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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Melissa D. Rider, at (703) 602-0131. A copy of this information collection requirement is available electronically via the INTERNET at: <http://www.dtic.mil/dfars/>

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Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Defense FAR Supplement Part 204, Administrative Matters, and related clauses at 252.204; OMB Control Number 0704-0225.

Needs and Uses: This information collection requirement pertains to two types of information that a contractor must submit to DoD.

a. The Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS), at 204.404-70(a), prescribes the use of the clause at DFARS 252.204-7000, Disclosure of Information, when the contractor will have access to or generate unclassified information that may be sensitive and inappropriate for release to the public. This clause requires contractors to obtain contracting officer approval to release unclassified information outside of the contractor's organization unless the information is already in the public domain. In requesting such approval, the contractor must identify the specific information that will be released, the medium that will be used, and the purpose for the release. The Government reviews the information provided by the contractor to determine if it is sensitive or otherwise inappropriate for release for the stated purpose. Such requests are normally received only on research and development contracts or large dollar systems or operations contracts.

b. DFARS 204.602-70 prescribes the use of the solicitation provision at 252.204-7001, Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) Code Reporting, when CAGE codes for prospective offerors are not available to contracting officers. The provision requires an offeror to submit as part of its offer either a previously assigned CAGE code, or to ask the contracting officer to request a code from the Defense Logistics Service Center. In the

latter case, the Government will obtain a CAGE code for the offeror, if it is selected for award, using the procedures at DFARS 204.7202-1. The CAGE codes provided by offerors are used by the Government in automated acquisition systems to identify discrete entities that have been awarded contracts. The codes support efficient data exchange among automated systems for contract award, contract administration, and contract payment.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Annual Burden Hours: 66,898.

Number of Responses: 108,261.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden per Response: .62 hours.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

This information collection requirement pertains to information that contractors must submit to DoD to request release of unclassified data that is not in the public domain, or to provide or request assignment of a contractor and Government entity (CAGE) code. This information is used by DoD to (1) control unclassified data that is sensitive or otherwise inappropriate for release for the contractor's stated purpose, and (2) support efficient data exchange among automated systems for contract award, contract administration, and contract payment by assigning a unique code to each contractor doing business with DoD.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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Information Collection Requirements; Bonds and Insurance

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Sections 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement, and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. 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 estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. This information collection requirement is currently approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for use through September 30, 1998. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use through September 30, 2001.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 16, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection requirement should be sent to: Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: Ms. Amy Williams, (PDUSD (A&T) DP (DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062. Telefax (703) 602-0350.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Amy Williams, at (703) 602-0131. A copy of this information collection requirement is available electronically via the Internet at: <http://www.dtic.mil/dfars/>

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Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 228, Bonds and Insurance, and Related Clauses at 252.228, OMB Control Number 0704-0216.

Needs and Uses: This information collection requirement pertains to information collections used by DoD claims investigators to determine the amount and extent of claims placed against the Government and by DoD contracting officers to assess whether a contractor, other than a Spanish contractor or subcontractor, performing a service or construction contract in Spain, has insurance adequate to cover the risk assumed by the contractor or subcontractor.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.
Annual Burden Hours: 859 hours.
Number of Respondents: 49.
Responses Per Respondent: 1.
Number of Responses: 49.
Average Burden Per Response: 17.53 hours.
Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Summary of Information Collection**

- DFARS 252.228-7000, Reimbursement for War-Hazard Losses, requires the contractor to provide notice and supporting documentation to the Government regarding claims or potential claims under the clause.

- DFARS 252.228-7005, Accident Reporting and Investigation Involving Aircraft, Missiles, and Space Launch Vehicles, requires the contractor to report promptly to the Administrative Contracting Officer all pertinent facts relating to each accident involving an aircraft, missile, or space launch vehicle being manufactured, modified, repaired, or overhauled in connection with the contract.

- DFARS 252.228-7006, Compliance with Spanish Laws and Insurance, requires the contractor to provide a written representation that the contractor has obtained the required types of insurance in the minimum amounts specified in the clause. This information is obtained from contractors under service or construction contracts to be performed in Spain by other than Spanish contractors or subcontractors.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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Information Collection Requirements; Mortuary Services Contracts

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. 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 information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. This information collection requirement is currently approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for use through June 30, 1998. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use through June 30, 2001.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 16, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection requirement should be sent to: Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: Mr. Michael Pelkey, PDUSD(A&T)DP(DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062. Telefax (703) 602-0350. Please cite OMB Control Number 0704-0231 in all correspondence related to this issue. Comments may also be provided electronically by e-mailing the comments to dfars@acq.osd.mil. Please include OMB Control Number 0704-0231 in the subject line of the e-mail.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Michael Pelkey, at (703) 602-0131. A copy of this information collection requirement is available electronically via the Internet at: <http://www.dtic.mil/dfars/>

Paper copies may be obtained from Mr. Michael Pelkey, PDUSD(A&T)DP(DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Subpart 237.70, Mortuary Services, and the associated clause at DFARS 252.237-7011; no form is used for this information collection; OMB Number 0704-0231.

Needs and Uses: This requirement provides for the collection of necessary information from contractors regarding the results of the embalming process under contracts for mortuary services. The information is used to ensure proper preparation of the body for shipment and burial.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Annual Burden Hours: 400.

Number of Responses: 800.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 30 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Summary of Information Collection**

The clause at DFARS 252.237-7011, Preparation History, requires that the contractor submit information describing the results of the embalming process on each body prepared for burial under a DoD contract.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****Defense Science Board; Notice of Advisory Committee Meetings**

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board will meet in closed session on February 4-5, May 20-21, and October 7-8, 1998 at the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition & Technology on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At these meetings the Defense Science Board will discuss interim findings and tentative recommendations resulting from ongoing Task Force activities. The Board will also discuss plans for future consideration of scientific and technical aspects of specific strategies, tactics, and policies as they may affect the U.S. national defense posture.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, P.L. No. 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II, (1994)), it has been determined that these Defense Science Board meetings, concern matters listed in 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c)(1) (1994), and that accordingly these meetings will be closed to the public.

Dated: January 9, 1998.

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