

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Signed at Washington, D.C., this 28th day of October, 1998.

Alexis M. Herman,
Secretary of Labor.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

October 28, 1998.

Memorandum for Meredith Miller,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Pension and Welfare Benefits

From: Alexis M. Herman.

Subject: Specific Delegation of Authority to the Assistant Secretary for Pension and Welfare Benefits.

Effective immediately, the Assistant Secretary for Pension and Welfare Benefits is hereby delegated authority and assigned responsibility to invoke all appropriate claims of governmental privilege, arising from the functions of the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, following his/her personal consideration of the matter, and in accordance with the following guidelines:

(a) *Informant's Privilege* (to protect from disclosure the identity of any person who has provided information to the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration in cases arising under the statutes listed in paragraph 4a of the Secretary's Order 1-87): A claim of privilege may be asserted where the Assistant Secretary has determined that disclosure of the privileged matter may: (1) interfere with the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration's enforcement of a particular statute for which the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration exercises investigative or enforcement authority; (2) adversely affect persons who have provided information to the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration; or (3) deter other persons from reporting violations of the statutes.

(b) *Deliberative Process Privilege* (to withhold information which may disclose pre-decisional intra-agency or inter-agency deliberations, including the analysis and evaluation of fact, written summaries of factual evidence, and recommendations, opinions or advice on legal or policy matters in cases arising under the statutes listed in paragraph 4a of Secretary's Order 1-87): A claim of privilege may be asserted where the Assistant Secretary has determined that disclosure of the privileged matter would have an inhibiting effect on the agency's decision-making processes.

(c) *Privilege for Investigational Files Compiled for Law Enforcement Purposes* (to withhold information which may reveal the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration's confidential investigative techniques and procedures): The investigative file privilege may be asserted where the Assistant Secretary has determined the disclosure of the privileged matter may have an adverse impact upon the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration's enforcement of the statutes listed in

paragraph 4a of the Secretary's Order 1-87, by: (1) disclosing investigative techniques and methodologies; (2) deterring persons from providing information to the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration; (3) prematurely revealing the facts of the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration's case; or (4) disclosing the identities of persons who have provided information under an express or implied promise of confidentiality.

(d) Prior to filing a formal claim of privilege, the Assistant Secretary shall personally review all documents sought to be withheld (or, in case where the volume is so large that all of them cannot be personally reviewed in a reasonable time, an adequate and representative sample of such documents), together with a description or summary of the litigation with which the disclosure is sought.

(e) In asserting a claim of governmental privilege, the Assistant Secretary may ask the Solicitor of Labor, or the Solicitor's representative, to file any necessary legal papers or documents.

I hereby ratify any invocation of these privileges made by you since September 1, 1998, that was made in a manner consistent with the guidelines set forth in this memorandum.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (98-159)]

NASA Advisory Council (NAC), Task Force on International Space Station Operational Readiness; Meeting

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting change.

FEDERAL REGISTER CITATION OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT: 63 FR 188, Notice Number 98-134, September 29, 1998.

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED DATE AND ADDRESS OF MEETING: Tuesday, November 3, 1998, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; Central Standard Time; Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center, NASA, Building 1, Room 920L, Houston, TX 77058-3696.

CHANGES IN THE MEETING: Date changed to November 4, 1998; Time and location remain the same.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Dennis McSweeney, Code IH, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546-0001, 202/358-4556.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Review the results of the IOR Task Force Working Group on International Space Station Software assessment.
- Review the results of the IOR Task Force Working Group on International Space Station Training assessment.
- Receive a briefing from the International Space Station Program Office on the current status of the International Space Station.

It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitors register.

Dated: October 28, 1998.

Matthew M. Crouch,

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National Aeronautics and Space Administration.*

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES**Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities Arts and Artifacts Indemnity Panel Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463 as amended) notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Arts and Artifacts Indemnity Panel of the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities will be held at 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20506, in Room 730, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., on Friday, November 20, 1998.

The purpose of the meeting is to review applications for Certificates of Indemnity submitted to the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities for exhibitions beginning after January 1, 1999.

Because the proposed meeting will consider financial and commercial data and because it is important to keep values of objects, methods of transportation and security measures confidential, pursuant to the authority granted me by the Chairman's Delegation of Authority to Close Advisory Committee Meetings, dated July 19, 1993, I have determined that the meeting would fall within exemptions (4) and (9) of 5 U.S.C. 552(b) and that it is essential to close the meeting to protect the free exchange of views and to avoid interference with the operations of the Committee.

It is suggested that those desiring more specific information contact the Advisory Committee Management Officer, Nancy E. Weiss, 1100