

and non-citizen nationals who complete and submit the Application for a U.S. Passport by Mail. Passport applicants can either download the DS-82 from the Internet or obtain one from an Acceptance Facility/Passport Agency. The form must be completed, signed, and submitted along with the applicant's previous U.S. passport.

U.S. citizens overseas may download the DS-82 from the Internet or obtain one from the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate. As noted on the form, U.S. citizens overseas (except Canada) must apply for their passport at the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate in accordance with instructions on the Embassy/Consulate Web site.

The Department estimates that these changes will not result in an increase in the current burden time of 40 minutes.

Dated: August 29, 2013.

**Brenda S. Sprague,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8459]

### Notice of Public Meeting of the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) Scientific Advisory Board

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), the PEPFAR Scientific Advisory Board (hereinafter referred to as "the Board") will meet from October 2-3, 2013 at the Sheraton Crystal City at 1800 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Arlington, Virginia 22202. The meeting will last from 9 a.m. until approximately 5 p.m. on October 2nd and from 9 a.m. until approximately 3 p.m. on October 3rd and is open to the public.

The meeting will be hosted by the Office of the U.S. Global AIDS Coordinator, and led by Ambassador Eric Goosby, who leads implementation of the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR).

The Board serves the Global AIDS Coordinator in a solely advisory capacity concerning scientific, implementation, and policy issues related to the global response to HIV/AIDS. These issues will be of concern as they influence the priorities and direction of PEPFAR evaluation and research, the content of national and international strategies and implementation, and the role of PEPFAR in international discourse

regarding an appropriate and resourced response. Topics for the meeting will include an update on current PEPFAR-funded implementation science activities; recommendations to Ambassador Goosby on the care and treatment cascade, adherence/retention issues; and research priorities for the PEPFAR portfolio.

The public may attend this meeting as seating capacity allows. Admittance to the meeting will be by means of a pre-arranged clearance list. In order to be placed on the list and, if applicable, to request reasonable accommodation, please register at [www.regonline.com/pepfarsab](http://www.regonline.com/pepfarsab). While the meeting is open to public attendance, the Board will determine procedures for public participation. Requests for reasonable accommodation that are made after September 25, might not be possible to fulfill.

For further information about the meeting, please contact Dr. Amy DuBois, Acting Director of the Office of Research and Science, Office of the U.S. Global AIDS Coordinator at [PEPFAR\\_SAB@state.gov](mailto:PEPFAR_SAB@state.gov).

Dated: August 29, 2013.

**Amy DuBois,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8460]

### Determinations Regarding Use of Chemical Weapons in Syria Under the Chemical and Biological Weapons Control and Warfare Elimination Act of 1991

**AGENCY:** Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation, Department of State.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Government has determined on August 2, pursuant to Section 306(a) of the Chemical and Biological Weapons Control and Warfare Elimination Act of 1991, 22 U.S.C. 5604(a), that the Government of Syria has used chemical weapons in violation of international law or lethal chemical weapons against its own nationals. In addition, the United States Government has determined and certified to Congress pursuant to section 307(d) of the Act (22 U.S.C. 5605(d)) that it is essential to the national security interests of the United States to partially waive the application

of the sanctions required under Section 307(a) of the Act (22 U.S.C. 5605(a)) with respect to activities in furtherance of United States policies regarding the Syrian conflict. The following is notice of sanctions to be imposed pursuant to Section 307(a) of the Act (22 U.S.C. 5605(a)), subject to the waiver described above.

**DATES: Effective Date:** Upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to Sections 306(a), 307(a), and 307(d) of the Chemical and Biological Weapons Control and Warfare Elimination Act of 1991, as amended (22 U.S.C. 5604(a) and 5605(a)), on August 2, 2013 the Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs: (1) Determined that the Government of Syria has used chemical weapons in violation of international law or lethal chemical weapons against its own nationals; and (2) determined and certified to Congress that it is essential to the national security interests of the United States to partially waive the application of the sanctions required under Section 307(a) with respect to certain activities determined by the United States Government to be in furtherance of United States policies regarding the Syrian conflict. As a result, the following sanctions are hereby imposed, subject to waivers as described above:

1. Foreign Assistance: Termination of assistance to Syria under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, except for urgent humanitarian assistance and food or other agricultural commodities or products.

2. Arms Sales: Termination of (a) sales to Syria under the Arms Export Control Act of any defense articles, defense services, or design and construction services, and (b) licenses for the export to Syria of any item on the United States Munitions List.

3. Arms Sales Financing: Termination of all foreign military financing for Syria under the Arms Export Control Act.

4. Denial of United States Government Credit or Other Financial Assistance: Denial to Syria of any credit, credit guarantees, or other financial assistance by any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government, including the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

5. Exports of National Security-Sensitive Goods and Technology: