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Robert Hoge  
Erik Jansen  
Mary Lannin  
Donald Scarinci  
Jeanne Stevens-Sollman  
Thomas J. Uram

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Bill Norton  
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P R O C E E D I N G S

MR. MARKS: Today is June 2, 2014. This meeting of the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee -- to order.

First of all, I'm going to ask the staff if there are any liaisons to recognize?

MS. STAFFORD: There are not.

MR. MARKS: Okay. And I would like to ask any press members who may be on the phone to please identify yourself now.

MR. GILKES: Paul Gilkes with Coin World.

MR. MARKS: Thank you, Paul.

MR. UNSER: Mike Unser from CoinNews.

MR. MARKS: I'm sorry, who was that?

MR. UNSER: Mike Unser from CoinNews.

MR. MARKS: Thank you. Anyone else?

Okay. Do we need to do a role on the record?

MS. STAFFORD: It might be a good idea.

Please, Gary.

MR. MARKS: Okay. So as I go through the role, please indicate if you're on the line.  
Michael Bugeja?

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(No audible response.)

MR. MARKS: Robert Hoge?

MR. HOGE: Here.

MR. MARKS: Erik Jansen?

MR. JANSEN: Here.

MR. MARKS: Donald Scarinci?

MR. SCARINCI: Here.

MR. MARKS: Jeanne Stevens-Sollman?

MS. STEVENS-SOLLMAN: Here.

MR. MARKS: Tom Uram?

MR. URAM: Here.

MR. MARKS: Heidi Wastween?

(No audible response.)

MR. MARKS: Mary Lannin?

MS. LANNIN: Here.

MR. MARKS: And I, Gary Marks, the Chair,  
of course I'm here. So we have a quorum, and that  
takes us down to the first item on our agenda,  
which is discussion of letters from a previous  
meeting.

There are three letters total from our  
May 19th meeting in Philadelphia. I hope that you

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all received my email a short time ago containing a revised version of the letter from Fallen Heroes of 911. I have an inaccuracy in the first version and I apologize for that.

And then there are letters for the 2015 March of Dimes Commemorative Program and the (inaudible) Congressional Gold Medal.

Is there any discussion on any of those letters?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: No.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: No.

MR. MARKS: Okay, is there a motion?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Gary, you may not have gotten the email that I sent you subsequently.

MR. MARKS: I did receive it. I did.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: You did?

MR. MARKS: Yes, I did. Thank you. Is there a motion to approve the letters, including the revised version of the Fallen Heroes?

MR. JANSEN: I hereby move that. Erik.

MS. STEVENS-SOLLMAN: I second.

MR. MARKS: Okay. It's been moved by

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Erik and I'm sorry, who is the second?

MS. STEVENS-SOLLMAN: Jeanne.

MR. MARKS: Okay, Jeanne -- to approve the three letters for the Secretary, including the revised version of the Fallen Heroes. All those in favor, please say "aye."

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS: "Aye."

MR. MARKS: Opposed?

(No audible response.)

MR. MARKS: I'll record that as a unanimous approval. That takes us down to the discussion of the candidate designs for the Shimon Peres medal. Sorry, I've never had that problem before. Anyway, April, could you give us your report?

MS. STAFFORD: Yes, sir. Thank you.

The United States Mint has developed designs for a medal honoring Israeli President Shimon Peres in anticipation of President Obama signing in to law H.R. 20 --

(Telephone interruption.)

MR. MARKS: Hello?

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UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Hello?

MR. MARKS: Hello. We're having some phone problems here.

MS. STAFFORD: Yeah. Can you hear me now?

MR. MARKS: Hello?

MS. STAFFORD: Can you hear me now? Gary?

MR. MARKS: Yes, I can hear you. How about everyone else? Can you hear April?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I hear her. I'm good.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: I'm good. I can hear you.

MR. MARKS: Go ahead.

MS. STAFFORD: I think --

MR. MARKS: I'm not sure what happened there. There was some beeping noise on the line, but please go ahead, April.

MS. STAFFORD: Okay. Thank you. I'll start again.

The United States Mint has developed



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designs for a medal honoring Israeli President Shimon Perez in anticipation of President Obama signing into law H.R. 2939, a Bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to President Shimon Peres.

If President Obama signs the Bill into law, it will require the Secretary of the Treasury to strike the gold medal with suitable emblems, devices and inscriptions.

It will also authorize the Secretary to strike and make available for sale bronze medals that bear the likeness of the Shimon Perez Congressional Gold Medal.

If H.R. 2939 is enacted, the Inscription Act of Congress, 2014, will be included on the reverse design. This inscription is depicted on each reverse candidate design as a placeholder to indicate the suggested font and text location.

So I'll start with the designs. Obverse one features a portrait of Israeli President Shimon Peres with the flag of Israel in the background. "Shimon Perez" is the inscription.

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Peres prefers this obverse design for its accurate depiction of President Peres. She does ask that the Mint slightly modify the flag in this design, however, noting the stripes are too thick proportionately to the Star of David.

Reverses one and two depict a Dove of Peace with inscriptions based on President Peres' quotations. Our liaison reverse one for its inclusion of the inscription "You are as great as the cause you serve."

So, Mr. Chairman, that concludes the designs as well as the design descriptions.

MR. MARKS: Okay. With that -- I believe the members all received the email containing these images.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Yes.

MR. MARKS: If you haven't, please speak up. And I guess at this point I'll ask if there are any comments on the designs presented to us.

MR. JANSEN: What are the placeholder "xxx's" of the reverse again to be replaced with?

MS. STAFFORD: The words "Act of Congress

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2014," pending enactment of H.R. 2939.

MR. JANSEN: Understood. Thank you.

MR. BUGEJA: Sorry, Gary, I'm late. I had to find the call in number. Michael Bugeja.

MR. MARKS: Michael. Thank you for coming on. We've worked ourselves through -- already have approved the letters from the previous meeting. April just gave us her report on the designs for the Shimon Peres Medal in question, and now I've just asked for any comments.

MR. BUGEJA: Thank you, Gary. And again, my apologies.

MR. MARKS: Are there any comments?

MS. LANNIN: I just want to clarify something. Did April say "Act of Congress," 2013 or 2014?

MS. STAFFORD: 2014.

MS. LANNIN: Okay.

MS. STAFFORD: And if I could just ask for our Court Reporter who is present, for those who speak, if you could please identify yourselves so she can take the notes. That would be great.

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Thank you.

MS. LANNIN: Sure. Mary had asked that question of April. I thought I heard you say "2013" instead of 2014.

MR. MARKS: Okay. Hearing no other comments, I'll ask if there is a motion concerning these designs?

MR. HOGE: I would like --

MR. MARKS: Robert?

MR. SCARINCI: Can I make the motion to approve the designs that the Committee -- that the host has recommended?

MR. MARKS: I am recognizing you now to do that, Donald.

MR. SCARINCI: Donald Scarinci, making the motion to approve.

MR. MARKS: Is there a second?

MR. HOGE: I'll second. It's Robert.

MR. MARKS: Okay. And I am assuming the motion is to approve obverse one and reverse one?

MR. SCARINCI: Correct.

MR. MARKS: And I'm sorry, who was the

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second?

MR. HOGE: Robert. Yes.

MR. MARKS: Okay. It's been moved and seconded. Is there any further discussion?

MS. STEVENS-SOLLMAN: Yes, this is Jeanne. I'm having a small problem with the tail of this bird -- of this dove.

I'm not convinced, you know -- I'm not convinced we're looking at it correctly. I see this -- I don't know what you call this -- a lump above his feet that looks like maybe it should be a leg -- a leg -- or -- and then the tail feathers are not coming quite out of the back.

So it looks like we're looking at the bottom -- or are we looking at the top? It's not convincing and I'm not sure if we have a staff mint artist available. Don? Is Don there to help me understand what I'm looking at?

MR. EVERHART: Yes, I am here. This is Don Everhart.

MS. STEVENS-SOLLMAN: Hi, Don.

MR. EVERHART: Hi.

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MR. MARKS: Hi, Don.

MR. EVERHART: Hi. You're looking at the bottom of the tail feathers.

MS. STEVENS-SOLLMAN: Okay. Could maybe the perspective be defined a little better so that it -- you know, it does look like that. I'm just -- there's like a few lines there that are confusing me to know that I'm looking at it from the bottom, not from the side or the top. It's not reading well, at least in my printout.

MR. EVERHART: Okay. We'll take a look at that.

MS. STEVENS-SOLLMAN: Thank you. Thank you. Otherwise --

MR. HOGE: The feet come out of the lower leg area, too.

MS. STEVENS-SOLOMAN: Yeah, Robert. I mean, it just doesn't seem like it's possible to do this.

MR. MARKS: Okay. Are there any other comments or discussion?

(No audible response.)

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MR. MARKS: Okay. Hearing none, I'll call for the question -- all those in favor, please indicate by saying "aye."

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS: "Aye."

MR. MARKS: Opposed?

(No audible response.)

MR. MARKS: The motion carries unanimously. I believe we've reached the end of our agenda for today. I want to thank everyone for being on the phone, and staff, is there anything more we need to do?

MS. STAFFORD: Just a sincere "thank you" to all of the committee members for reviewing -- doing this expedited review and comment. We, at the Mint, really appreciate it.

MS. STEVENS-SOLLMAN: And if I could just add one thing. I'm wishing the Mint a huge success in this struggle because it was done on time. I know this is hard, so thank you for putting the designs in a simple way for us to see these. Thank you very much, April.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I think they're

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rather pretty designs, too.

MS. STEVENS-SOLLMAN: Yeah. Very good.

MS. LANNIN: This is Mary. I think so as well, and you have my thanks as well.

MR. MARKS: Okay. With that we are adjourned. Thank you all.

MS. STAFFORD: Thank you so much.

(Whereupon, at approximately 3:14 p.m., the above referenced meeting was adjourned.)



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