

optional Assessment Period, provided that the Fund receives the following by the date set forth above:

(a) A detailed written explanation, with any and all supporting documentation, describing the Fund's technical advice, the impact of such advice on the insured depository institution's carrying out of CDFI Related Activities in February 1997; and

(b) A revised "Worksheet," "Certification," and "Documentation" to reflect the Qualified Activities carried out during the February 1, 1997 through July 31, 1997 Assessment Period (see 12 CFR 1806.301 and 1806.202(d)).

#### V. Acceptance

Elections received in the offices of the Fund after the date set forth above will be rejected. The Fund will accept a timely election from an eligible insured depository institution which meets its burden of establishing to the Fund that: (1) it carried out CDFI Related Activities in February 1997 as a direct or indirect result of the Fund's technical advice; and (2) it would have carried out those Activities during the March 1, 1997 through August 31, 1997 Assessment Period but for the Fund's technical advice. The Fund reserves the right to make follow-up inquiries.

**Authority:** 12 U.S.C. 1834a, 4701, 4704, 4713; 12 CFR part 1806.

**Maurice A. Jones,**

*Acting Deputy Director.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

##### Fiscal Service

#### Financial Management Service; Proposed Collection of Information: Annual Financial Statement of Surety Companies—Schedule F

**AGENCY:** Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Financial Management Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a continuing information collection. By this notice, the Financial Management Service solicits comments concerning the form "Annual Financial Statement of Surety Companies—Schedule F."

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before January 26, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Financial Management Service, 3361-

L 75th Avenue, Landover, Maryland 20785.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to the Surety Bond Branch, 3700 East-West Highway, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, (202) 874-6850.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), the Financial Management Service solicits comments on the collection of information described below.

*Title:* Annual Financial Statement of Surety Companies—Schedule F.

*OMB Number:* 1510-0012.

*Form Number:* FMS 6314.

*Abstract:* This form provides information that is used to determine the amount of unauthorized reinsurance of a Treasury Certified Company, and to compute its underwriting limitations. This computation is necessary to ensure the solvency of companies certified by Treasury, and their ability to carry out contractual surety requirements.

*Current Actions:* Extension of currently approved collection.

*Type of Review:* Regular.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 385.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* varies from 8 hrs-80 hrs.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 16,324.

*Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: November 19, 1997.

**Mitchell A. Levine,**

*Assistant Commissioner.*

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#### UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY

##### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** United States Information Agency.

**ACTION:** Proposed Collection; Comment Request.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Information Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on an information collection requirement concerning the public use form entitled "Application for Administrative and Teaching Exchanges/Seminars Abroad". This request for comment is being made pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 [Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)].

USIA is requesting OMB approval for a three-year reinstatement to the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program, Application for Teaching Positions/Seminars Abroad, IAP-92 under OMB control number 3116-0181 which is scheduled to expire on February 28, 1998. The information collection activity involved with this program is conducted pursuant to the mandate given to the United States Information Agency under the terms and conditions of the Mutual Education and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, Pub. L. 87-256.

**DATES:** Comments are due on or before January 26, 1998.

**COPIES:** Copies of the Request for Clearance (OMB 83-I), supporting statement, and other documents that will be submitted to OMB for approval may be obtained from the USIA Clearance Officer. Comments should be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for USIA, and also to the USIA Clearance Officer.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Agency Clearance Officer, Mrs. Jeannette Giovetti, United States Information Agency, M/ADD, 301 Fourth Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20547, telephone (202) 619-4408, internet address: JGiovett@USIA.GOV; and OMB review: Mr. Victoria Wassmer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building,