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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, Force Health Protection and Readiness, ATTN: Ms. Caroline Miner, 5113 Leesburg Pike, Suite 901, Falls Church, Virginia 22041, or call Force Health Protection and Readiness, at 703-578-8500 or 1-800-754-2132.

*Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number:* Survey of Experiences with the Human Subjects Review Process; OMB Control Number 0720-TBD.

*Needs and Uses:* This information collection aligns with the Military Health System objectives to foster research innovations and to transform the infrastructure to eliminate redundancies and increase desired outcomes. The proposed information collection will enable the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Human Research Protection Program to assess the effectiveness of current review processes and facilitate efforts to measure and improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the program.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 500.

*Number of Respondents:* 1000.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden per Response:* 30 minutes.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Summary of Information Collection**

Respondents are researchers who may have submitted a research protocol to an Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness institution for human subjects review within the past year. The survey will ask respondents about the number and types of approvals required for their research and the amount of time taken to obtain the required reviews and approvals.

Dated: November 18, 2008.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,  
Department of Defense.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### **Office of the Secretary**

[Docket ID DoD-2008-OS-0142]

#### **Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Defense Finance and Accounting Service, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service announces the proposed extension of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed 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 proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by January 26, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Federal Docket Management System Office, 1160 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1160.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Defense Finance and Accounting Service—Cleveland, *Attn:* Ms. Theresa A Matthes, DFAS-CL/JFRA, 1240 E. 9th Street, Cleveland, OH 44199, or call Ms. Theresa A Matthes, (216) 204-2383.

*Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number:* Custodianship Certification to Support Claim on Behalf of Minor Children of Deceased Members of the Armed Forces, DD Form 2790, OMB Control Number 0730-0010.

*Needs and Uses:* Per DoD Financial Management Regulation, 7000.14-R Volume 7B, Chapter 46, paragraph 460103A(1), an annuity for a minor child is paid to the legal guardian, or, if there is no legal guardian, to the natural parent who has care, custody, and control of the child as the custodian, or to a representative payee of the child. An annuity may be paid directly to the child when the child is considered to be of majority age under the law in the state of residence. The child then is considered an adult for annuity purposes and a custodian or legal fiduciary is not required.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 120 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 300.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden per Response:* 24 minutes.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Summary of Information Collection**

The form is used by the Directorate of Retired and Annuity Pay, Defense Finance and Accounting Service—Cleveland, (DFAS-CL) in order to pay the annuity to the correct person on behalf of a child under the age of majority. If the form with the completed certification is not received, the annuity payments are suspended. Since the funds for annuity are paid by members there are no consequences to the Federal Government.

November 18, 2008

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,  
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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### **GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION**

#### **NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[OMB Control No. 9000-0010]

#### **Federal Acquisition Regulation; Information Collection; Progress Payments**

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA),

and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning progress payments. The clearance currently expires on March 31, 2009.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before January 26, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (VPR), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4041, Washington, DC 20405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Edward Chambers, Procurement Analyst, Contract Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-3221.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Purpose**

Certain Federal contracts provide for progress payments to be made to the contractor during performance of the contract. The requirement for certification and supporting information are necessary for the administration of statutory and regulatory limitation on the amount of progress payments under a contract. The submission of supporting cost schedules in an optional procedure that, when the contractor elects to have a group of individual orders treated as a single contract for progress payments purposes, is necessary for the administration of

statutory and regulatory requirements concerning progress payments.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

*Respondents:* 27,000.  
*Responses Per Respondent:* 32.  
*Annual Responses:* 864,000.  
*Hours Per Response:* .55.  
*Total Burden Hours:* 475,000.  
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**PROPOSALS:** Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (VPR), Room 4035, 1800 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0010, Progress Payments, in all correspondence.

Dated: November 14, 2008.

**Al Matera,**

*Director, Office of Acquisition Policy.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Department of the Air Force**

[Docket ID USAF-2008-0036]

**Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** United States Air Force Logistics Transformation Office (HQ USAF/A4IT), DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the United States Air Force Logistics Transformation Office announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed 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 proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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*Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number:* Expeditionary Combat Support System (ECSS) Readiness Survey; OMB Control Number 0701-TBD.

*Needs and Uses:* The information collection requirement is necessary to measure the knowledge and acceptance of the new system by potential users and their managers. The results will be used to gauge the effectiveness of program activities and identify necessary course corrections.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for profit.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 924 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 2767.

*Responses per Respondent:* 2.

*Average Burden per Response:* 10 minutes.

*Frequency:* Annually.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Summary of Information Collection**

Respondents are U.S. Air Force contractors that use, provide information to, or use information from any of the current U.S. Air Force logistics computer systems; along with all other government personnel that use these systems. Responders will voluntarily complete a survey that asks about their knowledge and acceptance of the new system. The results will be used to gauge the effectiveness of program activities and identify necessary course corrections to ensure all personnel have received the information and education needed to transition to the new systems, policies, processes, and procedures.