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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION

Meeting of the United States Travel and Tourism Advisory Board

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce

ACTION: Notice of an Open Meeting

SUMMARY: The United States Travel and Tourism Advisory Board (Board) will hold its first meeting with the newly appointed Secretary of Commerce on Friday, March 31, 2017. The Board was re-chartered in August 2015 and advises the Secretary of Commerce on matters relating to the U.S. travel and tourism industry. During the meeting, the Secretary of Commerce will provide an overview of the Administration's policy priorities with respect to the travel and tourism sector, and the Board will discuss key issues impacting travel and tourism companies.

The Board will also deliberate on and may adopt recommendations related to travel security and the customer experience, visa facilitation, key market engagement, and research. The final agenda will be posted on the Department of Commerce Web site for the Board at <http://trade.gov/ttab>, at least one week in advance of the meeting.

DATES: Friday, March 31, 2017, 9 a.m.–12 p.m. EDT. The deadline for members of the public to register, including requests to make comments during the meeting and for auxiliary aids, or to submit written comments for dissemination prior to the meeting, is 5 p.m. EDT on Friday, March 24, 2017.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at U.S. Department of Commerce, Secretary's Conference Room, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC, 20230

Requests to register (including to speak or for auxiliary aids) and any written comments should be submitted to: Ronald Reagan Int'l Trade Center, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Suite 800M Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20004-3002 [or OACIO@trade.gov](mailto:OACIO@trade.gov). Members of the public are encouraged to submit registration requests and written comments via e-mail to ensure timely receipt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joe Holecko, the United States Travel and Tourism Advisory Board, Ronald Reagan Int'l Trade Center, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Suite 800M Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20004-3002 telephone: 202-482-4783, email: OACIO@trade.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Board advises the Secretary of Commerce on matters relating to the U.S. travel and tourism industry.

Public Participation: The meeting will be open to the public and will be accessible to people with disabilities. All guests are required to register in advance by the deadline identified under the DATES caption. Requests for auxiliary aids must be submitted by the registration deadline. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may not be possible to fill. There will be fifteen (15) minutes allotted for oral comments from members of the public joining the meeting. To accommodate as many speakers as possible, the time for public comments may be limited to three (3) minutes per person. Individuals wishing to reserve speaking time during the meeting must submit a request at the time of registration, as well as the name and address of the proposed speaker. If the number of registrants requesting to make statements is greater than can be reasonably accommodated during the meeting, the International Trade Administration may conduct a lottery to determine the speakers. Speakers are requested to submit a written copy of

their prepared remarks by 5 p.m. EDT on Friday, March 24, 2017, for inclusion in the meeting records and for circulation to the members of the Board.

In addition, any member of the public may submit pertinent written comments concerning the Board's affairs at any time before or after the meeting. Comments may be submitted to Joe Holecko at the contact information indicated above. To be considered during the meeting, comments must be received no later than 5 p.m. EDT on Friday, March 24, 2017, to ensure transmission to the Board prior to the meeting. Comments received after that date and time will be distributed to the members but may not be considered during the meeting. Copies of Board meeting minutes will be available within 90 days of the meeting.

Joe Holecko
Executive Secretary
United States Travel and Tourism Advisory Board
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