

subject line if email is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's internet website (<https://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. Do not include personal identifiable information in submissions; you should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. We may redact in part or withhold entirely from publication submitted material that is obscene or subject to copyright protection. All submissions should refer to file number SR-NASDAQ-2024-053 and should be submitted on or before October 7, 2024.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.³¹

Vanessa A. Countryman,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 19, 2024.

PLACE: The meeting will be held via remote means and/or at the Commission's headquarters, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549.

STATUS: This meeting will be closed to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Commissioners, Counsel to the Commissioners, the Secretary to the Commission, and recording secretaries will attend the closed meeting. Certain staff members who have an interest in the matters also may be present.

In the event that the time, date, or location of this meeting changes, an announcement of the change, along with the new time, date, and/or place of the meeting will be posted on the Commission's website at <https://www.sec.gov>.

The General Counsel of the Commission, or her designee, has certified that, in her opinion, one or more of the exemptions set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3), (5), (6), (7), (8), 9(B) and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(3), (a)(5), (a)(6), (a)(7), (a)(8), (a)(9)(ii) and (a)(10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the closed meeting.

The subject matter of the closed meeting will consist of the following topics:

- Institution and settlement of injunctive actions;

- Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings;

- Resolution of litigation claims; and

- Other matters relating to examinations and enforcement proceedings.

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alterations in the scheduling of meeting agenda items that may consist of adjudicatory, examination, litigation, or regulatory matters.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

For further information, please contact Vanessa A. Countryman from the Office of the Secretary at (202) 551-5400.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552b.

Dated: September 12, 2024.

Vanessa A. Countryman,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 12537]

Proposed Establishment of Federally Funded Research and Development Centers—Supplemental Notice

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of State (DoS), Bureau of Administration, intends to sponsor Federally Funded Research and Development Centers (FFRDC) to facilitate public-private collaboration for numerous activities related to diplomacy and modernization. This is a supplemental notice to address outstanding public comments received through August 15, 2024.

DATES: Written comments are now closed. This will be the fourth (4th) and final notice in this series.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of State leads US engagement around the world building alliances and partnerships; facing up to aggression; aiding and supporting emerging democracies; and preserving US interests abroad. In a rapidly changing world with shifting politics, accelerated economic developments, global challenges such as climate change, and the increasing role digitization plays for both opportunity and threats, the Department is committed to leading through both policy and operational engagement on behalf of the nation and our government.

In a letter introducing the Department of State and U.S. Agency for International Development Joint Strategic Plan for 2022–2026, Secretary Blinken stated, “we are working to modernize and equip the Department and USAID to lead on 21st-Century challenges and deliver for the American people.”

Achieving U.S. goals for global leadership over the next decade will require the following:

- A diplomatic corps to use data in new ways to develop more foresight and insight, to inform policy options, to take actions and measure their effectiveness;
 - New cross-sector partnerships and coalitions;
 - Intergovernmental partnerships with the Department of Defense, the intelligence agencies, the Departments of Commerce, Treasury, Homeland Security, and Health and Human Services, and cross-government Councils (e.g., National Economic Council, National Security Council);
 - New capabilities to plan, manage and execute initiatives and programs;
 - A workforce that uses digital technology as tools to advance democracy and protect our interests and counter the use of these same technologies as a threat; and
 - An organization and operation that is agile and adaptive to a changing environment; attractive to new talent; and fosters long-term commitment between the organization and its people.
- The Department requires long-term partnerships with organizations that can bring research, development, innovation, and support needed to guide the leadership and employees through this transformative period in our history. This will allow the Department to focus on the mission at hand, while adopting and integrating changes necessary to make consistent progress on these goals and surge, when needed, to address urgent issues that require data, partnerships, technology

³¹ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

and insights applied in near-term operational situations.

To meet this need, the Department seeks to establish and sponsor one FFRDC under the authority of 48 CFR 35.017.

FFRDC Focus Areas

The FFRDC will be available to provide a wide range of support including, but not limited to the activities listed below:

- *Diplomatic Innovation and Modernization (DIM)*

The purpose of the DIM is to strengthen global engagement and humanitarian outcomes by pioneering research and development initiatives that address emerging threats and foster international cooperation.

- *Global CyberTech Solutions (GCS)*

The purpose of the GCS is to enhance global stability through cutting edge research and development in IT, cyber defense, systems engineering, and data analytics.

- *Global Operations and Acquisitions (GOA)*

The purpose of the GOA is to advance diplomatic effectiveness through collaborative and cutting-edge acquisition methodologies and tools, and data assessments of broad scale Departments needs, international cooperation, and innovative operational practices.

The FFRDC will partner with the Department of State in the design and pursuit of mission goals; provide rapid responsiveness to changing requirements for personnel in all aspects of strategic, technical and program management; recognize Government objectives as its own objectives; partner in pursuit of excellence in public service; and allow for use of the FFRDC by non-sponsors. The Department is publishing this notice in accordance with 48 CFR 5.205(b) of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR).

Planned Request for Information/ Sources Sought Notice

Based on public comments from the first three notices, the Department has issued a Request for Information/ Sources Sought notice via *SAM.gov*. That notice along with all response instructions can be found at the following link: <https://SAM.gov/opp/1550c30441fc4879a3b6b5bbbca729f0/view>.

Public Comments

During the comment period from May 17–August 15, 2024, the Department

submitted three notices for publication, which were subsequently posted; however, due to the publishing delay for the third notice, the Department is publishing this supplemental notice to address comments received between August 9 and August 15, 2024.

The Department received seventeen (17) comments during this portion of the public comment period. Three (3) comments were received via the **Federal Register** public comment function without content or without context for the information received. The remaining comments have been addressed as described below:

Eleven (11) comments expressed interest in submitting responses, capabilities, or eventually proposals for the FFRDCs. The Department appreciates the interest from industry and looks forward to these organizations' responses to the Sources Sought Notice.

Two (2) comments voiced concerns about the scope and clarity of the focus areas. The **Federal Register** notices included a high-level list of focus areas. The detailed list of functional areas is fully presented in the Draft Scope of Services document attached to the Sources Sought Notice. This should provide insight into the full scope of the FFRDC program. The Department is conducting market research internally and externally to continue to solidify the final scope of the FFRDC to ensure the most effective FFRDC support.

Six (6) of the commenters provided feedback on the focus areas listed in the previous notices. The Department appreciates this thoughtful input, and the draft Scope of Services document attached to the Sources Sought Notice reflects the Department's consideration of these suggestions. The Department will continue to analyze this feedback with other market research information to ensure the most precise and accurate FFRDC scope definition prior to formal solicitation.

The Department also received six (6) responses that provided input on the FFRDC structure in areas such as procurement considerations, number of centers, sponsoring bureaus, and governance processes. The Department will continue to evaluate this feedback to determine internally the ideal processes to govern the FFRDC.

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Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition & Senior Procurement Executive, U.S. Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 12538]

Notice of Renewal of Advisory Committee Charter

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Charter renewal.

SUMMARY: The Department of State has renewed the Charter of the U.S. National Commission for the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Mungai, U.S. Department of State, Telephone: (202) 663–2407; email: MungaiP@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. National Commission for UNESCO, which operates pursuant to 22 U.S. Code 2870 and the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), is a Federal Advisory Committee that provides recommendations to the U.S. Department of State.

The Commission's recommendations relate to the formulation and implementation of U.S. policy towards UNESCO on matters of education, science, culture, and communication and information. Also, the Commission functions as a liaison with organizations, institutions, and individuals in the United States interested in the work of UNESCO.

The Commission is comprised of representatives of American organizations and institutions which have an interest in education, science, communications and culture, including professional associations, educational institutions, and non-governmental organizations (NGOs), as well as representatives of federal, state and local governments, and at-large individuals. The Commission meets to provide information on UNESCO related topics and make recommendations.

Kevin E. Bryant,

Deputy Director, Office of Directives Management, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Notice of Determinations; Culturally Significant Objects Being Imported for Exhibition—Determinations: “The Time is Always Now: Artists Reframe the Black Figure” Exhibition

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: I hereby