

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**National Committee on Foreign Medical Education and Accreditation; Meeting**

AGENCY: National Committee on Foreign Medical Education and Accreditation, Department of Education.

What Is the Purpose of This Notice?

The purpose of this notice is to announce the upcoming meeting of the National Committee on Foreign Medical Education and Accreditation. Parts of this meeting will be open to the public, and the public is invited to attend those portions.

When and Where Will the Meeting Take Place?

We will hold the meeting on September 15, 2000 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the U.S. Department of Education, in the 8th Floor Conference Center, 1990 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006.

What Access Does the Conference Center Provide for Individuals With Disabilities?

The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you will need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the meeting (*e.g.*, interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in an alternate format), notify the contact person listed in this notice at least two weeks before the scheduled meeting date. Although we will attempt to meet a request received after that date, we may not be able to make available the requested auxiliary aid or service because of insufficient time to arrange it.

What Are the Functions of the Committee?

The National Committee on Foreign Medical Education and Accreditation was established by the Secretary of Education under section 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended by Public Law 105-244. The Committee's responsibilities are to (1) evaluate the standards of accreditation applied to applicant foreign medical schools; and (2) determine the comparability of those standards to standards for accreditation applied to United States medical schools.

What Are the Issues To Be Considered At This Meeting?

The National Committee on Foreign Medical Education and Accreditation will review the standards of accreditation applied to medical schools by several foreign countries to determine whether those standards are

comparable to the standards of accreditation applied to medical schools in the United States. Discussions of the standards of accreditation will be held in sessions open to the public. Discussions that focus on specific determinations of comparability are closed to the public in order that each country may be properly notified of the decision. Beginning August 18, you may call to obtain the identity of the countries whose standards are to be evaluated during this meeting.

Who Is the Contact Person for the Meeting?

Please contact Bonnie LeBold, who is the Executive Director of the National Committee on Foreign Medical Education and Accreditation, if you have questions about the meeting. You may contact her at the U.S. Department of Education, 7th Floor—Rm. 7007, 1990 K St. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006, telephone: (202) 219-7009, fax: (202) 219-7008, e-mail: Bonnie_LeBold@ed.gov. Individuals who use telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Agency Information Collection Under Review by the Office of Management and Budget**

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Submission for OMB review; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) has submitted renewals for an additional three years for the information collection(s) listed at the end of this notice to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review under sections 3507(h)(1) and 3506(c) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13).

Each entry contains the following information: (1) The collection number and title; (2) a summary of the collection of information, type of request (new, revision, extension, or reinstatement), response obligation (mandatory, voluntary, or required to obtain or retain benefits); (3) a description of the need and proposed use of the information; (4) a description of the likely respondents; and (5) an estimate of the total annual reporting burden (*i.e.*, the estimated

number of likely respondents times the proposed frequency of response per year times the average hours per response).

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before October 2, 2000. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments but find it difficult to do so within the time allowed by this notice, you should advise the OMB DOE Desk Officer listed below of your intention to do so as soon as possible. The OMB DOE Desk Officer may be telephoned at (202) 395-3084. (Also, please notify the DOE contact listed below.)

ADDRESSES: Address comments to the Department of Energy Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 726 Jackson Place NW., Washington, D.C. 20503. (Comments should also be addressed to the Office of Information, Records and Resource Management at the address below.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to Peter J. Grahn, Jr., Office of Information, Records and Resource Management (SO-31), Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, D.C. 20585-0670. Mr. Grahn may be contacted by telephone at (301) 903-4653, FAX at (301) 903-6223, or e-mail at Peter.Grahn@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The information collections submitted to OMB for review were:

1. *Current OMB No.:* 1910-0400.
Package Title: Financial Assistance.
Summary: A three-year extension is requested, which includes both mandatory and response to obtain or retain benefits. *Purpose:* This information is required by the Department to manage all phases of the process of awarding, administering and closing out financial assistance awards. The package contains 58 information and/or recordkeeping requirements. *Type of Respondents:* DOE management and operating contractors and offsite contractors. *Estimated Number of Responses:* 66,705. *Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 664,673.

2. *Current OMB No.:* 1910-1000.
Package Title: Personal Property.
Summary: A three-year extension is requested for these mandatory response obligations. *Purpose:* This provides the Department with the information necessary for the management, control, reutilization, and disposal of government personal property. The package contains 29 information and/or recordkeeping requirements. *Type of Respondents:* DOE management and operating contractors and offsite contractors. *Estimated Number of*