2019 Current Fiscal Year Report: Foreign Affairs Policy Board

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1. Department or Agency  2. Fiscal Year
Department of State  2019

3. Committee or Subcommittee  3b. GSA Committee No.
Foreign Affairs Policy Board  76883

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?  5. Current Charter Date  6. Expected Renewal Date  7. Expected Term Date
No  07/24/2019  07/24/2021

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?  8b. Specific Termination Authority Date  8c. Actual Term Date
No
Memorandum of Termination

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year
Continue  No  Enacted

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?  10b. Legislation Pending?

11. Establishment Authority
Agency Authority

12. Specific Establishment Authority  13. Effective Date  14. Committee Type  14c. Presidential?
Title 22, U.S.C., Section 2656  06/30/2011  Continuing  No

15. Description of Committee
Other Committee

16a. Total Number of Reports
No Reports for this Fiscal Year

17a. Open Reports  17b. Closed Reports  17c. Partially Closed Reports  0 Other Activities  0 17d. Total Reports
No Meetings

18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members
$0.00  $0.00

18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members
$0.00  $0.00

18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff
$21,000.00  $42,000.00

18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants
$0.00  $0.00

18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members
$0.00  $0.00

18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members
$2,000.00  $4,000.00

18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff
$0.00  $0.00

18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants
$0.00  $0.00

18c. Other(rents, user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)
$6,668.00  $1,000.00

18d. Total
$29,668.00  $47,000.00

19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)
0.40  0.40
20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?
The committee gathers to discuss major international issues and foreign policy challenges that the Secretary has chosen, based on the his belief that a diverse array of experienced outside voices can usefully support him as he works to address those specific challenges. Each meeting includes discussion on one or more topics that the Secretary has chosen, interaction with other senior Department officials, and an opportunity for the Board to provide perspectives and views developed and discussed during the meeting to the Secretary.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?
The members are distinguished figures from a range of backgrounds, including academia, NGOs, think tanks, business, and government—all of whom bring a unique perspective based on that background and long experience dealing with international issues from a range of perspectives. The selection of membership was in coordination with the Board’s Membership Balance Plan.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?
It is anticipated that the board will meet an estimated four times per year occurring approximately every 3-4 months.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?
The committee is necessary to supplement the advice and support the Secretary gets from the Department with a broad range of diverse outside perspectives on major international issues.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?
The meetings must be closed because of the sensitive nature of discussed topics and materials, which are often classified.

21. Remarks
No formal reports have been produced for public distribution. Meetings are closed to the public due to the sensitive nature of discussions. Members of the Board have submitted materials for senior State Department officials eyes-only. In 2018, no official meetings of the Board took place. In FY2019, two meetings took place.

Designated Federal Officer
Duncan H Walker Designated Federal Officer

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Narrative Description
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What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?  

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Outcome Comments
Unable to determine at this time.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?  

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**Cost Savings Comments**
Unable to determine at this time.

What is the approximate **Number** of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

0

**Number of Recommendations Comments**
Unable to determine at this time.

What is the approximate **Percentage** of these recommendations that have been or will be **Fully** implemented by the agency?

0%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**
Unable to determine at this time.

What is the approximate **Percentage** of these recommendations that have been or will be **Partially** implemented by the agency?

0%

**% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**
Unable to determine at this time.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☐  No ☐  Not Applicable ☑

**Agency Feedback Comments**
Not Applicable

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?
Reorganized Priorities  ✔
Reallocated resources  ✔
Issued new regulation  
Proposed legislation  
Approved grants or other payments  
Other  

Action Comments
Unable to determine at this time.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?
No

Grant Review Comments
Unable to determine at this time.

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Contact DFO  ✔
Online Agency Web Site  
Online Committee Web Site  
Online GSA FACA Web Site  
Publications  
Other  

Access Comments
Unable to determine at this time.