

which is scheduled to expire on October 1, 2007.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the provisions of the Privacy Act, as amended, this notice announces the renewal of an existing computer matching program that SSA is currently conducting with RRB.

**DATES:** SSA will file a report of the subject matching program with the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate; the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform of the House of Representatives; and the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The renewal of the matching program will be effective as indicated below.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties may comment on this notice by either telefax to (410) 965-8582 or writing to the Associate Commissioner for Income Security Programs, 252 Altmeier Building, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235-6401. All comments received will be available for public inspection at this address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The Associate Commissioner for Income Security Programs as shown above.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. General**

The Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988 (Public Law (Pub. L.) 100-503), amended the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) by describing the conditions under which computer matching involving the Federal government could be performed and adding certain protections for individuals applying for and receiving Federal benefits. Section 7201 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-508) further amended the Privacy Act regarding protections for such individuals.

The Privacy Act, as amended, regulates the use of computer matching by Federal agencies when records in a system of records are matched with other Federal, State or local government records. It requires Federal agencies involved in computer matching programs to:

- (1) Negotiate written agreements with the other agency or agencies participating in the matching programs;
- (2) Obtain the approval of the matching agreement by the Data Integrity Boards (DIB) of the participating Federal agencies;
- (3) Publish notice of the computer matching program in the **Federal Register**;

(4) Furnish detailed reports about matching programs to Congress and OMB;

(5) Notify applicants and beneficiaries that their records are subject to matching; and

(6) Verify match findings before reducing, suspending, terminating or denying an individual's benefits or payments.

**B. SSA Computer Matches Subject to the Privacy Act**

We have taken action to ensure that all of SSA's computer matching programs comply with the requirements of the Privacy Act, as amended.

Dated: June 5, 2007.

**Manuel J. Vaz,**

*Acting Deputy Commissioner for Disability and Income Security Programs.*

**Notice of Computer Matching Program, Social Security Administration (SSA) With the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB)**

*A. Participating Agencies*

SSA and RRB.

*B. Purpose of the Matching Program*

The purpose of this matching program is to establish the conditions, terms and safeguards under which RRB agrees to the disclosure of RRB annuity payment data to SSA. This disclosure will provide SSA with information necessary to verify an individual's self-certification of eligibility for prescription drug subsidy assistance under the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA). The disclosure will also enable SSA to implement a Medicare outreach program mandated by section 1144 of title XI of the Social Security Act. Information disclosed by RRB will enable SSA to identify individuals to determine their eligibility for Medicare Savings Programs (MSP) and subsidized Medicare prescription drug coverage and enable SSA, in turn, to identify these individuals to the States.

*C. Authority for Conducting the Matching Program*

The legal authority for SSA to conduct this matching activity is contained in section 1860D-14 (42 U.S.C. 1395w-114) and section 1144 (42 U.S.C. 1320b-14) of the Act.

*D. Categories of Records and Individuals Covered by the Matching Program*

*1. Specified Data Elements Used in the Match*

a. RRB will electronically furnish SSA with the following RRB annuitant data:

Name, Social Security Number, date of birth, RRB claim number, and annuity payment.

b. SSA will match this file against the Medicare database (MDB).

**2. Systems of Records**

RRB will provide SSA with electronic files containing RRB annuity payment, address changes and subsidy changing events data on Qualified RRB beneficiaries from its systems of records, RRB-22 Railroad Retirement Survivors and Pension Benefits Systems (CHICO). RRB will also provide SSA with electronic files of all qualified RRB beneficiaries from its system of records, RRB-20 (Medicare) and newly qualified RRB beneficiaries from RRB's Post-Entitlement System (PSRRB). Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(3), RRB has established routine uses to disclose the subject information.

SSA will match the RRB information with the electronic data from SSA's system of records, No. 60-0321, MDB (Medicare Database).

*E. Inclusive Dates of the Matching Program*

The matching program will become effective upon signing of the agreement by all parties to the agreement and approval of the agreement by the Data Integrity Boards of the respective agencies, but no sooner than 40 days after notice of the matching program is sent to Congress and the Office of Management and Budget, or 30 days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, whichever date is later. The matching program will continue for 18 months from the effective date and may be extended for an additional 12 months thereafter, if certain conditions are met.

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

**[Public Notice: 5853]**

**30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: DS-230, Application for Immigrant Visa and Alien Registration, OMB Number 1405-0015**

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comment and submission to OMB of proposed collection of information.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

- *Title of Information Collection:* Application for Immigrant Visa and Alien Registration.
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405–0015.
- *Type of Request:* Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.
- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State (CA/VO).
- *Form Number:* DS–230.
- *Respondents:* Immigrant visa applicants.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 475,000 per year.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 475,000 per year.
- *Average Hours per Response:* 2 hours.
- *Total Estimated Burden:* 950,000 hours per year.
- *Frequency:* Once per respondent.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit.

**DATES:** Submit comments to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for up to 30 days from July 2, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct comments and questions to Katherine Astrich, the Department of State Desk Officer in the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), who may be reached at 202–395–4718. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- E-mail: [kastrich@omb.eop.gov](mailto:kastrich@omb.eop.gov). You must include the DS form number, information collection title, and OMB control number in the subject line of your message.
- *Mail (paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions):* Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.
- *Fax:* 202–395–6974.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed information collection and supporting documents, to Lauren Prosnik of the Office of Visa Services, U.S. Department of State, 2401 E. Street, NW., L–603, Washington, DC 20522, who may be reached at 202–663–2951.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary to properly perform our functions.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our 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.

#### Abstract of proposed collection:

Form DS–230 is used to elicit information to determine the eligibility of aliens applying for immigrant visas.

#### Methodology:

The information will be collected in person at posts.

Dated: June 7, 2007.

**Stephen A. Edson,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 5854]

### 30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Form DS–117, Application to Determine Returning Resident Status, OMB Control Number 1405–0091

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comment and submission to OMB of proposed collection of information.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

- *Title of Information Collection:* Application to Determine Returning Resident Status.
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405–0091.
- *Type of Request:* Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.
- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State (CA/VO).
- *Form Number:* DS–117.
- *Respondents:* Aliens applying for special immigrant classification as a returning resident.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 875 per year.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 875.
- *Average Hours Per Response:* 30 minutes.
- *Total Estimated Burden:* 438 hours per year.
- *Frequency:* Once per respondent.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit.

**DATES:** Submit comments to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for up to 30 days from July 2, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct comments and questions to Katherine Astrich, the Department of State Desk Officer in the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), who may be reached at 202–395–4718. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- E-mail:

*Katherine\_T.\_Astrich@omb.eop.gov.*

You must include the DS form number, information collection title, and OMB control number in the subject line of your message.

- *Mail (paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions):* Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.
- *Fax:* 202–395–6974.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed information collection and supporting documents, to Lauren Prosnik of the Office of Visa Services, U.S. Department of State, 2401 E. Street, NW. L–603, Washington, DC 20522, who may be reached at (202) 663–2951.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary to properly perform our functions.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our 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. Abstract of proposed collection:

Form DS–117 is used by consular officers to determine the eligibility of an alien applicant for special immigrant status as a returning resident.

#### Methodology:

Information will be collected in person at posts abroad. Additional Information:

Dated: June 7, 2007.

**Stephen A. Edson,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State.*

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