

clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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.

Issued at Washington, D.C. on November 3, 1997.

Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation.

**David G. Sanders,**

*Acting Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Submission to OMB for Review; Comment Request

October 23, 1997.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

#### Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

*OMB Number:* 1545-0794.

*Form Number:* IRS Form 8554.

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Application for Renewal of Enrollment to Practice Before the Internal Revenue Service.

*Description:* This information related to the approval of continuing professional education programs and the renewal of the enrollment status for those individuals admitted (enrolled) by the Internal Revenue Service.

*Respondents:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers:* 39,500.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per*

*Respondent/Recordkeeper:* 1 hour, 12 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* Other (One-time filing).

*Estimated Total Reporting/Recordkeeping Burden:* 47,400 hours.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1096.

*Form Number:* Form 9117.

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Excise Tax Program Order Blank for Forms and Publications.

*Description:* Form 9117 allows taxpayers who must file Form 720 returns a systemic way to order additional tax forms and informational publications.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 15,000.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per*

*Respondent:* 3 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* Annually.

*Estimated Total Reporting Burden:* 500 hours.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1271.

*Regulation Project Number:* REG-208165 (formerly INTL-54-91) and REG-209035-86 (formerly INTL-178-86) NPRM.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Transfers of Stock or Securities by U.S. Persons to Foreign Corporations, and Foreign Liquidations and Reorganizations.

*Description:* A U.S. person must generally file a gain recognition agreement with the Service in order to defer gain on a section 367(a) transfer of stock to a foreign corporation, and must file a notice with the Service if it realizes any income in a section 367(b) exchange. These requirements ensure compliance with the respective sections.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 600.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per*

*Respondent:* 4 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* Annually.

*Estimated Total Reporting Burden:* 2,400 hours.

*Clearance Officer:* Garrick Shear (202) 622-3869, Internal Revenue Service, Room 5571, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

*OMB Reviewer:* Alexander T. Hunt (202) 395-7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10226, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**Lois K. Holland,**

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## UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY

### Summer Institute for the Study of the United States for Foreign Secondary School Teachers and Teacher Trainers

**ACTION:** Notice—Request for Proposals.

**SUMMARY:** The Branch for the Study of the U.S. of the Office of Academic Programs of the United States Information Agency's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs announces an open competition for an assistance award program entitled "Summer Institute for the Study of the United States for Foreign Secondary School Teachers and Teacher Trainers." Public and private non-profit organizations meeting the provisions described in IRS regulation 26 CFR 1.501(c) may apply to develop a six-week graduate-level program designed for a multinational group of up to 30 secondary school teachers and teacher trainers. The program is intended to provide participants with a deeper understanding of the United States so that textbooks, curricula and teaching about U.S. society, culture and institutions in foreign secondary schools and teacher training institutions will be improved. Tentative program dates are June 20 through July 31, 1998.

USIA is seeking detailed proposals from colleges, universities, consortia of colleges and universities, and other not-for-profit academic organizations that have an established reputation in the disciplines and sub-disciplines that comprise American Studies, and that can demonstrate expertise in conducting graduate-level programs for foreign educators. *Applicant institutions must have a minimum of four years' experience in conducting international exchange programs.* The project director or one of the key program staff responsible for the academic program must have a doctoral degree in American studies or a related discipline. Staff escorts traveling under the USIA cooperative agreement support must be U.S. citizens with demonstrated qualifications for this service.

Overall grant making authority for this program is contained in the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, Pub. L. 87-256, as amended, also known as the Fulbright-Hays Act. The purpose of the Act is "to enable the Government of the United States to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries \* \* \*; to strengthen the ties which unite us with other nations by demonstrating the educational and cultural interests, developments, and achievements of the people of the United States and other nations \* \* \* and thus to assist in the development of friendly, sympathetic and peaceful relations between the United States and the other countries of the world."

Programs and projects must conform with Agency requirements and