

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice No. 2553]

Advisory Committee on International Communications and Information Policy, Public Meeting

The Department of State is holding the next meeting of its Advisory Committee on International Communications and Information Policy. The Committee was renewed in 1996, in order to continue to provide a formal channel for regular consultation and coordination on major economic, social and legal issues and problems in international communications and information policy, especially as these issues and problems involve users of information and communication services, providers of such services, technology research and development, foreign industrial and regulatory policy, the activities of international organizations with regard to communications and information, and developing country interests.

The 24-person committee was appointed by Ambassador Vonya B. McCann, United States Coordinator for International Communications and Information Policy, U.S. Department of State, and serves under the Chairmanship of Ed Black, President, Computer & Communications Industry Association.

The purpose of this meeting will be to hear reports from the working groups on various issues that chart the future direction and work plan of the committee. The members will look at the substantive issues on which the committee should focus, as well as specific countries and regions of interest to the committee.

This meeting will be held on Thursday, June 19, 1997, from 9:45 a.m.–12:30 p.m. in Room 1205 of the Main Building of the U.S. Department of State, located at 2201 "C" Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20520. Members of the public may attend these meetings up to the seating capacity of the room. While the meeting is open to the public, admittance to the State Department Building is only by means of a pre-arranged clearance list. In order to be placed on the pre-clearance list, please provide your name, title, company, social security number, date of birth, and citizenship to Jennifer Texeira at (202) 647-5205 or by fax at (202) 647-5957. All attendees must use the "C" Street entrance. One of the following valid ID's will be required for admittance: any U.S. driver's license with photo, a passport, or a U.S. Government agency ID.

For further information, contact Timothy C. Finton, Executive Secretary of the Committee, at (202) 647-5385.

Dated: May 15, 1997.

Timothy C. Finton,

Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee for International Communications and Information Policy.

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[Public Notice No. 2550]

Shipping Coordinating Committee; Subcommittee on Safety of Life at Sea; Working Group on Safety of Navigation; Notice of Meeting

The Working Group on Safety of Navigation of the Subcommittee on Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) will conduct an open meeting at 9:30 am on Tuesday, June 24, 1997, in room 6103, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC.

The purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the 43rd session of the Subcommittee on Safety of Navigation (NAV) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) which is scheduled for July 14-18, 1997, at the IMO Headquarters in London.

Items of principal interest on the agenda are:

- Routing of ships, ship reporting, and related matters
- Development of measures complementary to the Code for Safe Carriage of Irradiated Nuclear Fuel (INF)
- Revision of SOLAS chapter V
- Ergonomic criteria for bridge equipment and layout
- Navigational aids and related matters
- International Telecommunication Union (ITU) matters including Radiocommunication ITU-R Study Group 8
- Amendments to the Merchant Ship Search and Rescue (MERSAR) Manual (1995 SOLAS/Conference resolution 8)
- Operational aspects of wing in ground (WIG) craft—Possible amendments to the International Regulations for Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS)

Members of the public may attend these meetings up to the seating capacity of the room. Interested persons may seek information by writing: Mr. Edward J. LaRue, Jr., U.S. Coast Guard (G-MOV-3), Room 1407, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001 or by calling: (202) 267-0416.

Dated: May 19, 1997.

Russell A. La Mantia,

Chairman, Shipping Coordinating Committee.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Office of the Secretary****Task Force on Assistance to Families in Aviation Disasters, Open Meeting**

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Task Force on Assistance to Families in Aviation Disasters will hold a meeting to discuss assistance to families of passengers involved in aviation accidents. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Monday, June 9, 1997, from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place in Room 2230 of Department of Transportation (DOT) Headquarters, 400 7th Street, SW, Washington, D.C.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven R. Okun, Task Force Executive Director, telephone 202-366-0140, or Marc C. Owen, Task Force Staff Director, mailing address, 400 7th Street SW, Room 5424, Washington, D.C. 20590, telecopier 202-366-7147, and telephone 202-366-6823.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Appendix), DOT gives notice of a meeting of the Task Force on Assistance to Families in Aviation Disasters (Task Force). The Task Force was established by the Aviation Disaster Family Assistance Act of 1996 to develop recommendations on ways to improve the treatment of families of passengers involved in aviation accidents. The principal purpose of the meeting on June 9 is to examine the role of Federal, State, and private entities at aviation accident sites, as well as to discuss issues facing private and public entities on the treatment of families of persons involved in aviation accidents.

The meeting will be open to the public. Limited seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. The public may submit written comments to the Task Force at any time. Comments should be sent to Mr. Owen at the address or telecopier number shown above. Another public meeting will be held in July, on a date to be determined, in which the public will be invited to testify on issues within the charter of the Task Force.