

DEPARTMENT OF STATE**[Public Notice: 12263]****Advisory Committee on Historical Diplomatic Documentation—Notice of Closed and Open Meetings for 2024**

SUMMARY: The Advisory Committee on Historical Diplomatic Documentation will meet on March 11–12, September 9–10, and December 9–10, 2024, in open and closed sessions to discuss matters concerning declassification and transfer of Department of State records to the National Archives and Records Administration and the status of the *Foreign Relations* series.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions concerning the meeting should be directed to Adam M. Howard, Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee on Historical Diplomatic Documentation, Department of State, Office of the Historian, Washington, DC 20372, telephone (202) 955–0214, (email history@state.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Committee will meet virtually, in open session only, on June 10.

Open sessions for the meetings will take place from 10:00 a.m. until noon in SA–4D Conference Room 109, Department of State, 2300 E Street NW, Washington, DC 20372 (Potomac Navy Hill Annex), with a virtual option on March 11, September 9, and December 9. RSVP and requests for reasonable accommodation for each meeting should be sent as directed below:

- March 11, not later than March 4, 2024.
- June 10, not later than June 3, 2024 (virtual only).
- September 9, not later than September 2, 2024.
- December 9, not later than December 2, 2024.

Closed Sessions. The Committee's sessions in the afternoon of Monday, March 11, 2023; in the morning of Tuesday, March 12, 2024; in the afternoon of Monday, September 9, 2024; in the morning of Tuesday, September 10, 2024; in the afternoon of Monday, December 9, 2024; and in the morning of Tuesday, December 10, 2024, will be closed in accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463). The agenda calls for discussions of agency declassification decisions concerning the *Foreign Relations* series and other declassification issues. These are matters properly classified and not subject to public disclosure under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) and the public interest requires that such activities be withheld from disclosure.

RSVP Instructions. Prior notification and a valid government-issued photo ID (such as driver's license, passport, U.S. Government or military ID) are required for entrance into the Department of State building. Members of the public planning to attend the open meetings should RSVP, by the dates indicated above, to Julie Fort, Office of the Historian (202–955–0214). When responding, please provide date of birth, valid government-issued photo identification number and type (such as driver's license number/state, passport number/country, or U.S. Government ID number/agency or military ID number/branch), and relevant telephone numbers. If you cannot provide one of the specified forms of ID, please consult with Julie Fort for acceptable alternative forms of picture identification.

Personal data is requested pursuant to Public Law 99–399 (Omnibus Diplomatic Security and Antiterrorism Act of 1986), as amended; Public Law 107–56 (USA PATRIOT Act); and Executive Order 13356. The purpose of the collection is to validate the identity of individuals who enter Department facilities. The data will be entered into the Visitor Access Control System (VACS–D) database. Please see the Security Records System of Records Notice (State-36) at <https://www.state.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/Security-Records-STATE-36.pdf>, for additional information. Note that requests for reasonable accommodation received after the dates indicated in this notice will be considered but might not be possible to fulfill.

(Authority: 5 U.S.C. 1009, 22 U.S.C. 2651a, and 41 CFR 102–3.150)

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**[Docket No. EP 774]****Establishment of the Passenger Rail Advisory Committee**

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.
ACTION: Notice of establishment of a Federal advisory committee on passenger rail service.

SUMMARY: The Surface Transportation Board (Board) has determined that it is necessary and in the public interest to establish a Federal advisory committee on passenger rail service.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Please direct any questions to Brian O'Boyle, Designated Federal Officer, at (202) 245–0364 or Brian.OBoyle@stb.gov. If you require an accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act, please call (202) 245–0245.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. Chapter 10, the Board intends to establish a new federal advisory committee, the Passenger Rail Advisory Committee (PRAC or Committee), to provide advice and recommendations to the Board on issues relating to passenger rail service. In accordance with FACA, a charter of a newly created Committee has been prepared and will be filed with the Board's congressional oversight committees at least 15 days following the date of publication of this notice, after which the Board will issue a decision seeking nominations for individuals to serve on the new committee.

Objectives and Duties of the Committee

The purpose of the PRAC is to provide advice and guidance to the Board on passenger rail issues on a continuing basis to help the Board better fulfill its statutory responsibilities in overseeing certain aspects of passenger rail service. The Committee will provide a forum for the Board and stakeholders to discuss passenger rail issues in a manner that balances the interests of intercity and commuter rail passengers and operators, government entities, freight rail carriers and their customers, railway labor, and the general public. The Committee will function as a discretionary advisory body and will comply with the provisions of FACA and its implementing regulations.

The Committee is essential to the conduct of agency business, as the Board's responsibilities and duties relating to passenger rail have expanded and become more defined in recent years. The Committee would provide the Board with valuable insight to help it better carry out these responsibilities and duties.

The scope of the Committee's activities shall include providing information, advice, and recommendations to the Board on issues impacting the development and operation of railroad passenger services, including: improving efficiency on passenger rail routes; reducing disputes between passenger rail carriers and freight rail hosts regarding the use of freight rail carrier-owned facilities and infrastructure for passenger service, including passenger on-time

performance issues; and improving regulatory processes related to intercity passenger rail to the benefit of the public, the communities served by passenger rail, and the environment. The Board is interested in engaging with passenger rail stakeholders including the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak), other intercity passenger rail operators, commuter rail operators, states that fund passenger rail, freight railroads, passenger rail advocacy groups, and railway labor on these passenger rail-related issues. Each Committee meeting will better inform the Board as to passenger rail matters.

The duties of the Committee are solely advisory and will entail only the submission of non-binding advice and recommendations to the Board. No determinations of fact or policy will be made by the Committee, and the Committee will have no decision-making role or access to non-public Board information, including the Board's decision-making process or other confidential information.

Membership of the Committee

The PRAC shall consist of approximately 18 voting members who will comprise a balanced representation of individuals knowledgeable regarding passenger rail transportation, freight rail transportation, commuter rail operations, and transportation public policy. The voting membership shall include no fewer than:

- two representatives from Amtrak;
- two representatives from commuter rail operators whose operations use facilities owned and/or utilized by (i) Amtrak, (ii) other intercity passenger rail operators, or (iii) rail freight operators (for purposes of ensuring geographic diversity within PRAC's membership, these representatives cannot be from the same state as any of the state representatives described below and cannot be from the same state as each other);
- two representatives from existing intercity passenger rail operators other than Amtrak, or developers of new intercity passenger rail lines other than Amtrak;
- one representative from a state that provides funding for intercity passenger rail (for purposes of ensuring geographic diversity within PRAC's membership, this representative cannot be from the same state as any of the representatives of the commuter rail operators described above, or the representative from a state in which the intercity passenger rail stations are served only by long-distance trains described below);
- one representative from a state in which the intercity passenger rail

stations are served only by long-distance trains, *i.e.*, passenger trains serving the entirety of routes of more than 750 miles between endpoints (for purposes of ensuring geographic diversity within PRAC's membership, this representative cannot be from the same state as any of the representatives of the commuter rail operators described above or the representative from the state that provides funding for intercity passenger rail described above);

- two representatives from Class I freight railroads;
- one representative from a Class II or Class III freight railroad;
- one representative from an organized rail labor association;
- two representatives from rail passenger advocacy organizations;
- one representative from a rail shipper or customer advocacy organization or an individual shipper or customer; and
- three at-large representatives with relevant experience (including, but not limited to, individuals involved in the design or construction of passenger rail equipment or infrastructure, in the provision of passenger rail analytic or consulting services, in transportation planning, or in transportation-related public policy work).

All voting members of the Committee shall serve on the Committee in a representative capacity on behalf of their respective industry or stakeholder group. The Members of the Board shall serve as *ex officio* (non-voting) members. The Chair of the Board may also invite representatives from the U.S. Department of Transportation to serve on the PRAC in an advisory capacity. These federal governmental representatives will serve as *ex officio* (non-voting) members.

The PRAC will meet at least twice a year, and meetings will be open to the public, consistent with the Government in the Sunshine Act, Public Law 94 409 (1976). Information about the PRAC will be posted on the Board's website at: <https://www.stb.gov/resources/stakeholder-committees/prac/>.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 1321; 49 U.S.C. 24101.

Decided: November 6, 2023.

By the Board, Board Members Fuchs, Hedlund, Oberman, Primus, and Schultz.

Kenyatta Clay,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No. FAA-2021-1138]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of a New Approval of Information Collection: Computerized Neurocognitive Tests for Aeromedical Safety

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.
ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for a new information collection. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on December 16, 2021. The collection involves in-person sessions between researchers and certified pilots. Computerized neurocognitive tests are a non-invasive way to measure cognitive function (*e.g.*, attention, working memory, information processing speed, reaction time) and are used as part of the FAA's overall aeromedical physical exam process to determine if a pilot is safe to operate an aircraft within the National Airspace System (NAS). Neurocognitive tests are required only for pilots with certain medical conditions associated with aeromedically significant cognitive impairments (*i.e.*, not all pilots are tested). The FAA needs to ensure that the tests and data used to maintain the safety of the NAS are based on the most current scientific knowledge. The purpose of this IC effort is to obtain updated pilot normative data for the neurocognitive tests under consideration. The information collection (IC) effort will be used to potentially revise the FAA's *Aviation Medical Examiners (AME) Guide*, update clinical practices, and assure aeromedical safety. Information will be collected from representative pilots across the United States, who will complete two different 1-hour neurocognitive tests. Total IC effort/time per person will be approximately four hours (*i.e.*, to include check-in processing, informed consent, neurocognitive test-taking, rest breaks, and participant debrief).

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by December 13, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed