

reasonable, feasible, and flexible. Proposals should clearly demonstrate how the institution will meet the program's objectives and plan. The proposals should indicate evidence of continuous on-site administrative and managerial capacity.

**4. Multiplier effect/impact:** Proposed programs should strengthen long-term mutual understanding, including maximum sharing of information and establishment of long-term institutional and individual connections.

**5. Support of Diversity:** Proposals should demonstrate substantive support of the Bureau's policy on diversity. Achievable and relevant features should be cited in both program administration and program content (orientation and wrap-up sessions, program meetings, resource materials and follow-up activities).

**6. Institutional Capacity:** Proposed personnel and institutional resources should be adequate and appropriate to achieve the project's goals.

**7. Institution's Record/Ability:** Proposals should demonstrate an institutional record of successful exchange programs, including responsible fiscal management and full compliance with all reporting requirements for past Agency grants as determined by USIA's Office of Contracts. The Agency will consider the past performance of prior recipients and the demonstrated potential of new applicants.

**8. Follow-on Activities:** Proposals should provide a plan for continued follow-on activity (without USIA support) which ensures that USIAS-supported programs are not isolated events.

**9. Project Evaluation:** Proposals should include a plan to evaluate the activity's success, both as the activities unfold and at the end of the program. A draft survey questionnaire or other technique plus description of a methodology to use to link outcomes to original project objectives is recommended.

**10. Cost-effectiveness:** The overhead and administrative components of the proposal, including salaries and honoraria, should be kept as low as

possible. All other items should be necessary and appropriate.

**11. Cost-sharing:** Proposals should maximize cost-sharing through other private sector support as well as institutional direct funding contributions.

**12. Value to U.S.-Partner Country Relations:** Proposed projects should receive positive assessment by USIA's geographic area desk and overseas officers of program need, potential impact, and significance in the partner country.

#### Notice

The terms and conditions published in this RFP are binding and may not be modified by any USIA representative. Explanatory information provided by the Agency that contradicts published language will not be binding. Issuance of the RFP does not constitute an award commitment on the part of the Government. The Agency reserves the right to reduce, revise, or increase proposal budgets in accordance with the needs of the program and the availability of funds. Awards made will be subject to periodic reporting and evaluation requirements.

#### Notification

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

Dated: January 19, 1996.

John P. Loiello,

*Associate Director, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.*

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### U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy Meeting

**AGENCY:** United States Information Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice for the Federal Register.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy will meet in Room 600, 301 4th Street, S.W., on January 25, 1996 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

The meeting will be closed to the public from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.,

because it will involve discussion of classified information relating to public diplomacy and the Bosnian peace process. The Commission will meet with USNATO Public Affairs Officer Mary Ellen Connell; Dr. Mary McIntosh, Director, Office of European Research, USIA; Mr. Bud Jacobs, Deputy Director, Office of East European and NIS Affairs, USIA; and Col. Daniel C. Deflin, Chief of Psychological Operations and Civil Affairs, The Joint Staff (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1)).

The 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. portion of the Commission's meeting will be open to the public and will involve discussion of the U.S. Information Agency's budget with USIA's Comptroller Stanley Silverman.

Please call Betty Hayes, (202) 619-4468, for further information.

Dated: January 22, 1996.

Joseph Duffey,  
*Director.*

Determination To Close a Portion of the U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy's Meeting of January 25, 1996

Based on the information provided to the United States Information Agency by the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy, I hereby determine that the meeting scheduled by the Commission for January 25, 1996 may be closed to the public from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

The Commission has requested that its January 25 meeting be closed from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., because it will involve discussion of classified information relating to public diplomacy and the Bosnian peace process. The Commission will meet with USNATO Public Affairs Officer Mary Ellen Connell; Dr. Mary McIntosh, Director, Office of European Research, USIA; Mr. Bud Jacobs, Deputy Director, Office of East European and NIS Affairs, USIA; Col. Daniel C. Devlin, Chief of Psychological Operations and Civil Affairs, The Joint Staff (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1)).

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Dated: January 22, 1996.

Joseph Duffey,  
*Director.*

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