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described under § 800.402(c)(3) (iv) and (v) concerning classified materials and products or services supplied to the U.S. military services. The Staff Chairman may (1) reject the filing, or (2) delay the start of the thirty-day review period while the parties are asked to supply the omitted information.

Example 2. Same facts as in first sentence of Example 1, except that the joint filing indicates that Corporation A does not intend to purchase Corporation X's Division Y, which is engaged in classified work for a U.S. Government agency. Corporations A and X notify the Committee on the 25th day of the 30-day notice period that Division Y will also be acquired by Corporation A. This fact constitutes a material change with respect to the transaction as originally notified, and the Staff Chairman may reject the notice.

Example 3. The Staff Chairman receives a joint filing by Corporation A, a foreign person, and Corporation X, a company that is owned and controlled by U.S. nationals, indicating that Corporation A intends to purchase 10.5 percent of the voting securities of Corporation X. Under the particular facts and circumstances presented, the Committee concluded that Corporation A's purchase of this interest in Corporation X would not constitute control as defined in § 800.204. The Staff Chairman may advise the parties in writing that the transaction as presented is not subject to section 721 and that no analysis of national security considerations has been undertaken.

§ 800.404 Beginning of thirty-day review period.

(a) A thirty-day period for review of the acquisition shall be deemed to commence on the next calendar day after voluntary notice has been accepted, agency notice has been received by the Staff Chairman of the Committee, or the Chairman of the Committee has requested an investigation pursuant to § 800.401. Such review shall end no later than the thirtieth day after it has commenced, or if the thirtieth day is not a business day, no later than the next business day after the thirtieth day.

(b) Within two business days after its receipt by the Staff Chairman, the Staff Chairman of the Committee shall send written advice of an agency notice to the parties to an acquisition.

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Subpart E—Committee Procedures: Review and Investigation

§ 800.501 General.

(a) The Committee's review or investigation (if it has been determined that an investigation shall be conducted) shall examine, as appropriate, whether:

(1) The acquisition is by or with a foreign person and could result in control by a foreign person of a U.S. person or persons engaged in interstate commerce in the United States;

(2) There is credible evidence to support a belief that the foreign interest exercising control of the U.S. person to be acquired might take action that threatens to impair the national security; and

(3) Provisions of law, other than section 721 and the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701-1706), provide adequate and appropriate authority to protect the national security.

(b) During the thirty-day review period or during an investigation, the Staff Chairman may invite the parties to a notified transaction to attend a meeting with the Committee staff to discuss and clarify issues pertaining to the transaction. During an investigation, a party to the investigated transaction may request a meeting with the Committee staff; such a request ordinarily will be granted.

§ 800.502 Determination not to investigate.

(a) If the Committee determines, during the review period described in § 800.404, not to undertake an investigation, such determination shall conclude action under section 721.

(b) The Staff Chairman of the Committee shall promptly advise the parties to an acquisition of a determination not to investigate.

§ 800.503 Commencement of investigation.

(a) If it is determined that an investigation should be undertaken, such investigation shall commence no later

than the end of the thirty-day period described in § 800.404.

(b) The Staff Chairman of the Committee shall promptly send written advice to the parties to an acquisition of the commencement of an investigation.

§ 800.504 Completion or termination of investigation and report to the President.

(a) The Committee shall complete its investigation no later than the forty-fifth day after the date the investigation commences, or, if the forty-fifth day is not a business day, no later than the next business day after the forty-fifth day.

(b) Upon completion or termination of any investigation, the Committee shall report to the President and present a recommendation. Any such report shall include information relevant to subparagraphs (e) (1) and (2) of section 721. If the Committee is unable to reach a unanimous recommendation, the Chairman shall submit a report of the Committee to the President setting forth the differing views and presenting the issues for decision.

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§ 800.505 Withdrawal of notice.

(a) A party to an acquisition that has submitted notice under § 800.401(a), or, if more than one such party has submitted notice, the parties to an acquisition, may, at any time prior to an announcement by the President of his decision as described in § 800.601, request in writing that such notice(s) be withdrawn. Such request shall be directed to the Staff Chairman and shall state the reasons why the request is being made. Such requests will ordinarily be granted, except as determined by the Committee. A written notification of the decision on the request to withdraw notice shall be sent promptly to the requester(s).

(b) Any withdrawal in writing of an agency notice by the agency that submitted it shall be effective on its receipt by the Staff Chairman, who shall promptly send notice of the withdrawal to the parties to an acquisition.

(c) In any case where a request to withdraw notice is granted under para-

graph (a), or where the withdrawal is effective under paragraph (b) of this section, or where notice has been rejected under § 800.403, such notice shall be considered not to have been made for purposes of § 800.401. Section 800.702 shall nevertheless apply with respect to information or documentary material filed with the Committee. With respect to any subsequent acquisition among the parties that is within this part, notice made in accordance with § 800.401 shall be deemed a new notice for purposes of these regulations, including § 800.601.

Subpart F—Presidential Action

§ 800.601 Statutory time frame, standards for Presidential action, and permissible actions under section 721.

(a) The President shall announce his decision to take action pursuant to section 721 no later than the fifteenth day after an investigation is completed, or, if the fifteenth day is not a business day, no later than the next business day following the fifteenth day.

(b) The President may exercise the authority conferred by section 721(d) if the President makes the findings required by section 721(e), namely, that—

(1) There is credible evidence that leads the President to believe that the foreign interest exercising control might take action that threatens to impair the national security, and

(2) Provisions of law, other than section 721 and the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701–1706), do not in the President's judgment provide adequate and appropriate authority for the President to protect the national security in the matter before the President.

The President's findings under section 721(d) shall not be subject to judicial review.

(c) Under section 721 (d) and (e), the President:

(1) Is empowered to take such action for such time as the President considers appropriate to suspend or prohibit any acquisition subject to section 721 that is the subject of a recommendation or recommendations by the Committee; and