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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Task Force on Research on Violence Against American Indian and Alaska Native Women Meeting

AGENCY: Office on Violence Against Women, United States Department of Justice.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), U.S. Department of Justice has scheduled a meeting of the Task Force on Research on Violence Against American Indian and Alaska Native Women (hereinafter “the Task Force”).

DATES: The meeting will take place on February 10, 2025, from 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. (eastern standard time).

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held at 999 9th Street NW, Washington, DC 20001. The meeting will also be available online via a video conferencing platform.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Visit the OVW website at <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/section-904-task-force> or contact Sherriann C. Moore, Deputy Director, Tribal Affairs Division, Office on Violence Against Women, United States Department of Justice, at (202) 616–0039 or ovw.tribalaffairs@usdoj.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is required under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Title IX of the Violence Against Women Act of 2005 (VAWA 2005), as amended, required the Attorney General to establish a task force to assist the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) in developing and implementing a program of research on violence against American Indian and Alaska Native women, to include studies on domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, murder, and sex trafficking experienced by American Indian and Alaska Native women living in Indian country and Alaska. NIJ’s program of research has supported studies on these crimes against American Indian and Alaska Native women and responses to these serious crimes. The Attorney General, acting through the Director of the Office on Violence Against Women,

established the Task Force on March 31, 2008, and the charter has been renewed every two years since then.

More information on the Task Force may be found at <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/section-904-task-force> and about the NIJ program of research at: <https://nij.ojp.gov/topics/tribal-crime-and-justice>.

This meeting will include an introduction of new Task Force members, an update on NIJ’s recent framing papers, and a facilitated Task Force discussion and recommendations addressing violence against American Indian and Alaska Native Women. In addition, the Task Force is also welcoming public oral comment at this meeting and has reserved 30 minutes for this. The meeting will take place on February 10, 2025, from 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Time will be reserved for public comment from 5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. See the section below for information on reserving time for public comment.

Access: The meeting will be held at 999 9th Street NW, Washington, DC 20001 and will also be available online via a video conferencing platform. Members of the public who wish to participate must register in advance of the meeting online, no later than February 5, 2025. Details about registration can be found on the OVW website: <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/section-904-task-force>. Should issues arise with online or email registration, the public should contact Sherriann C. Moore, Deputy Director, Tribal Affairs Division, Office on Violence Against Women, at (202) 616–0039 or ovw.tribalaffairs@usdoj.gov.

Written Comments: Interested parties are invited to submit written comments by February 5, 2025, to Sherriann C. Moore, Deputy Director, Tribal Affairs Division, Office on Violence Against Women, at (202) 616–0039 or ovw.tribalaffairs@usdoj.gov.

Public Comment: Persons interested in participating during the public comment period of the meeting are requested to reserve time on the agenda by contacting Sherriann C. Moore, Deputy Director, Tribal Affairs Division, Office on Violence Against Women, at (202) 616–0039 or ovw.tribalaffairs@usdoj.gov. Requests must include the participant’s name, the organization represented, if appropriate, and a brief description of the subject of the comments. Each participant will be permitted approximately 3 to 5 minutes to present comments, depending on the number of individuals reserving time on the agenda. Participants are also encouraged to submit written copies of their comments at the meeting. Comments that are submitted to

Sherriann C. Moore, Deputy Director, Tribal Affairs Division, Office on Violence Against Women, at (202) 616–0039 or ovw.tribalaffairs@usdoj.gov on or before February 5, 2025, will be circulated to Task Force members prior to the meeting.

Given the expected number of individuals interested in presenting comments at the meeting, reservations should be made as soon as possible.

Rosemarie Hidalgo,

Director, Office on Violence Against Women.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Proposed Consent Decree Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

On January 10, 2025, the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) filed a Complaint and lodged a proposed Consent Decree with the United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois in the lawsuit entitled *United States of America v. General Dynamics-Ordnance and Tactical Systems et al.*, Civil Action No. 3:25-cv-00046.

The proposed Consent Decree resolves claims brought by the United States under section 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9607, for releases and threatened releases of hazardous substances at the Additional and Uncharacterized Sites Operable Unit (“AUS OU”), which is part of the Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge Superfund Site located near Marion, Illinois. The proposed settlement would resolve claims against General Dynamics-Ordnance and Tactical Systems, Inc. (“GD–OTS”), Crane Company, The Ensign-Bickford Company, Illinois Tool Works Inc., Olin Corporation, United States Surgical Corporation, Mallinckrodt US LLC, The Sherwin Williams Company, and Mason Hanger Corporation (collectively, “Defendants”) for response costs incurred by the Department of the Interior (“DOI”) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”). The proposed settlement would also resolve potential counterclaims by GD–OTS against DOI, the Department of the Army, the Bureau of Prisons, and the General Services Administration (collectively “Settling Federal Agencies”), for the Settling Federal Agencies’ share of response costs GD–OTS has incurred and will

incur to implement an Administrative Order on Consent to perform a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study for the AUS OU, and for the Settling Federal Agencies' share of DOI's and EPA's past response costs. Under the proposed settlement, the Settling Federal Agencies will reimburse GD-OTS \$24.3 million for past response costs and agree to reimburse 48% of GD-OTS' future response costs on a "pay-as-you-go" basis. The Defendants will reimburse DOI for \$3.1 million and EPA for \$54,000 in past response costs. The Settling Federal Agencies will also reimburse DOI for \$2.9 million and EPA for \$50,000.

The publication of this notice opens a period for public comment on the proposed Consent Decree. Comments should be addressed to Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and should refer to *United States of America v. General Dynamics-Ordnance and Tactical Systems et al.*, D.J. Ref. No. 90-11-3-643/17. All comments must be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the publication date of this notice. Comments may be submitted by email or mail:

To submit comments	Send them to
By e-mail	pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov
By mail	Assistant Attorney General U.S. DOJ-ENRD P.O. Box 7611 Washington, D.C. 20044-7611

Any comments submitted in writing may be filed in whole or in part on the public court docket without notice to the commenter. During the public comment period, the proposed Consent Decree may be examined and downloaded at this Justice Department website: <https://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decrees>. If you require assistance accessing the proposed Consent Decree, you may request assistance by email or by mail to the addresses provided above for submitting comments.

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Assistant Section Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employee Benefits Security Administration

[Exemption Application No. D-12102]

Proposed Exemption for the Royal Bank of Canada and Its Current and Future Affiliates (Collectively, RBC or the Applicant) Located in Toronto, Ontario, Canada

AGENCY: Employee Benefits Security Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice of proposed exemption.

SUMMARY: This document provides notice of the pendency before the Department of Labor (the Department) of a proposed individual exemption from certain of the prohibited transaction restrictions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA or the Act) and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the Code). This proposed exemption would permit certain qualified professional asset managers with specified relationships to Royal Bank of Canada Trust Company (Bahamas) Limited, and certain current and future affiliates of the Royal Bank of Canada (collectively, the RBC QPAMs), to continue to rely on the class exemptive relief granted in Prohibited Transaction Exemption (PTE) 84-14 (PTE 84-14, or the QPAM Exemption), notwithstanding the March 5, 2024 judgment of conviction against Royal Bank of Canada Trust Company (Bahamas) Limited (RBCTC Bahamas) for aiding and abetting tax fraud, entered in France in the Paris Court of Appeal.

DATES:

Exemption date: This proposed exemption would be in effect beginning on March 5, 2025, and ending on March 4, 2030 (the Exemption Period).

Comments due: Written comments and requests for a public hearing on the proposed exemption should be submitted to the Department by March 3, 2025.

ADDRESSES: All written comments and requests for a hearing should be submitted to the Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA), Office of Exemption Determinations, Attention: Application No. D-12102 via email to e-OED@dol.gov or online through <https://www.regulations.gov>. Any such comments or requests should be sent by the end of the scheduled comment period. The application for exemption and the comments received will be available for public inspection in the Public Disclosure Room of the Employee Benefits Security

Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-1515, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210 (202) 693-8673). See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** below for additional information regarding comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Blessed ChukSORJI-Keefe of the Department at (202) 693-8567. (This is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments: Persons are encouraged to submit all comments electronically and not to submit paper copies. Comments should state the nature of the person's interest in the proposed exemption and how the person would be adversely affected by the exemption, if granted. Any person who may be adversely affected by an exemption can request a hearing on the exemption. A request for a hearing must state: (1) the name, address, telephone number, and email address of the person making the request; (2) the nature of the person's interest in the exemption, and the manner in which the person would be adversely affected by the exemption; and (3) a statement of the issues to be addressed and a general description of the evidence to be presented at the hearing. The Department will grant a request for a hearing made in accordance with the requirements above where a hearing is necessary to fully explore material factual issues identified by the person requesting the hearing. A notice of such hearing shall be published by the Department in the **Federal Register**. The Department may decline to hold a hearing if:

(1) the request for the hearing does not meet the requirements above; (2) the only issues identified for exploration at the hearing are matters of law; or (3) the factual issues identified can be fully explored through the submission of evidence in written (including electronic) form.

Warning: All comments received will be included in the public record without change and may be made available online at <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be confidential or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. If you submit a comment, EBSA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment, but DO NOT submit information that you consider to be confidential, or otherwise protected (such as a Social Security number or an unlisted phone number) or confidential business information that you do not