

Nonproliferation, Department of State (202-647-1142).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the authorities vested in the President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*) ("IEEPA"), the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 *et seq.*), the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2751 *et seq.*), and section 301 of title 3, United States Code, and Section 6 of Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994, as amended, a determination was made on March 23, 2004, that it is in the foreign policy and national security interests of the United States to remove the restrictions imposed pursuant to Sections 4(b), 4(c), and 4(d) of the Executive Order on the following Russian entities, their sub-units and successors:

1. Europalace 2000
2. Grafit (aka State Scientific Research Institute of Graphite or NIIGRAFIT)
3. MOSO Company
4. The Scientific Research and Design Institute of Power Technology (aka NIKIET, Research and Development Institute of Power Engineering (RDIPE), and ENTEK).

These restrictions were imposed on the first three entities on July 30, 1998 (*see* 63 FR 42089) and on the fourth entity on January 8, 1999 (*see* 64 FR 2935).

Dated: March 24, 2004.

**John S. Wolf,**

*Assistant Secretary of State for Nonproliferation, Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

### Bureau of Nonproliferation

[Public Notice 4675]

#### Lifting of Nonproliferation Statutory and Discretionary Measures Against Two Russian Entities, TZNII Central Scientific Research Institute of Precision Machine Building (aka Tzniitochmash) and Volsk Mechanical Plant

**SUMMARY:** A determination has been made, pursuant to section 620H of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, section 543 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations, Division D, of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2004 (Pub. L. 108-99), and similar provisions in previous annual Foreign Operations, Export

Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations acts, and Executive Order 12163, as amended, to waive the statutory assistance ban on two Russian entities. The United States Government also has determined to remove discretionary nonproliferation measures on the same two Russian entities.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 1, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ron Parson, Office of Export Controls and Conventional Arms Nonproliferation Policy, Bureau of Nonproliferation, Department of State, (202-647-0397).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to section 620H of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, section 543 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations, Division D, of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2004 (Pub. L. 108-99), and similar provisions in previous annual Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations acts, and Executive Order 12163, as amended, a determination was made on March 23, 2004, that furnishing assistance restricted by any of the foregoing provisions of law to TZNII Central Scientific Research Institute of Precision Machine-Building (aka Tzniitochmash) and Volsk Mechanical Plant is important to the national interests of the United States. On the same date, a determination was made pursuant to the authorities of the Foreign Assistance Act and the Arms Export Control Act that it is no longer the policy of the United States Government to deny all types of United States Government assistance to these two entities or to deny licenses and other approvals of defense articles and services for export to these two entities.

These restrictions were imposed on the entities on April 29, 1999 (*see* 64 FR 23148), and June 9, 1999 (*see* 64 FR 31029).

Dated: March 26, 2004.

**John S. Wolf,**

*Assistant Secretary of State for Nonproliferation, Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2004-17195]

#### Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Vision

**AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of applications for exemption from the vision standard; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** This notice publishes the FMCSA's receipt of applications from 29 individuals for an exemption from the vision requirement in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations. If granted, the exemptions will enable these individuals to qualify as drivers of commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) in interstate commerce without meeting the vision standard prescribed in 49 CFR 391.41(b)(10).

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before May 3, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by any of the following methods. Please identify your comments by the DOT DMS Docket Number FMCSA-2003-17195.

- *Web site:* <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Follow the instructions for submitting comments on the DOT electronic docket site.

- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251.

- *Mail:* Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Nassif Building, Room PL-401, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- *Hand Delivery:* Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

*Instructions:* All submissions must include the agency name and docket number for this notice. For detailed instructions on submitting comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, *see* the Public Participation heading of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://dms.dot.gov>, including any personal information provided. Please see the Privacy Act heading under Regulatory Notices.

*Docket:* For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://dms.dot.gov> at any time or to Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Sandra Zywockarte, Office of Bus and Truck Standards and Operations, (202) 366-2987, FMCSA, Department of