from expressing views on the outcome of a negotiation after conclusion of the negotiation or Codex committee session.

F. Non-government members are not immune from any laws or regulation of the United States or of the host country as a result of participation on a United States delegation, and no government official may represent that participation confers any such immunity.

V. Public Notification of and Participation in U.S. Codex

A. The Office of the United States Manager for Codex Alimentarius publishes annually in the Federal Register a notice containing (1) Descriptions of the standards under consideration or planned for consideration by Codex committees and whether the United States is participating in the consideration of those standards; (2) the agenda for United States participation in Codex committee; (3) the agency responsible for representing the United States with regard to each standard under consideration or planned for consideration by Codex committees; and (4) a list of the Codex committees and the names and agency affiliations of the United States delegate and alternate delegate for each committee. This same information is available through the U.S. Codex website: http://www.usda.gov/agency/fsis/codex/index.htm. Also, the United States Manager for Codex Alimentarius maintains a list of non-government individuals, groups, and organizations that have expressed an interest in the activities of the Codex.

B. The United States delegate and alternate delegate will facilitate, to the greatest extent possible, public participation in United States Government activities relating to the Codex. Toward this end, the United States delegate will maintain a list of individuals, groups, and organizations that have expressed an interest in activities of the Codex committees.

C. The United States delegate will notify members of the public who have indicated an interest in a particular Codex committee's activities of the status of each agenda item and the United States Government's position or preliminary position on the agenda item, if such a position has been determined. The United States delegate may request members of the public who have indicated an interest in a particular Codex committee's activities to submit written comments. Public meetings may also be held to receive comments.

D. As required by section 491 of the Trade Agreement Act of 1979, as amended, (19 U.S.C. 2578), the agency responsible for accepting or rejecting a particular Codex sanitary or phytosanitary standard shall provide opportunity for public comment on the Codex standards under consideration or planned for consideration. This opportunity for public comment will be provided as early as possible following the identification of a sanitary or phytosanitary standard for consideration by a Codex committee. The comments received will be taken into account in the United States delegate's participation in the considerations of the Codex committee.

E. The United States delegate may solicit comments as deemed appropriate and all comments received will be considered. Public comments relevant to Codex committee activities should be supported by as much data or research as possible and such data or research should be properly referenced to enhance the persuasive impact of the comments. The United States delegate will consider all comments received but will not be bound to agree with any comment. The views expressed in these comments may or may not be presented by the United States delegate to a Codex committee.

Done at Washington, DC, on February 6, 1998.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission For OMB Review; Comment Request

DOC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: Bureau of the Census.
Title: Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal Integrated Coverage Measurement (ICM) Person Interview and Outmover Tracing Activities.

Type of request: New collection.
Burden: 11,742 hours.
Number of respondents: 28,400.
Avg hours per response: About 19 minutes.

Needs and uses: The Bureau of the Census developed the Integrated Coverage Measurement (ICM) approach for measuring coverage of housing units and populations during the decennial census. In the Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal, we are interested in conducting a rehearsal of our ICM approach to measuring the coverage of the census for housing units and people. The first phase of ICM consists of developing an independent listing of all addresses within the Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal sites. The independent listing will be matched to the census list of addresses; the unmatched cases will be sent to the field for reconciliation during the Housing Unit Follow-up operation. The resultant address listing will be used in the ICM Person Interview phase. The materials for the independent listing have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The materials for the Housing Unit Follow-up operation are currently awaiting OMB approval.

During the ICM Person Interview, the Bureau of the Census will interview target ICM sample cases. Intensive probing techniques will be used to