

*Respondents:* Entities wishing to provide employment opportunities to IPPCTP participants as well as persons selected for participation in the IPPCTP.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 4200.

*Average Hours Per Response:* (a) Prospective Employers: up to 2 hours in providing employer background information and up to 1 hour in reporting on participants' work experience (for each participant hired by an employer). (b) Participants: up to 2 hours in providing background/resume information, a photograph, and tracking information. Where participation originates with an employer nomination, the increase of time required of an employer in providing employee-related information will be offset by a corresponding reduction in the time otherwise required of employees in providing this same information.

*Total Estimated Burden:* 12,400 hours.

The proposed information collection is being published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Emergency review and approval of this collection has been requested from OMB by March 1, 2000. If granted, the emergency approval will only be valid for 180 days. Comments should be directed to the State Department Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Washington, DC 20530, (202) 395-5871.

During the first 60 days of this same period a regular review of this information collection will also be undertaken, pursuant to the OMB's standard review process. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until the 60th day from the date that this notice is published in the **Federal Register**. The agency requests written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information. Comments are being solicited to permit the agency to:

- Evaluate 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.
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including

through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of technology.

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Public comments, or requests for additional information, regarding the collection listed in this notice should be directed to the Officer for Ireland and Northern Ireland Affairs, Bureau of European Affairs (EUR/UBI), Room 4513, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20520, (202) 647-6585.

Dated: March 1, 2000.

**Catherine M. Smith,**

*Acting Executive Director Bureau of European Affairs, U.S. Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 3251]

### Proposed Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Department of State.

**ACTION:** 60-day notice of proposed information collection; U.S. department of state, parking permit application, DS-1987.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment in the **Federal Register** preceding submission to OMB. This process is conducted in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

The following summarizes the information collection proposal submitted to OMB:

*Type of Request:* Paperwork Reduction Act.

*Originating Office:* A/OPR/GSM/SS.

*Title of Information Collection:*

Parking Permit Application.

*Frequency:* Year-round with one large collection done once a year.

*Form Number:* DS-1987.

*Respondents:* Department of State employees and contractors.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 4,050.

*Average Hours Per Response:* ¼ hour.

*Total Estimated Burden:* 1,012.50.

Public comments are being solicited to permit the agency to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency.
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of technology.

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Public comments, or requests for additional information, regarding the collection listed in this notice should be directed to Ms. Lee Martinez, Room B258, 202/647-0305, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20520.

Dated: February 24, 2000.

**Robert B. Dickson,**

*Executive Director, Bureau of Administration, U.S. Department of State.*

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## OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

### Technical Correction to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Technical correction to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Trade Representative (the USTR) is modifying the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS) as set forth below, pursuant to authority granted by Congress to the President in section 604 of the Trade Act of 1974 (Trade Act) and delegated to the USTR in Presidential Proclamation No. 6969 of January 27, 1997 (62 FR 4415). This technical correction is to ensure that the intended tariff treatment is accorded to certain imported valve spring quality wire rod. **ADDRESSES:** Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20508.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gordana Earp, Acting Assistant United States Trade Representative, (202) 395-6160, or Audrey Winter, Associate General Counsel, (202) 395-7305.

### Correction to HTS

Presidential Proclamation 7273 of February 16, 2000 (65 FR 8621) modified subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTS in order to facilitate positive adjustment to competition from imports of certain steel wire rod. The proclamation inserted new U.S. note 9 in that subchapter; the note provides that various steel products are excluded from the new subheadings