days, the NRCS in Indiana will receive comments relative to the proposed changes. Following that period, a determination will be made by the NRCS in Indiana regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of changes will be made.

Dated: December 10, 2001.

Jane E. Hardisty,

State Conservationist, Indianapolis, Indiana.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

Sensors and Instrumentation Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Sensors and Instrumentation Technical Advisory Committee will meet on February 12, 2002, 9:30 a.m., in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 3884, 14th Street between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues, NW., Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration on technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to sensors and instrumentation equipment and technology.

Agenda

Public Session

1. Opening remarks and introductions.
2. Committee Annual Report for 2001.
3. Goals for 2002.
4. Status on Wassenaar Arrangement proposals.
5. Update on implementation of regulations.
6. Committee's proposed change to 6A002 (Optical sensors).
7. Update on Wassenaar Arrangement negotiating cycle.
8. Review of status on Uncooled IR licensing.

Closed Session

9. Discussion of matters properly classified under Executive Order 12958, dealing with the U.S. export control program and strategic criteria related thereto.

A limited number of seats will be available during the public session of the meeting.

Reservations are not accepted. To the extent that time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials to the Committee members, the Committee suggests that presenters forward the public presentation materials prior to the meeting date to the following address: Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter, OSIES/EA/BXA MS: 3876, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th St. & Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20230.

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the General Counsel, formally determined on November 29, 2001, pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, that the series of meetings of the Committee and of any Subcommittees thereof, dealing with the classified materials listed in 5 U.S.C., 552b(c)(1) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in section 10(a)(1) and 10(a)(3), of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The remaining series of meetings or portions thereof will be open to the public.

A copy of the Notice of Determination to close meetings or portions of meetings of the Committee is available for public inspection and copying in the Central Reference and Records Inspection Facility, Room 6020, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230. For more information contact Lee Ann Carpenter on (202) 482-2583.

Dated: January 9, 2002.

Lee Ann Carpenter,

Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

[Docket No. 010412092-1296-04]

Report on the Effect of Imports of Iron Ore and Semi-Finished Steel on the National Security

AGENCY: Bureau of Export Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Publication of Executive Summary of Report from the Secretary of Commerce to the President on the Effect of Imports of Iron Ore and Semi-Finished Steel on the National Security/ Notice of availability of full report.

SUMMARY: On October 29, 2001, the Secretary of Commerce ("Secretary") submitted a report to the President summarizing the findings of an investigation conducted by the Department pursuant to Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962, into the effect of imports of iron ore and semi-finished steel on the national security of the United States. Based on

the evidence gathered in that investigation, the Secretary was unable to conclude that imports of iron ore and semi-finished steel threaten to impair the national security of the United States, or to recommend to the President that he take action under Section 232 to adjust the level of imports of these items. Included herein is the Executive Summary of the Secretary's report to the President.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the Secretary's report and certain records related to this investigation (with any business confidential information redacted) are accessible in accordance with the regulations published in part 4 of title 15 of the Code of Federal Regulations (15 CFR 4.1 *et seq.*). Specifically, the above documents are maintained on the Bureau of Export Administration's Web page, which can be found at <http://www.bxa.doc.gov> (see Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") heading). Alternatively, any person may request that a copy of the Secretary's report be sent to him by calling (202) 482-0500.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On February 1, 2001, the Secretary initiated an investigation under Section 232 to determine the effects on the national security of imports of iron ore and semi-finished steel. This investigation was conducted at the request of Representative James Oberstar of Minnesota and Representative Bart Stupak of Michigan. For further details on this investigation, see the **Federal Register** notices of February 6, 2001 (66 FR 9067), April 18, 2001 (66 FR 19917), June 14, 2001 (66 FR 32315), and July 10, 2001 (66 FR 35927).

On October 29, 2001, the Secretary concluded his investigation and submitted a report to the President. Based on the evidence gathered in that investigation, the Secretary was unable to conclude that imports of iron ore and semi-finished steel threaten to impair the national security of the United States, or to recommend to the President that he take action under Section 232 to adjust the level of imports of these items. The Executive Summary of the Secretary's October 2001 report to the President, titled "The Effect of Imports of Iron Ore and Semi-Finished Steel on the National Security," is reproduced below in accordance with 15 CFR 705.10.