

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by August 11, 1997 to be assured of consideration.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS: Contact Rich Allen, Associate Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Room 4117 South Building, Washington, DC 20250-2000, (202) 720-4333.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Supplemental Qualifications Statement.

OMB Number: 0535-0209.

Expiration Date of Approval: September 30, 1997.

Type of Request: To extend a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: Under Interagency Agreement Number DOA-1, between the Department of Agriculture and Office of Personnel Management, the Administrative and Financial Management Staff examines, rates, and certifies applicants for Agricultural Statistician positions, GS-1530 and Mathematical Statistician (Agricultural) GS-1529 positions within the National Agricultural Statistics Service. The Interagency Agreement was made under provisions of 5 U.S.C. Section 1104, as amended by Pub. L. No. 104-52 (1995).

Resumes, curriculum vitae, and the "Optional Application for Federal Employment", (OF-612) are general purpose forms used to evaluate applicants for positions in the Federal service. While these forms request specific information about an applicant, they do not always obtain detailed references to those knowledges, skills and abilities (KSA's) that are critical to the job. The Supplemental Qualifications Statement for agricultural statistician and mathematical statistician positions (agricultural) allows applicants the opportunity to describe their achievements or accomplishments as they relate to the required KSA's.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3 hours per response.

Respondents: Individual Job Applicants.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 200.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 600 hours.

Copies of this information collection and related instructions can be obtained without charge from Larry Gambrell, the Agency OMB Clearance Officer, at (202) 720-5778.

Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, such as through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to:

Larry Gambrell, Agency OMB Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Room 4162 South Building, Washington, DC 20250-2000.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Signed at Washington, D.C., April 29, 1997.

Donald M. Bay,

Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Palmers Crossing and Irene Chapel Resource Conservation and Development Flood Control Plan Forrest County, MS

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service, Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of a finding of no significant impact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969; the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR part 1500); and the Natural Resources Conservation Service Regulations (7 CFR part 650); the Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, gives notice that an environmental impact statement is not being prepared for Palmers Crossing and Irene Chapel Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Flood Control Plan, Forrest County, Mississippi.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Homer L. Wilkes, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Suite 1321, A.H. McCoy Federal Building, 100 West Capitol Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39269, telephone 601-965-5205.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The environmental assessment of this federally assisted action indicates that the project will not cause significant local, regional, or national impacts on the environment. As a result of these findings, Homer L. Wilkes, State Conservationist, has determined that the preparation and review of an environmental impact statement are not needed for this project.

The project concerns an RC&D flood control plan for the purpose of reducing flood damages to residences and businesses belonging to disadvantaged residents in the flood plains of the Palmers Crossing and Irene Chapel communities. The planned works of improvement consist of channel modification on 3.05 miles of manmade and/or previously modified channel.

The notice of a finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) has been forwarded to the Environmental Protection Agency and to various Federal, State, and local agencies and interested parties. A limited number of copies of the FONSI are available to fill single copy requests at the above address. Basic data developed during the environmental assessment are on file and may be reviewed by contacting Homer L. Wilkes.

No administrative action on implementation of the proposal will be taken until 30 days after the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

(This activity is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.904—Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention and is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372 which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials.)

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BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE AND TIME: June 10, 1997; 9:30 a.m.
PLACE: Cohen Building, Room 3321, 330 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20547.

CLOSED MEETING: The members of the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) will meet in closed session to review and discuss a number of issues relating

to U.S. Government-funded nonmilitary international broadcasting. They will address internal procedural, budgetary, and personnel issues, as well as sensitive foreign policy issues relating to potential options in the U.S. international broadcasting field. This meeting is closed because if open it likely would either disclose matters that would be properly classified to be kept secret in the interest of foreign policy under the appropriate executive order (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(1)) or would disclose information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(9)(B)) In addition, part of the discussion will relate solely to the internal personnel issues of the BBG or the International Broadcasting Bureau. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(2) and (6)).

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Persons interested in obtaining more information should contact Brenda Thomas at (202) 401-3736.

Dated: June 2, 1997.

David W. Burke,
Chairman.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Export Administration

Karl Cording; Decision and Order

In the Matter of: Karl Cording, with Addresses at Anzstrasse 8, Windhoek, Namibia, A. Rosenthal (PTY) Ltd., P.O. Box 97, 292 Independence Avenue, Windhoek, Namibia, A. Rosenthal (PTY) Ltd., P.O. Box 3721, 13 Loop Street, Cape Town, South Africa, and A. Rosenthal (PTY) Ltd., P.O. Box 44198, 65 7th Street, Denmyr Building, 2104 Linden, South Africa, Respondent.

Decision and Order

On November 27, 1995, the Office of Export Enforcement, Bureau of Export Administration, United States Department of Commerce (hereinafter "BXA"), issued a charging letter initiating an administrative proceeding against Karl Cording. The charging letter alleged that Cording committed seven violations of the Export Administration Regulations (61 FR 12734-13041, March 25, 1996, to be codified at 15 CFR parts 730-774) (hereinafter the "Regulations"),¹ issued pursuant to the

Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended (50 U.S.C.A. app. 2401-2420 (1991 & Supp. 1997)) (hereinafter the "Act").²

Specifically, the charging letter alleged that, between mid-1990 and early 1992, Cording conspired with James L. Stephens, president and co-owner of Weisser's Sporting Goods, National City, California, and Ian Ace, manager of A. Rosenthal, Cape Town, South Africa, to export and, on two separate occasions, actually exported U.S.-origin shotguns, with barrel lengths 18 inches and over, to Namibia and South Africa, without applying for and obtaining from the Department the validated export licenses Cording knew or had reason to know were required under the Act and Regulations. In addition, BXA alleged that, in furtherance of the conspiracy, and in connection with each of those exports, Cording made false or misleading representations of material fact to a U.S. Government agency in connection with the preparation, submission, or use of export control documents. BXA alleged that, in so doing, Cording committed one violation of section 787.3(b), two violations of section 787.4(a), two violations of section 787.5(a), and two violations of section 787.6 of the former Regulations, for a total of seven violations of the former Regulations.

The charging letter was served on Cording during December 1995. Cording failed to answer the charging letter. Thus, on April 18, 1997, pursuant to section 766.7 of the Regulations, BXA moved that the Administrative Law Judge find the facts to be as alleged in the charging letter and render a Recommended Decision and Order.

Following BXA's motion, on May 1, 1997, Chief Administrative Law Judge Joseph A. Ingolio issued a Recommended Decision and Order in which he found the facts to be as alleged in the charging letter, and concluded that those facts constituted violations of the Act and Regulations, as BXA alleged. The Administrative Law Judge also concurred with BXA's recommendation that the appropriate penalty to be imposed for those violations is a denial, for a period of 20

Since that time, the Regulations have been reorganized and restructured; the restructured Regulations, to be codified at 15 CFR Parts 730-774, establish the procedures that apply to the matters set forth in this Decision and Order.

²The Act expired on August 20, 1994. Executive Order 12924 (3 CFR, 1994 Comp. 917 (1995)), extended by Presidential Notices of August 15, 1995 (3 CFR, 1995 Comp. 501 (1996)) and August 14, 1996 (61 FR 42527, August 15, 1996), continued the Regulations in effect under International Emergency Economic Powers Act (currently codified at 50 U.S.C.A. 1701-1706 (1991 & Supp. 1997)).

years, of all of Cording's export privileges. As provided by section 766.22(a) of the Regulations, the Recommended Decision and Order has been referred to me for final action.

Based on my review of the entire record, I affirm the findings of fact and conclusions of law in the Recommended Decision and Order of the Administrative Law Judge.

Accordingly, it is therefore Ordered, First, that for a period of 20 years from the date of this Order, Karl Cording, with an address at Anzstrasse 8, Windhoek, Namibia; with an address c/o A. Rosenthal (PTY) Ltd., P.O. Box 97, 292 Independence Avenue, Windhoek, Namibia; with an address c/o A. Rosenthal (PTY) Ltd., P.O. Box 3721, 13 Loop Street, Cape Town, South Africa; and with an address c/o A. Rosenthal (PTY) Ltd., P.O. Box 44198, 65 7th Street, Denmyr Building, 2104 Linden, South Africa, may not, directly or indirectly, participate in any way in any transaction involving any commodity, software or technology (hereinafter collectively referred to an "item") exported or to be exported from the United States that is subject to the Regulations, or in any other activity subject to the Regulations, including, but not limited to:

A. Applying for, obtaining, or using any license, License Exception, or export control document;

B. Carrying on negotiations concerning, or ordering, buying, receiving, using, selling, delivering, storing, disposing of, forwarding, transporting, financing, or otherwise servicing in any way, any transaction involving any item exported or to be exported from the United States that is subject to the Regulations, or in any other activity subject to the Regulations; or

C. Benefiting in any way from any transaction involving any item exported or to be exported from the United States that is subject to the Regulations, or in any other activity subject to the Regulations.

Second, that no person, may, directly or indirectly, do any of the following:

A. Export or reexport to or on behalf of the denied person any item subject to the Regulations;

B. Take any action that facilitates the acquisition or attempted acquisition by a denied person of the ownership, possession, or control of any item subject to the Regulations that has been or will be exported from the United States, including financing or other support activities related to a transaction whereby a denied person acquires or attempts to acquire such ownership, possession or control;

¹The violations at issue occurred between mid-1990 and early 1992. The Regulations governing those violations are found in the 1990, 1991, and 1992 versions of the Code of Federal Regulations (15 CFR parts 768-799 (1990, 1991, and 1992)) and are referred to hereinafter as the former Regulations.