U.S. Customs and Border Protection

COMMERCIAL CUSTOMS OPERATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

ACTION: Committee Management; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Commercial Customs Operations Advisory Committee (COAC) will hold its quarterly meeting on Wednesday, February 27, 2019, in Washington, DC. The meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The COAC will meet on Wednesday, February 27, 2019, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST. Please note that the meeting may close early if the committee has completed its business.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Horizon Ballroom, Washington, DC 20004. For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact Ms. Florence Constant-Gibson, Office of Trade Relations, U.S. Customs & Border Protection, at (202) 344–1440 as soon as possible.

Pre-Registration: Meeting participants may attend either in person or via webinar after pre-registering using one of the methods indicated below:

For members of the public who plan to attend the meeting in person, please register by 5:00 p.m. EST February 26, 2019, either online at https://teregistration.cbp.gov/index.asp?w=149 by email to tradeevents@dhs.gov; or by fax to (202) 325–4290. You must register prior to the meeting in order to attend the meeting in person.

For members of the public who plan to participate via webinar, please register online at https://teregistration.cbp.gov/index.asp?w=148 by 5:00 p.m. EST on February 26, 2019.

Please feel free to share this information with other interested members of your organization or association.

Members of the public who are pre-registered to attend via webinar and later need to cancel, please do so by February 26, 2019, utilizing
the following links: https://teregistration.cbp.gov/cancel.asp?w=149 to cancel an in person registration; or https://teregistration.cbp.gov/cancel.asp?w=148 to cancel a webinar registration.

To facilitate public participation, we are inviting public comment on the issues the committee will consider prior to the formulation of recommendations as listed in the Agenda section below.

Comments must be submitted in writing no later than February 26, 2019, and must be identified by Docket No. USCBP–2019–0005, and may be submitted by one (1) of the following methods:

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

- **Email:** tradeevents@dhs.gov. Include the docket number in the subject line of the message.

- **Fax:** (202) 325–4290, Attention Florence Constant-Gibson.

- **Mail:** Ms. Florence Constant-Gibson, Office of Trade Relations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Room 3.5A, Washington, DC 20229.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the words “Department of Homeland Security” and the docket number (US-CBP–2019–0005) for this action. Comments received will be posted without alteration at http://www.regulations.gov. Please do not submit personal information to this docket.

**Docket:** For access to the docket or to read background documents or comments, go to http://www.regulations.gov and search for Docket Number USCBP–2019–0005. To submit a comment, click the “Comment Now!” button located on the top-right hand side of the docket page.

There will be multiple public comment periods held during the meeting on February 27, 2019. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to two (2) minutes or less to facilitate greater participation. Contact the individual listed below to register as a speaker. Please note that the public comment period for speakers may end before the time indicated on the schedule that is posted on the CBP web page, http://www.cbp.gov/trade/stakeholder-engagement/coac.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Florence Constant-Gibson, Office of Trade Relations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Room 3.5A, Washington, DC 20229; telephone (202) 344–1440; facsimile (202) 325–4290; or Mr. Bradley Hayes, Executive Director and Designated Federal Officer at (202) 344–1440.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. Appendix. The Commercial Customs Operations Advisory Committee (COAC) provides advice to the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) on matters pertaining to the commercial operations of CBP and related functions within the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of the Treasury.

Agenda

The COAC will hear from the current subcommittees on the topics listed below and then will review, deliberate, provide observations, and formulate recommendations on how to proceed:

1. The Secure Trade Lanes Subcommittee will present plans for the scope and activities of the Trusted Trader and CTPAT Minimum Security Criteria Working Groups. Recommendations will be presented regarding the proposed Forced Labor Trusted Trader Strategy. The subcommittee will also deliver recommendations from the Petroleum Pipeline Working Group for CBP to develop and codify uniform reporting procedures for pipeline carriers as well as entry and bonding procedures for importers. The subcommittee will also deliver recommendations from the In-Bond Working Group regarding potential automation and process enhancements.

2. The Intelligent Enforcement Subcommittee will provide necessary updates from the Anti-Dumping and Countervailing Duty, Bond, and Forced Labor Working Groups and recommendations from Intellectual Property Rights Working Group.

3. The Next Generation Facilitation Subcommittee will discuss the E-Commerce Working Group’s progress on mapping the supply chains of various modes of transportation to identify the differences between e-commerce and traditional channels to address CBP’s strategic plan regarding e-commerce threats and opportunities for both the government and trade. The subcommittee will also provide an update on the status of the Emerging Technologies Working Group’s NAFTA/CAFTA and Intellectual Property Rights Blockchain Proof of Concept Projects. Finally, the subcommittee will provide recommendations from the Regulatory Reform Working Group upon completing its review of Title 19 of the Code of Federal Regulations to identify regulations for potential repeal or modification to eliminate or reduce costs and burdens for U.S. businesses.

Meeting materials will be available by February 25, 2019, at: http://www.cbp.gov/trade/stakeholderengagement/coac/coac-public-meetings.
Dated: February 6, 2019.

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ANNOUNCING CHANGE OF LOCATION FOR PUBLIC MEETING:

21st Century Customs Framework

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

ACTION: Notice of change of location for public meeting.

SUMMARY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is announcing a change in location for “The 21st Century Customs Framework” public meeting to be held on Friday, March 1, 2019. The public meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Commerce, Herbert Hoover Auditorium. CBP is also re-opening the registration links to allow for additional participation. Participants who have previously registered do not need to re-register.

DATES:

Meeting: The meeting to discuss “The 21st Century Customs Framework” will be held on Friday, March 1, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST.

Pre-registration: Members of the public wishing to attend the meeting whether in-person or via teleconference must register as indicated in the ADDRESSES section. Participants who have previously registered do not need to re-register. Registration will remain open until the venue reaches capacity.

Cancellation of pre-registration: Members of the public who are pre-registered to attend in-person or via teleconference and later need to cancel, please do so by 5:00 p.m. EST, February 22, 2019.

ADDRESSES:

Meeting: The meeting will be conducted in-person and via teleconference. The in-person meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Commerce, Herbert Hoover Auditorium, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230. The teleconference number will be provided to all registrants by 5:00 p.m. EST on February 28, 2019. For information on services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact Mr. Brandon Lord, Office of Trade, U.S. Customs & Border Protection, at (202) 325–6432 or email, 21CCF@cbp.dhs.gov as soon as possible.
Pre-registration: Meeting participants may attend either in-person or via teleconference after pre-registering using one of the methods indicated below. All in-person attendees must pre-register; on-site registration is not permitted.

For members of the public who plan to attend the meeting in-person, please register online at https://teregistration.cbp.gov/index.asp?w=145.

For members of the public who plan to participate via teleconference, please register online at https://teregistration.cbp.gov/index.asp?w=146.

Participants who have previously registered do not need to re-register. Registration will remain open until the venue reaches capacity. Please feel free to share this information with other interested members of your organization or association.

Members of the public who are pre-registered to attend and later need to cancel, please do so by 5:00 p.m. EST, February 22, 2019, utilizing the following links: https://teregistration.cbp.gov/cancel.asp?w=145 to cancel an in-person registration or https://teregistration.cbp.gov/cancel.asp?w=146 to cancel a teleconference registration.

Docket: For access to the docket or to read background documents or comments, go to http://www.regulations.gov and search for Docket Number USCBP-2018–0045.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Brandon Lord, Office of Trade, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 950N, Washington, DC 20229; telephone (202) 325–6432 or email 21CCF@cbp.dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Change of Meeting Location

On December 21, 2018, CBP published a notice in the Federal Register (83 FR 65703) announcing the “Public Meeting: 21st Century Customs Framework” initiative and public meeting. This document announces a change in location for the public meeting to be held on March 1, 2019. All other information, including times and topics to be addressed announced in the notice, remain the same. The in-person meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Commerce, Herbert Hoover Auditorium, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230. Parking is available at the Ronald Reagan Building. The nearest metro stop is Federal Triangle. No food or drinks are allowed in the auditorium with the exception of bottled water.
21st Century Customs Framework Initiative Overview

CBP is cognizant of the need to stay modern in order to meet the challenges of an evolving trade landscape. New actors, industries, and modes of conducting business have emerged, disrupting the traditional global supply chain. To continue to effectively fulfill CBP's mission, CBP is pursuing an initiative titled “The 21st Century Customs Framework.” “The 21st Century Customs Framework” will seek to address and enhance numerous aspects of CBP’s trade mission to better position the agency to operate in the 21st century trade environment.

Through preliminary efforts, CBP has identified key themes for which CBP seeks public input: (1) Emerging Roles in the Global Supply Chain; (2) Intelligent Enforcement; (3) Cutting-Edge Technology; (4) Data Access and Sharing; (5) 21st Century Processes; and (6) Self-Funded Customs Infrastructure. For brief descriptions of each theme please refer to the December 21, 2018 public meeting announcement in the Federal Register (83 FR 65703).


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