

Abstract: This regulation provides guidance on the requirements of section 204(h) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended. The regulation requires that a plan administrator provide a written notice to participants and certain other parties if certain pension plans are amended to provide for a significant reduction in the rate of future benefit accrual. The purpose of the notice is to assure that the rights of plan participants are protected.

Current Actions: There is no change to this existing regulation.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 5 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,500.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS:

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB 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.

Approved: December 21, 1998.

Garrick R. Shear,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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HARRY S. TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

Harry S. Truman Scholarship 1999 Competition

AGENCY: Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of Closing for Nominations from Eligible Institutions of Higher Education.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the authority contained in the Harry S. Truman Memorial Scholarship Act, Public Law 93-642 (20 U.S.C. 2001), nominations are being accepted from eligible institutions of higher education for 1999 Truman Scholarships. Procedures are prescribed in 45 CFR 1801 (August 22, 1994; vol. 59, No. 161 sec. 13).

In order to be assured consideration, all documentation in support of nominations for the competition must be received by the Truman Scholarship Review Committee, 2201 North Dodge, P.O. Box 168, Iowa City, IA 52243 no later than January 26, 1999, from participating four year institutions.

Dated: December 17, 1998.

Louis H. Blair,

Executive Secretary.

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UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY

Matisse and Picasso; Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition

AGENCY: United States Information Agency.

SUBJECT: Culturally Significant Objects Imported For Exhibition Determinations.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (79 Stat. 985, 22 U.S.C. 2459), Executive Order 12047 of March 27, 1978 (43 FR 13359, March 29, 1978), and Delegation Order No. 85-5 of June 27, 1985 (50 FR 27393, July 2, 1985).

ACTION: I hereby determine that the objects to be included in the exhibit "Matisse and Picasso: A Gentle Rivalry," imported from abroad for temporary exhibition without profit within the United States, are of cultural significance. These objects are imported pursuant to a loan agreement with a foreign lender. I also determine that the temporary exhibition or display of the listed exhibit objects at the Kimbell Art Museum, Fort Worth, Texas, from on or about January 31, 1999, to on or about May 2, 1999, is in the national interest. Public Notice of these determinations is ordered to be published in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Carol Epstein, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, 202/619-6981, and the address is Room 700, U.S. Information Agency, 301 4th St., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20547-0001.

Dated: December 22, 1998.

Les Jin,

General Counsel.

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