

Current Actions: There are no changes to the information collection.

Type of Review: Extension (without change).

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 15.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 85 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,325.

Estimated Total Annualized Cost on the Public: \$15,900.

Dated: October 14, 1999.

J. Edgar Nichols,

Agency Clearance Officer, Printing and Records Services Group.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Customs Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Declaration of Person Who Performed Repairs

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, Customs invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on an information collection requirement concerning the U.S. Customs Declaration. This request for comment is being made pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3505(c)(2)).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before December 20, 1999, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to U.S. Customs Service, Information Services Group, Attn.: J. Edgar Nichols, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Room 3.2C, Washington, DC 20229.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to U.S. Customs Service, Attn.: J. Edgar Nichols, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Room 3.2C, Washington, DC 20229, Tel. (202) 927-1426.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Customs invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3505(c)(2)). The comments should address: (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 estimates 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 including the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operations, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information. The comments that are submitted will be summarized and included in the Customs request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. In this document Customs is soliciting comments concerning the following information collection:

Title: Declaration of Person Who Performed Repairs.

OMB Number: 1515-0137.

Form Number: None.

Abstract: The Declaration of Person Who Performed Repairs is used by Customs to ensure duty-free status for entries covering articles repaired aboard. It must be filed by importers claiming duty-free status.

Current Actions: There are no changes to the information collection. This submission is being submitted to extend the expiration date.

Type of Review: Extension (without change).

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10,236.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 10,236.

Estimated Total Annualized Cost on the Public: N/A.

Dated: October 14, 1999.

J. Edgar Nichols,

Agency Clearance Officer, Information Services Group.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Customs Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request User Fees (Customs Form 339)

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent

burden, Customs invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on an information collection requirement concerning the U.S. Customs Declaration. This request for comment is being made pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3505(c)(2)).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before December 20, 1999, to be assured of consideration.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to U.S. Customs Service, Attn.: J. Edgar Nichols, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Room 3.2C, Washington, D.C. 20229, Tel. (202) 927-1426.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Customs invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3505(c)(2)). The comments should address: (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 estimates 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 including the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operations, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information. The comments that are submitted will be summarized and included in the Customs request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. In this document Customs is soliciting comments concerning the following information collection:

Title: User Fees.

OMB Number: 1515-0154.

Form Number: Customs Form 339.

Abstract: The User Fees, Customs Form 339, information is necessary for Customs to effectively collect fees from private and commercial vessels, private aircraft, operators of commercial trucks, and passenger and freight railroad cars entering the United States and

recipients of certain dutiable mail entries for certain official services.

Current Actions: There are no changes to the information collection. This submission is being submitted to extend the expiration date.

Type of Review: Extension (without change).

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 200,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 50,000.

Estimated Total Annualized Cost on the Public: N/A.

Dated: October 14, 1999.

J. Edgar Nichols,

Agency Clearance Officer, Information Services Group.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Financial Crimes Enforcement Network

Customs Service

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Report of International Transportation of Currency or Monetary Instruments

AGENCY: Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) and United States Customs Service (Customs).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, FinCEN and Customs invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on an information collection requirement concerning the Report of International Transportation of Currency or Monetary Instruments. This request for comment is being made pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before December 20, 1999 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to: FinCEN: Office of Chief Counsel, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Department of the Treasury, Suite 200, 2070 Chain Bridge Road, Vienna, VA 22182-2536. **Attention:** PRA Comments—Report of International Transportation of Currency or Monetary Instruments. Comments also may be

submitted by electronic mail to the following Internet address:

“regcomments@fincen.treas.gov” with the caption in the body of the text, “**Attention:** PRA Comments—Report of International Transportation of Currency or Monetary Instruments.”

Customs: U.S. Customs Service, Attn.: Joseph R. Catanzarite, Financial Investigations, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Room 7.2C, Washington, DC 20229.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or for a copy of the form should be directed to: FinCEN: Christine Schuetz, Attorney-Advisor, FinCEN, at (703) 905-3644, or Anna Fotias, Chief, Regulatory Outreach Programs, FinCEN, at (703) 905-3695.

Customs: U.S. Customs Service, Attn.: Joseph R. Catanzarite, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Room 7.2C, Washington, DC 20229. Tel. (202) 927-1520.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Report of International Transportation of Currency or Monetary Instruments.

OMB Number: 1515-0079.

Form Number: Customs Form 4790.

Abstract: The Bank Secrecy Act, Titles I and II of Pub. L. 91-508, as amended, codified at 12 U.S.C. 1829b, 12 U.S.C. 1951-1959, and 31 U.S.C. 5311-5330, authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury, *inter alia*, to issue regulations requiring records and reports that are determined to have a high degree of usefulness in criminal, tax, and regulatory matters. Regulations implementing Title II of the Bank Secrecy Act (codified at 31 CFR part 103. The authority of the Secretary to administer Title II of the Bank Secrecy Act has been delegated to the Director of FinCEN.

The Bank Secrecy Act specifically states that “a person or an agent or bailee of the person shall file a report * * * when the person, agent, or bailee knowingly—(1) transports, is about to transport, or has transported, monetary instruments of more than \$10,000 at one time—(A) from a place in the United States to or through a place outside the United States; or (B) to a place in the United States from or through a place outside the United States; or (2) receives monetary instruments of more than \$10,000 at one time transported into the United States from or through a place outside the United States.” 31 U.S.C. 5316(a). The requirement of 31 U.S.C. 5316(a) has been implemented through regulations promulgated at 31 CFR 103.23 and through the instructions to the Report of International Transportation of Currency or Monetary

Instruments (CMIR), U.S. Customs Service Form 4790.

Information collected on the CMIR is made available, in accordance with strict safeguards, to appropriate criminal law enforcement and regulatory personnel in the official performance of their duties. The information collected is of use in investigations involving international and domestic money laundering, tax evasion, fraud, and other financial crimes.

Current Actions: The CMIR is being revised to clarify the instructions to the form. The form is also being streamlined by combining Parts I and II of the form now in use into one part; as a result, the items on the form are being renumbered. Finally, two questions on the form are being revised slightly to make them more useful. Question 15 of Part II (question 27c of the form now in use) is revised to add after “Type of Business Activity, Occupations, or Profession” a box to check when the business is a bank. Under Part III, Currency and Monetary Instrument Information, the entry for other instruments is revised to read “Specify type, issuing entity and date, and serial or other identifying number.”

Type of Review: Revision of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals, business or other for-profit institutions, not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 180,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 11 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 33,000 hours.

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. Records required to be retained under the Bank Secrecy Act must be retained for five years. Generally, information collected pursuant to the Bank Secrecy Act is confidential, but may be shared as provided by law with regulatory and law enforcement authorities.

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