whales to acoustic deterrent devices. Takes may occur by close approach to collect photographs, recordings of vocalizations, biopsy samples, prey parts, sloughed skin, to attach suction cup tags, and to document response to acoustic deterrents. Sei (*Balaenoptera borealis*), blue (*Balaenoptera musculus*), minke (*Balaenoptera acutorostrata*), sperm (*Physeter microcephalus*), and North Pacific right whales (*Eubalaena japonica*) may be taken by close approach to collect photographs and biopsy samples. Other species of marine mammals might be incidentally harassed during research activities. A minor amendment to the permit (No. 14296–01) was issued on June 19, 2012 to allow researchers to attach tags using a carbon fiber wind surfing mast (*i.e.,* a pole).

The current minor amendment (No. 14296–02) extends the duration of the permit through July 31, 2016, but does not change any other terms or conditions of the permit.

Dated: July 9, 2015.

Julia Harrison,

Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

[Docket ID: USA–2015–0027]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995,* the Department of the Army announces a proposed revision of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by September 28, 2015.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:http://www.regulations.gov.* Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Department of Defense, Office of the Deputy Chief Management Officer, Directorate of Oversight and Compliance, Regulatory and Audit Matters Office, 9010 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–9010.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at *http://www.regulations.gov* as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

Any associated form(s) for this collection may be located within this same electronic docket and downloaded for review/testing. Follow the instructions at *http://www.regulations.gov* for submitting comments. Please submit comments on any given form identified by docket number, form number, and title.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 441 G Street NW., Washington, DC 20314–1000, Attn: CECW–CO–R, or call Department of the Army Reports clearance officer at (703) 428–6440.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Application for a Department of the Army Permit; ENG Form 4345, OMB Control Number 0710–0003.

Needs and Uses: Information collected is used to evaluate, as required by law, proposed construction or filing in waters of the United States that result in impacts to the aquatic environment and nearby properties, and to determine if issuance of a permit is in the public interest. Respondents are private landowners, businesses, non-profit organizations, and government agencies. Respondents also include sponsors of proposed and approved mitigation banks and in-lieu fee programs.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; farms; Federal government; State; local or tribal government.

Annual Burden Hours: 880,000.

Number of Respondents: 80,000.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 11 hours.

Frequency: On occasion.

The Corps of Engineers is required by three federal laws, passed by Congress, to regulate construction-related activities in waters of the United States. This is accomplished through the review of applications for permits to do this work.

Dated: July 23, 2015.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

National Commission on the Future of the Army; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Deputy Chief Management Officer, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The DoD is publishing this notice to announce two days of meetings of the National Commission on the Future of the Army (''the Commission''). The meetings will be partially closed to the public.

DATES: Date of the Closed Meeting: Monday, August 17, 2015, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Date of the Open Meeting: Tuesday, August 18, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES:

Address of Closed Meeting, August 17, 2015: Rm 12110, 5th Floor, Zachary Taylor Building, 2530 Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA 22202.

Address of Open Meeting, August 18, 2015: Polk Conference Room, Room 12158, James Polk Building, 2521 S. Clark St., Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Don Tison, Designated Federal Officer, National Commission on the Future of the Army, 700 Army Pentagon, Room 3E406, Washington, DC 20310–0700, Email: *dfo.public@ncfa.ncr.gov.* Desk (703) 692–9099. Facsimile (703) 697–8242.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting will be held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory

Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102–3.150.

Purpose of Meetings:

During the closed meeting on Monday, August 17, 2015, the Commission will hear classified testimony from individual witnesses, members from two subcommittees and engage in discussion on the roles the Army fills in Combatant Commands, Current and Future operational environment and threats to the land forces in the Area of Responsibly.

During the open meeting on Tuesday, August 18, 2015, the Commission will hear comments from a panel of representatives from the Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and Joint Staff, representatives from the RAND Corporation, the Public will have the opportunity to provide verbal comments, and immediately afterwards the Commission will discuss topics raised during the organizational and public comment session.

Agendas:

August 17, 2015—Closed Hearing: The Commission will hear comments from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, Combatant Commanders and representatives from the Operational and the Aviation Sub Committees. The Combatant Commanders have been asked to address: The current and future operational environment and threats for land forces in Area of Responsibility, Roles that Army forces fulfill in COCOM including Executive Agency missions, Army forces contribution to Theater Security Cooperation including State Partnership for Peace activities, Current and Future operational and strategic network threats and Multi Composition Integration.

Speakers include, but are not limited to; Deputy Secretary of Defense, representatives from U.S. Pacific Command, U.S. Southern Command, and U.S. Cyber Command. All presentations and resulting discussion are classified.

August 18, 2015—Open Hearing: The Commission will hear verbal comments from representatives from the United States Navy, United States Air Force, United States Marine Corps, and the Joint Staff on Department interdependence. The RAND corporation will present an analysis of Risk as it relates to the size of the Army. Time will be allocated for public comment and immediately afterwards the Commission will discuss topics raised during the Organizational and public comments session.

Meeting Accessibility:

In accordance with applicable law, 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), and 41 CFR 102–3.155, the DoD has determined that the portion of the meeting scheduled for Monday, August 17, 2015, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. will be closed to the public. Specifically, the Assistant Deputy Chief Management Officer, with the coordination of the DoD FACA Attorney, has determined in writing that this portion of the meeting will be closed to the public because it will discuss matters covered by 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1).

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165 and the availability of space, the meeting scheduled for August 18, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the James Polk Building is open to the public. Seating is limited and pre-registration is strongly encouraged. Media representatives are also encouraged to register. Members of the media must comply with the rules of photography and video filming in the James Polk Building. The closest public parking facility is located in the basement and along the streets. Visitors will be required to present one form of photograph identification. Visitors to the James Polk Office Building will be screened by a magnetometer, and all items that are permitted inside the building will be screened by an x-ray device. Visitors should keep their belongings with them at all times. The following items are strictly prohibited in the James Polk Office Building: Any pointed object, *e.g.,* knitting needles and letter openers (pens and pencils are permitted); any bag larger than 18″ wide x 14″ high x 8.5″ deep; electric stun guns, martial arts weapons or devices; guns, replica guns, ammunition and fireworks; knives of any size; mace and pepper spray; razors and box cutters.

Written Comments:

Pursuant to section 10(a)(3) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments to the Commission in response to the stated agenda of the open and/or closed meeting or the Commission's mission. The Designated Federal Officer (DFO) will review all submitted written statements. Written comments should be submitted to Mr. Donald Tison, DFO, via facsimile or electronic mail, the preferred modes of submission. Each page of the comment must include the author's name, title or affiliation, address, and daytime phone number. All comments received before Friday, August 14, 2015, will be provided to the Commission before the August 18, 2015, meeting. Comments received after Friday, August 14, 2015, will be provided to the Commission before its next meeting. All contact information may be found in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Oral Comments:

In addition to written statements, twenty minutes will be reserved for individuals or interest groups to address the Commission on August 18, 2015. Those interested in presenting oral comments to the Commission must summarize their oral statement in writing and submit with their registration. The Commission's staff will assign time to oral commenters at the meeting; no more than five minutes each for individuals. While requests to make an oral presentation to the Commission will be honored on a first come, first served basis, other opportunities for oral comments will be provided at future meetings.

Registration:

Individuals and entities who wish to attend the public hearing and meeting on Tuesday, August 18, 2015 are encouraged to register for the event with the DFO using the electronic mail and facsimile contact information found in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. The communication should include the registrant's full name, title, affiliation or employer, email address, day time phone number. This information will assist the Commission in contacting individuals should it decide to do so at a later date. If applicable, include written comments and a request to speak during the oral comment session. (Oral comment requests must be accompanied by a summary of your presentation.) Registrations and written comments should be typed.

Additional Information:

The DoD sponsor for the Commission is the Deputy Chief Management Officer. The Commission is tasked to submit a report, containing a comprehensive study and recommendations, by February 1, 2016 to the President of the United States and the Congressional defense committees. The report will contain a detailed statement of the findings and conclusions of the Commission, together with its recommendations for such legislation and administrative actions it may consider appropriate in light of the results of the study. The comprehensive study of the structure of the Army will determine whether, and how, the structure should be modified to best fulfill current and anticipated mission requirements for the Army in a manner consistent with available resources.

Dated: July 23, 2015.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID DoD–2014–HA–0086]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by August 27, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Licari, 571–372–0493.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title, Associated Form and OMB Number: DoD Patient Safety Survey; OMB Control Number 0720–0034.

Type of Request: Reinstatement.

Number of Respondents: 14,022.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 14,022.

Average Burden per Response: 10 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 2,337.

Needs and Uses: The DoD Patient Safety Culture Survey will be critical to evaluate and better assess the needs of MHS facilities to promote patient safety culture. Survey results will be prepared at the facility and Service levels, as well as MHS overall. Facilities will benefit by being given the opportunity to receive feedback about their staff's responses to the survey, which will provide insight into their strengths and areas for improvements the survey will provide an overview of the status of Service and MHS patient safety to higher leadership, who can then appropriately allocate the necessary resources and tools to decrease medical errors and improve safety.

Affected Public: Federal Government; individuals or households.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. Josh Brammer.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be emailed to Mr. Josh Brammer, DoD Desk Officer, at *Oira_submission@omb.eop.gov.* Please identify the proposed information collection by DoD Desk Officer and the Docket ID number and title of the information collection.

You may also submit comments and recommendations, identified by Docket ID number and title, by the following method:

• *Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov.* Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, Docket ID number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at *http://www.regulations.gov* as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

DoD Clearance Officer: Mr. Frederick Licari.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Licari at WHS/ESD Directives Division, 4800 Mark Center Drive, East Tower, Suite 02G09, Alexandria, VA 22350–3100.

Dated: July 22, 2015.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 15–40]

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of a section 36(b)(1) arms sales notification. This is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Pub. L. 104–164 dated July 21, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Sarah A. Ragan or Ms. Heather N. Harwell, DSCA/LMO, (703) 604–1546 or (703) 607–5339.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 15–40 with attached Policy Justification and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: July 23, 2015.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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