A. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to respond to the needs of our constituents with respect to overall competitive market conditions and customer satisfaction.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange represents that proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,[2] in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4)[3] in particular, in that it provides for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among the Exchange's members and other persons using its facilities.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any inappropriate burden on competition.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others

The Exchange has neither solicited nor received written comments on the proposed rule change.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The foregoing rule change constitutes or changes a due, fee, or other charge imposed by the Exchange and, therefore, has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act[4] and subparagraph (3)(2) of Rule 19b–4 thereunder.[5]

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. 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 inspection and copying at the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the New York Stock Exchange. All submissions should refer to File No. SR–NYSE–97–35 and should be submitted by January 23, 1998.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.[6]

Jonathan G. Katz,

Secretary.

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[2] 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

[3] 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

[4] 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

[5] 17 CFR 240.19b–4(e)(2).

[6] 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice #2672]

Determination on International Development Association's Reconstruction Assistance Project (RAP) Credit to Bosnia

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by section 573(e) of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1998 (''FOAA,'' Pub. L. 105–188), I hereby waive the application of section 573(b) of the FOAA with regard to the International Development Association's (IDA) Reconstruction Assistance Project Credit.

I hereby determine the IDA Reconstruction Assistance Project directly supports the implementation of the Dayton Agreement and its Annexes.

This Determination shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: December 15, 1997.

Strobe Talbott,

Acting Secretary of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice #2673]

Determination on USAID Bilateral Assistance to the Republika Srpska

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by section 573(e) of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1998 (''FOAA,'' Pub. L. 105–118), I hereby waive the application of section 573(a) of the FOAA with regard to USAID-funded programs in the Republika Srpska.

I hereby determine that USAID's Municipal Infrastructure and Services Program, Bosnia Business Development Program, Economic Reform Program and Democratic Reform Program directly support the implementation of the Dayton Agreement and its Annexes.

This Determination shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: December 15, 1997.

Strobe Talbott,

Acting, Secretary of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice No. 2668]

Advisory Committee on International Communications and Information Policy; Meeting Notice

The Department of State is holding the next meeting of its Advisory Committee on International Communications and Information Policy. The Committee provides 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 guest speakers at the meeting will include Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs Princeton Lyman who will talk about the United Nation organizations, including the International Telecommunication Union. Also, Mr. Bruce Lehman, Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks will speak on current

issues involving intellectual property rights.

In addition, the purpose of this meeting will be to hear reports from the working groups of 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, January 29, 1998, from 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. in Room 1105 of the Main Building of the U.S. Department of State, located at 2201 ''C'' Street, N.W., Washington, DC 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 Shirlett Brewer at (202) 647–8345 or by fax at (202) 647–0158. 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: December 15th, 1997.

Timothy C. Finton,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice No. 2675]

Shipping Coordinating Committee; Subcommittee on Safety of Life at Sea; Working Group on Dangerous Goods, Solid Cargoes and Containers; Meeting Notice

The Working Group on Dangerous Goods, Solid Cargoes and Containers (DSC) of the Subcommittee on Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) will conduct an open meeting at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, January 21, 1998, in Room 2415, at U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593–0001. The purpose of the meeting is to finalize preparations for the Third Session of the DSC Subcommittee of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) which is scheduled for February 9–13, 1998, at the IMO Headquarters in London.

The agenda items of particular interest are:

a. Amendment 29 to the International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code, its Annexes and Supplements including harmonization of the IMDG Code with the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods.

b. Implementation of Annex III of the Marine Pollution Convention (MARPOL 73/78), as amended.

c. Revision of the format of the IMDG Code.

d. Amendments to SOLAS chapters VI and VII to make the IMDG Code mandatory.

e. Amendments to SOLAS chapter VII to make the Irradiated Nuclear Fuel (INF) Code mandatory.

f. Implementation of IMO instruments and training requirements for cargo-related matters, including revision of resolution A.537(13) and development of multimodal training requirements.

g. Revision of the Emergency Schedules (EmS).

h. Revision of MSC/Circ.613 to include offshore tank containers.

i. Amendments to the Bulk Solids Code, including evaluation of properties of solid bulk cargoes.

j. Reports on incidents involving dangerous goods or marine pollutants in packaged form on board ships or in port areas.

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. Interested persons may seek information by writing: Mr. E. P. Pfersich, U.S. Coast Guard (G–MSO–3), 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593–0001 or by calling (202) 267–1577.

Dated: December 19, 1997.

Russell A. La Mantia,

Chairman, Shipping Coordinating Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Proposed Advisory Circular (AC) 23.1419–2A, Certification of 14 CFR Part 23 Airplanes for Flight in Icing Conditions

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of availability of Proposed Advisory Circular (AC) 23.1419–2A, and request for comments.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of and request for comments on a proposed AC, which provides information and guidance concerning certification of part 23 airplanes for flight in icing conditions.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 3, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments on the proposed AC to: Federal Aviation Administration, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service, Standards Office (ACE–110), 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ervin Dvorak, Standards Office (ACE–111), Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service, Federal Aviation Administration; telephone number (816) 426–6941.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Any person may obtain a copy of this proposed AC by contacting the person named above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

COMMENTS INVITED: We invite interested parties to submit comments on the proposed AC. Commenters must identify AC 23.1419–2A and submit comments to the address specified above. The FAA will consider all communications received on or before the closing date for comments before issuing the final AC. The proposed AC and comments received may be inspected at the Standards Office (ACE–110), Suite 900, 1201 Walnut, Kansas City, Missouri, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. weekdays, except Federal holidays.

BACKGROUND: This Advisory Circular, AC 23.1419–2A, Certification of Part 23 Airplanes for Flight in Icing Conditions, sets forth an acceptable means, but not the only means of demonstrating compliance with the ice protection requirements in 14 CFR part 23. The FAA will consider other methods of demonstrating compliance that an applicant may elect to present. This material is neither mandatory nor regulatory in nature and does not constitute a regulation. This AC will cancel AC 23.1419–2, Certification of Part 23 Airplanes for Flight in Icing Conditions, dated January 3, 1992. This AC revises AC 23.1419–2 for icing certification for part 23 airplanes to address the following NTSB Recommendations: A–91–90, A–92–64, and A–92–86, the later amendments (23–41, 23–42, 23–43, 23–45, and 23–49) in part 23, and it provides information regarding tail plane icing.

The FAA Inflight Aircraft Icing Plan has tasks to improve the regulations and guidance related to certification of airplanes for operation in icing conditions defined by Appendix C and,