

# 2013 Current Fiscal Year Report: The Secretary of State's International Council on Women's Business Leadership

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<b>1. Department or Agency</b>	<b>2. Fiscal Year</b>			
Department of State	2013			
<b>3. Committee or Subcommittee</b>	<b>3b. GSA Committee No.</b>			
The Secretary of State's International Council on Women's Business Leadership	76051			
<b>4. Is this New Fiscal Year?</b>	<b>5. Current Charter</b>	<b>6. Expected Renewal Date</b>	<b>7. Expected Term Date</b>	
No	02/16/2013			
<b>8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?</b>	<b>8b. Specific Termination Authority</b>	<b>8c. Actual Term Date</b>		
Yes	PL-463, Section 14 (a) (1)	02/16/2013		
<b>9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year</b>	<b>10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?</b>	<b>10b. Legislation Pending?</b>		
Continue	No	Enacted		
<b>11. Establishment Authority</b>	<b>12. Specific Establishment Authority</b>	<b>13. Effective Date</b>	<b>14. Committee Type</b>	<b>14c. Presidential?</b>
Agency Authority	22 U.S.C. 2656	02/16/2011	Continuing	No
<b>15. Description of Committee</b>	Other Committee			
<b>16a. Total Number of Reports</b>	No Reports for this Fiscal Year			
<b>17a. Open Meetings and Dates</b>	<b>17b. Closed</b>	<b>17c. Partially Closed</b>	<b>Other Activities</b>	<b>17d. Total</b>
No Meetings	0	0	0	0

	<b>Current</b>	<b>Next</b>
	<b>FY</b>	<b>FY</b>
<b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18c. Administrative Costs (FRNs, contractor support, In-person/hybrid/virtual meetings)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Other (all other funds not captured by any other cost category)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18e. Total Costs</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.00	0.00

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The Council serves the United States government in a solely advisory capacity concerning major issues and problems in international business and economic policy, including performance of the following functions: (a) Provides information and advice on the effective integration of business interests and women's economic empowerment

into overall foreign policy; (b) Appraises the role and limits of international economic institutions from a gender-specific perspective; and (c) Provides information and advice on the Department of State's role in advancing and promoting the role of women in a competitive global economy. The Council consults with other interested parties, agencies, and interagency committees and groups of the United States government, foreign governments, and with national and international private sector organizations and individuals as the Department of State and the Council decide are necessary or desirable.

**20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

Individuals are appointed as Representative members. Representatives are stakeholders who are selected for membership for the purpose of obtaining the point of view or perspective of an outside interest group or stakeholder interest. Representatives were selected to represent diverse points of view. Representative members represent groups or organizations, such as industry, labor, consumers, academics or any other recognizable global economic interests related to the role of women in international economic development. Other factors the State Department considers important in achieving a balanced Federal advisory committee include international geographic diversity, economic expertise, and industry sector diversity.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

One meeting was convened in January 2012. An additional meeting is planned prior to the end of the 2012 calendar year.

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

The Secretary of State's International Council on Women's Business Leadership (the Council) provides advice and assistance in the formulation of U.S. policy, positions, proposals and strategies for multilateral and bilateral negotiations, business outreach and commercial diplomacy, particularly pertaining to the economic empowerment of women for global economic prosperity where the State Department has the lead negotiating authority. The objective of the Council is to bring to the United States Government a source of expertise, knowledge and insight not available within the State Department or elsewhere in the U.S. government on these issues.

**20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

N/A

**21. Remarks**

The Secretary of State's International Council on Women's Business Leadership (ICWBL) met on January 24, 2012, and plans to meet again prior to the end of 2012. Four Subcommittees have been created under the ICWBL: Access to Markets; Access to Capital; Skills Training and Capacity Building; Leadership. The Council reports to the Secretary of State or as the Secretary directs depending on the subject matter. Members preferred not to disclose email addresses. Subcommittee information is documented on the committee's URL.

**Designated Federal Officer**

Margareta Schettler DFO

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
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Al Qasimi, Lubna	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Minister for Foreign Trade, UAE	Representative Member
Blair, Cherie	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Founder, Cherie Blair Foundation for Women	Representative Member
Brooke, Beth	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Global Vice Chair, Ernst & Young	Representative Member
Clinton, Hillary	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Secretary of State	Ex Officio Member
Engel, Wanda	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Executive President, Unibanco Institute	Representative Member
Fleishman, Susan	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Executive Vice President, Warner Bros. Entertainment	Representative Member
Hinchcliffe, M.	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Founder and Principal Consultant, Caribbean Health Management Consultants, Ltd.	Representative Member
Hughes, Catherine	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Chairperson of the Board and Secretary, Radio One, Inc.	Representative Member
Indrawati, Sri	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Managing Director, The World Bank	Representative Member
Jarrett, Valerie	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Senior Advisor and Assistant to the President, The White House	Representative Member
Luhabe, Wendy	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Founder and Chairman, Women Private Equity Funds	Representative Member
Nooyi, Indra	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Chairman and CEO, PepsiCo	Representative Member
Okolloh, Ory	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Policy Manager for Africa, Google	Representative Member
Olofsson, Maud	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	(former) Deputy Prime Minister, Sweden	Representative Member
Rodin, Judith	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	President, Rockefeller Foundation	Representative Member
Sanyal, Meera	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Chairperson and Country Executive, ABN AMRO/RBS Bank India	Representative Member
Shuler, Elizabeth	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Secretary-Treasurer, AFL-CIO	Representative Member
Strauss, Ofra	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Chairperson of the Board, Strauss Group	Representative Member
Susman, Sally	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Executive Vice President, Pfizer	Representative Member

Xin, Zhang	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	CEO, SOHO China	Representative Member
Zeti, Tan	08/03/2011	08/03/2013	Governor, Bank Negara Malaysia	Representative Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 21**

**Narrative Description**

The Council provides advice and assistance in the formulation of U.S. policy, positions, proposals and strategies for multilateral and bilateral negotiations, business outreach and commercial diplomacy, particularly pertaining to the economic empowerment of women for global economic prosperity where the State Department has the lead negotiating authority.

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

	Checked if Applies
Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**Outcome Comments**

The Committee contributes to the State Department's and the U.S. Government's integration of women into foreign and economic policy development.

**What are the cost savings associated with this committee?**

	Checked if Applies
None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>

\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Cost Savings Comments**

The Council met in January 2012. In August the Council submitted policy and program recommendations to the State Department. These will be discussed at the upcoming late-November meeting.

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

4

**Number of Recommendations Comments**

The ICWBL assessed the current state of women in starting, growing and leading businesses and focused on four core areas that create barriers for women. The recommendations focus on: Access to Capital; Access to Markets; Capacity Building and Skills Training; and Women's Leadership. The recommendations complement and advance Secretary Clinton's policy guidance on promoting gender equality to achieve national security and U.S. foreign policy objectives.

**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**

Recommendations were submitted in August 2012.

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

100%

**% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

The State Department has worked with the ICWBL to identify policies and best practices conducive to improving women's access to markets, access to capital, skills training and capacity building, and leadership. On access to markets the Department has partnered

with WEConnect International to convene meetings in Brazil, Peru, Chile and Mexico. Secretary Clinton has announced several new initiatives that are a direct result of the ICWBL recommendations. On access to capital the Department has worked through the ICWBL to raise awareness and mend the access gap by developing fact sheets and outreach efforts; coordinating with the World Bank to support the inclusion of gender targets in countries' national inclusion strategies; and promoting gender sensitive business practices in local banks, especially innovative solutions to address access for microloans. Regarding capacity and skills building, there is an ongoing effort to emphasize the importance of entrepreneurship, broaden entrepreneurial skill-building, and advance supply chain optimization. Five recommendations pertaining to women's leadership have been partially implemented, including promoting policies and programs that promote gender equality, identifying national examples that model successful/comprehensive family support infrastructure policies, and convening leadership dialogues. The Council recommended and committed to coordination with the State Department on these four policy and program areas.

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

Yes  No  Not Applicable

**Agency Feedback Comments**

The State Department will provide formal feedback at the November ICWBL meeting. Comments are provided in an ongoing basis.

**What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?**

	Checked if Applies
Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**Action Comments**

The ICWBL Committee (Council) convened its inaugural meeting in January 2012. Recommendations were submitted by the ICWBL in August 2012 based on the work of the four subcommittees and with the approval of the Council members. Recommendations were submitted in the form of letters to the Secretary of State.

**Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?**

No

**Grant Review Comments**

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

Checked if Applies

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|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Contact DFO               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Agency Web Site    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Committee Web Site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online GSA FACA Web Site  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Publications              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Other                     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

**Access Comments**

Access is provided via DFO and Committee webpage at [www.state.gov/e/eb/adcom/icwbl](http://www.state.gov/e/eb/adcom/icwbl)