

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@ifcom.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.

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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)