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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

[INTL-121-90, INTL-292-90, and INTL-361-89]

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Regulation Project

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, 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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning existing final regulations INTL-121-90 (TD 8733), INTL-292-90 (TD 8305), and INTL-361-89 (TD 8292), Treaty-Based Return Positions (§§ 301.6114-1 and 301.7701(b)-7).

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before April 19, 1999 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue Service, room 5571, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the regulations should be directed to Carol Savage, (202) 622-3945, Internal Revenue Service, room 5569, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Treaty-Based Return Positions.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1126.

*Regulation Project Number:* INTL-121-90, INTL-292-90, and INTL-361-89.

*Abstract:* Regulation section 301.6114-1 sets forth reporting requirements under Code section 6114 relating to treaty-based return positions. Persons or entities subject to these reporting requirements must make the required disclosure on a statement attached to their return or be subject to

a penalty. Regulation section 301.7701(b)-7(a)(4)(iv)(C) sets forth the reporting requirement for dual resident S corporation shareholders who claim treaty benefits as nonresidents of the U.S. Persons subject to this reporting requirement must enter into an agreement with the S corporation to withhold tax pursuant to procedures prescribed by the Commissioner.

*Current Actions:* There is no change to these existing regulations.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households, and business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 6,020.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 1 hr.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden*

*Hours:* 6,015.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

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.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

[LR-115-72]

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Regulation Project

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, 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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning an existing final regulation, LR-115-72 (TD 8043), Manufacturers Excise Taxes on Sporting Goods and Firearms and Other Administrative Provisions of Special Application To Manufacturers and Retailers Excise Taxes (§§ 48.4161, 48.6416, 48.6420, 48.6421, 48.6424, and 48.6427).

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before April 19, 1999 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue Service, room 5571, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the regulation should be directed to Carol Savage, (202) 622-3945, Internal Revenue Service, room 5569, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Manufacturers Excise Taxes on Sporting Goods and Firearms and Other Administrative Provisions of Special Application To Manufacturers and Retailers Excise Taxes.

*OMB Number:* 1545-0723.

*Regulation Project Number:* LR-115-72.

*Abstract:* Chapters 31 and 32 of the Internal Revenue Code impose excise taxes on the sale or use of certain articles. Code section 6416 allows a credit or refund of the tax to manufacturers in certain cases. Code sections 6420, 6421, and 6427 allow credits or refunds of the tax to certain users of the articles. This regulation contains reporting and recordkeeping requirements that enable the IRS and taxpayers to verify that the proper amount of tax is reported or excluded.

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

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Individuals, business or other for-profit organizations, not-for-profit institutions, farms, and state, local, or tribal governments.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,500,000.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 19 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 475,000.

The following paragraph applies to all the collections of information covered by this notice:

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.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

### **Internal Revenue Service (IRS)**

#### **Notice of Open Meeting of Citizen Advocacy Panel, So. Fl District**

**SUMMARY:** An open meeting of the So. Fla. Citizen Advocacy Panel will be held in Sunrise, Florida.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Friday, February 26, 1999 and Saturday, February 27, 1999.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nancy Ferree at 1-888-912-1227, or 954-423-7973.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Citizen Advocacy Panel will be held Friday, February 26, 1999 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm and Saturday, February 27, 1999 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, in Room 225, CAP Office, 7771 W. Oakland Park Blvd., Sunrise, Florida 33351. The public is invited to make oral comments. Individual comments will be limited to 10 minutes. If you would like to have the CAP consider a written statement, please call 1-888-912-1227 or 954-423-7973, or write Nancy Ferree, CAP Office, 7771 W. Oakland Park Blvd., Room 225, Sunrise, FL 33351. Due to limited conference space, notification of intent to attend the meeting must be made with Nancy Ferree. Ms. Ferree can be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or 954-423-7973.

The Agenda will include the following: various IRS issue updates and reports by the CAP sub-groups.

**Note:** Last minute changes to the agenda are possible and could prevent effective advance notice.

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