

Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, Public Law 87-256, as amended, also known as the Fulbright-Hays Act. The purpose of the Act is "to enable the Government of the United States to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries * * * to strengthen the ties which unite us with other nations by demonstrating the educational and cultural interests, developments, and achievements of the people of the United States and other nations * * * and thus to assist in the development of friendly, sympathetic and peaceful relations between the United States and the other countries of the world." The funding authority for the program cited above is provided through the Freedom for Russia and Emerging Eurasian Democracies and Open Markets Support Act of 1992 (Freedom Support Act).

Notice

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Notification

Final awards cannot be made until funds have been appropriated by Congress, allocated and committed through internal Bureau procedures.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice #3388]

Fine Arts Committee; Notice of Meeting

The Fine Arts Committee of the Department of State will meet on Friday, October 20, 2000 at 10:30 a.m. in the John Quincy Adams State Drawing Room. The meeting will last until approximately 12 p.m. and is open to the public.

The agenda for the committee meeting will include a summary of the work of

the Fine Arts Office since its last meeting in April 2000 and the announcement of gifts of furnishings as well as financial contributions from January 1 through September 30, 2000. Public access to the Department of State is strictly controlled. Members of the public wishing to take part in the meeting should telephone the Fine Arts Office by October 13, 2000, telephone (202) 647-1990 to make arrangements to enter the building. The public may take part in the discussion as long as time permits and at the discretion of the chairman.

Dated: September 7, 2000.

Gail F. Serfaty,

Vice Chairman, Fine Arts Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 3417]

Privacy Act of 1974; Integration of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency and the United States Information Agency Systems of Records

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(4)) this notice describes alterations to the systems of records of the former Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, the former United States Information Agency and the Department of State. Revision to this systems of records is required as a result of the consolidation of the agencies as mandated by the Foreign Affairs Agencies Consolidation Act of 1998 (Pub. L. 105-277). It should also be noted that three systems of records specific to the International Bureau of Broadcasting of the former USIA were transferred to the Broadcasting Board of Governors. All operative systems of records affected by the Consolidation Act are being revised to reflect any changes. The revised system descriptions will be submitted separately. Inactive records from these ACDA and USIA systems of records were either retired or destroyed in accordance with their approved Records Disposition Schedules unless otherwise noted.

Notice is hereby given that the Department of State proposes to delete systems of records or create new Department of State systems of records from systems that were maintained by the former Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (ACDA) and former United States Information Agency (USIA). These actions are taken pursuant to the provisions of the

Privacy Act of 1974, as amended [5 U.S.C. 552a (r)], and the Office of Management and Budget Circular No. A-130, Appendix I.

Pursuant to the Foreign Affairs Agencies Consolidation Act of 1998 (Pub. L. 105-277) the former ACDA and former USIA were integrated into the Department of State effective April 1, 1999 and October 1, 1999 respectively. As part of the consolidation, the Department assumed custody and control of systems of records maintained by ACDA and USIA. To eliminate duplication and to reflect current organizational and operational conditions, the Department has conducted a comprehensive review of the Privacy Act Systems of Records of both agencies and determined which of the systems of the former ACDA and former USIA will be deleted. Where appropriate, records of the deleted systems will be absorbed by Department of State Privacy Act systems of records which are performing like functions. Unique ACDA or USIA systems that continue to operate will be treated as new systems of records and will be assigned a Department of State system number.

The Department Intends To Take the Following Actions Related to the Privacy Act Systems of Records of the Former ACDA

ACDA-1 Official Personnel Records— This system will be deleted. Each individual's personnel records, including tax records associated with the employee's compensation, were merged into two of the Department's personnel records systems (STATE-31 Personnel Records and STATE-30 Personnel Payroll Records).

ACDA-2 Pending Personnel Records— This system will be deleted. The records of individuals who were under consideration for employment were merged into STATE-31 Personnel Records.

ACDA-3 Security Records— This system will be deleted. All ACDA security files were merged into STATE-36 Security Records.

ACDA-4 Statements by Principals During the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks, Mutual Balanced Force Reduction Negotiations, and the Standing Consultative Committee— This system will be deleted. Prior to its planned implementation in the mid-1980's it was learned that the records to be maintained in this system could be obtained from an existing record system. To avoid the creation of duplicate records, the ACDA-4 system of records was never implemented and no records were accumulated.