9:30 a.m. - The Council will convene. 9:30 a.m. until 9:45 a.m. - Swearing in of new and reappointed members will be held.

9:45 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. -Groundfish Assessment Review Meeting (GARM) Report will be provided to the Council by NMFS Officials.

10:30 a.m. until 11 a.m. - Meeting 2 of Framework 2 to the Spiny Dogfish Fishery Management Plan (FMP) will be discussed.

11 a.m. until 12 p.m. - A presentation will be given to the Council regarding Amendments 3 and 4 to the Consolidated Highly Migratory Species (HMS) FMP by NMFS Officials.

1 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. - The Council will hold its regular Business Session.

2:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. - An official from NMFS will provide the Council a presentation regarding the Proposed Rule for use of Turtle Excluded Devices (TED) in all Atlantic coast trawl fisheries.

3:30 p.m. until 5 p.m. - The Executive Committee will meet.

7 p.m. until 9 p.m. - There will be a scoping meeting to address Amendment 3 to the NMFS' Consolidated Highly Migratory Species Fishery Management Plan.

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9 a.m. until 11 a.m. - The Council will convene to approve Amendment 10 to the Squid, Mackerel, and Butterfish FMP for Secretarial Submission.

11 a.m. until 12 p.m. - The Council will then consider any Continuing and New Business.

Agenda items by day for the Council's Committees and the Council itself are:

Tuesday, October 14 - The Bycatch/ Limited Access Committee will continue discussion regarding prioritization and resolution of bycatch issues, i.e. - bycatch notebook and approve the final version of the Council's bycatch pamphlet for catch and release practices. The Ecosystems Committee will consider expanding the current charge and role of the Committee. The Research Set-Aside Committee will establish research setaside priorities for 2010 and consider developing a standardized rating and ranking system for grant applications from a management and/or policy perspective. The Squid, Mackerel, and Butterfish Committee will review comments received regarding Amendment 11's recent Notice of Intent (NOI) including: implementation of Annual Catch Limits (ACL) and Accountability Measures (AM); updated Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) descriptions for all four species; and,

consider possible limitations on at-sea processing of mackerel.

Wednesday, October 15 - The Law Enforcement Committee will review the Fisheries Achievement Award (FAA) nominations and develop recommendations regarding possible recipient(s) for this recognition. The Council will convene to swear in new and reappointed Council members and elect Council Officers. The Council will receive a report on the recent GARM Assessment. The Council will select and adopt the preferred alternative to adjust stock status determination criteria (biological reference points) for the Spiny Dogfish FMP. A presentation will be given by Karyl Brewster-Geisz on Amendment 3 (small coastal shark issues) and Amendment 4 (Caribbean issues) to the NMFS' Consolidated HMS FMP. The Council will then conduct its Business Session and receive Organizational, Liaison, Executive Director, Status of Fishery Management Plans and Committee reports. A presentation will also be provided by a NMFS Protected Resources official regarding NMFS' Proposed Rule for use of Turtle Excluder Devices (TED) in all Atlantic coast trawl fisheries. The Executive Committee will review the 2009 Annual Work Plan (AWP); review nominees and select recipients for the 2008 Ricks E Savage Award; and, address logistics and mechanics of using the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) to provide advice to the Council.

Thursday, October 16 - The Council will convene to review and adopt modified alternative 1A to implement butterfish rebuilding through use a bycatch cap. The Council will then consider any continuing or new business.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before the Council for discussion, these issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during these meetings. 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 actions to address such emergencies.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to M. Jan Bryan, (302) 674–2331 ext 18, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: September 24, 2008.

Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. E8–22816 Filed 9–29–08; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–S

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the Defense Department Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS)

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 10(a), Public Law 92–463, as amended, notice is hereby given of a forthcoming meeting of the Defense Department Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS). The purpose of the Committee meeting is to review the 2008 installation visits, review the Wounded Warrior installation visits, review and vote on recommendations for Wounded Warrior families, and also review and edit the draft of the 2008 Report. The meeting is open to the public, subject to the availability of space.

DATES: October 14–15, 2008, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Double Tree Hotel Crystal City National Airport, 300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

MSgt Robert Bowling, USAF, DACOWITS, 4000 Defense Pentagon, Room 2C548A, Washington, DC 20301– 4000. Robert.bowling@osd.mil Telephone (703) 697–2122. Fax (703) 614–6233.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, October 14, 2008 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

- —Welcome & Administrative Remarks.
- —Review 2008 installation visits.
- —Review Wounded Warrior installation visits.
- —Review and edit 2008 draft report.

Wednesday, October 15, 2008 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

- —Welcome and Administrative Remarks.
- —Review and edit 2008 draft report. Interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the Defense Department Advisory Committee on Women in the Services. Individuals submitting a written statement must submit their statement

to the Point of Contact listed above at the address detailed NLT 5 p.m., Friday, October 10, 2008. If a written statement is not received by Friday, October 10, 2008 prior to the meeting, which is the subject of this notice, then it may not be provided to or considered by the Defense Department Advisory Committee on Women in the Services until its next open meeting. The Designated Federal Officer will review all timely submissions with the Defense Department Advisory Committee on Women in the Services Chairperson and ensure they are provided to the members of the Defense Department Advisory Committee on Women in the Services.

If members of the public are interested in making an oral statement, a written statement must be submitted as above. After reviewing the written comments, the Chairperson and the Designated Federal Officer will determine who of the requesting persons will be able to make an oral presentation of their issue during an open portion of this meeting or at a future meeting. Determination of who will be making an oral presentation will depend on time available and if the topics are relevant to the Committee's activities. Two minutes will be allotted to persons desiring to make an oral presentation. Oral presentations by members of the public will be permitted only on Tuesday, October 14, 2008 from 4:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. before the full Committee. Number of oral presentations to be made will depend on the number of requests received from members of the public.

September 22, 2008.

Patricia L. Toppings,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board; Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an Advisory Committee Meeting of the Defense Science Board. The Defense Science Board will meet in closed session on October 22–23, 2008 at the Pentagon, Arlington, VA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Debra Rose, Executive Officer, Defense Science Board, 3140 Defense Pentagon,

Room 3B888A, Washington, DC 20301–3140, via e-mail at *debra.rose@osd.mil*, or via phone at (703) 571–0084.

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 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 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2) and 41 CFR 102-3.155, the Department of Defense has determined that the Defense Science Board Quarterly meeting 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: September 22, 2008.

Patricia L. Toppings,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Membership of the Defense Contract Audit Agency Senior Executive Service Performance Review Boards

AGENCY: Defense Contract Audit

Agency, DoD. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the appointment of members to the Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA)
Performance Review Boards. The
Performance Review Boards provide fair and impartial review of Senior
Executive Service (SES) performance appraisals and make recommendations to the Director, DCAA, regarding final performance ratings and performance awards for DCAA SES members.

DATES: *Effective Date:* September 30, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sandra L. Burrell, Chief, Human Resources Management Division, Defense Contract Audit Agency, 8725 John J. Kingman Road, Suite 2135, Fort Belvoir, Virginia 22060–6219, (703) 767–1039.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4), the following are the names and titles of DCAA career executives appointed to serve as members of the DCAA Performance Review Boards.

Appointees will serve one-year terms, effective upon publication of this notice.

Headquarters Performance Review Board

Mr. Kenneth Saccoccia, Assistant Director, Policy and Plans, DCAA, Chairperson;

Mr. Thomas Peters, Director, Field Detachment, DCAA, member;

Ms. Karen K. Cash, Assistant Director, Operations, DCAA, member.

Regional Performance Review Board

Mr. Edward Nelson, Regional Director, Northeastern Region, chairperson;

Mr. Christopher Andrezze, Regional Director, Western Region, DCAA, member;

Mr. David Eck, Regional Director, Central Region, DCAA.

Dated: September 22, 2008.

Patricia L. Toppings,

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