DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[OMB Number 1121–0218]

Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention; Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comments Requested: Census of Juveniles in Residential Placement (Revision of a Currently Approved Collection)

ACTION: 60-Day Notice.

The Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for “sixty days” until January 25, 2013. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

If you have comments especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact Brecht Donoghue, (202) 305–1270, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, 810 Seventh Street NW., Washington, DC 20531.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

—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 agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
—Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
—Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

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(1) Type of information collection: Revision of a Currently Approved Collection.

(2) The title of the form/collection: Census of Juveniles in Residential Placement.

(3) The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection: The form number is CJ–14, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, United States Department of Justice.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Federal Government, State, Local or Tribal. Other: Not-for-profit institutions; Business or other for-profit.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/report: It is estimated that 2,550 respondents will complete a 3.5-hour questionnaire.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: Approximately 9,225 hours.

If additional information is required, contact: Jerri Murray, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street NE., Room 3W–1407B, Washington, DC 20530.


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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Child Labor, Forced Labor, and Forced or Indentured Child Labor in the Production of Goods in Foreign Countries and Efforts by Certain Countries To Eliminate the Worst Forms of Child Labor

AGENCY: The Bureau of International Labor Affairs, United States Department of Labor.

ACTION: Notice: Request for information and invitation to comment.

SUMMARY: This notice is a request for information and/or comment on reports issued by the Bureau of International Labor Affairs (ILAB) September 26, 2012, regarding child labor and forced labor in foreign countries. Relevant information will be used by the Department of Labor (DOL) in preparation of its ongoing reporting under Congressional mandates and Presidential directive. In addition, ILAB will use relevant information to conduct assessments of each country’s individual advancement toward eliminating the worst forms of child labor during the current reporting period compared to previous years.

DATES: Submitters of information are requested to provide their submission to the Office of Child Labor, Forced Labor and Human Trafficking (OCFT) at the email or physical address below by 5 p.m. January 15, 2013.

To Submit Information: Information submitted to DOL should be submitted directly to OCFT, Bureau of International Labor Affairs, U.S. Department of Labor at (202) 693–4843 (this is not a toll free number). Comments, identified as “Docket No. DOL–2012–0006,” may be submitted by any of the following methods: Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. The portal includes instructions for submitting comments. Parties submitting responses electronically are encouraged not to submit paper copies.

Email: Email submissions should be addressed to Karrie Peterson at peterson.karrie.m@dol.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karrie Peterson (see contact information above).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: I. Section 105(b)(1) of the Trafficking Victims
Protection Reauthorization Act of 2005 ("TVPRA of 2005"), Public Law 109–164 (2006), directed the Secretary of Labor, acting through ILAB, to "develop and make available to the public a list of goods from countries that the Bureau of International Labor Affairs has reason to believe are produced by forced labor or child labor in violation of international standards" (TVPRA List).

Pursuant to this mandate, in December 2007 DOL published in the Federal Register a set of procedural guidelines that ILAB follows in developing the TVPRA List (72 FR 73374). The guidelines set forth the criteria by which information is evaluated; established procedures for public submission of information to be considered by ILAB; and identified the process ILAB follows in maintaining and updating the List after its initial publication.

ILAB published its first TVPRA List on September 30, 2009, and has issued updates in 2010, 2011, and 2012. This List is updated periodically as additional countries and territories are researched and new information for countries and territories already reviewed is evaluated. For a copy of the 2012 TVPRA report, Frequently Asked Questions, and other materials relating to the TVPRA List, see ILAB’s TVPRA Web page at: http://www.dol.gov/ILAB/programs/ocft/tvprra.htm.

II. Executive Order No. 13126 (E.O. 13126) declared that it was “the policy of the United States Government * * * that the executive agencies shall take appropriate actions to enforce the laws prohibiting the manufacture or importation of goods, wares, articles, and merchandise mined, produced, or manufactured wholly or in part by forced or indentured child labor.”

Pursuant to E.O. 13126, and following public notice and comment, the Department of Labor published in the January 18, 2001, Federal Register, a final list of products (“E.O. List”), identified by country of origin, that the Department, in consultation and cooperation with the Departments of State (DOS) and Treasury [relevant responsibilities now within the Department of Homeland Security (DHS)], had a reasonable basis to believe might have been mined, produced or manufactured with forced or indentured child labor (66 FR 5353). In addition to the List, the Department also published on January 18, 2001, “Procedural Guidelines for Maintenance of the List of Products Requiring Federal Contractor Certification as to Forced or Indentured Child Labor,” which provide for maintaining, reviewing, and, as appropriate, revising the EO List (66 FR 5351).

Pursuant to Sections D through G of the Procedural Guidelines, the EO List may be updated through consideration of submissions by individuals or through OCFT’s own initiative.

DOL has officially revised the EO List three times, on July 20, 2010, May 31, 2011, and April 3, 2012, each time after public notice and comment as well as consultation with DOS and DHS. In addition, DOL published an initial determination on September 27, 2012 proposing another revision to the EO List and requesting public comment (76 FR 61384).


III. The Trade and Development Act of 2000 (TDA), Public Law 106–200 (2002), established a new eligibility criterion for receipt of trade benefits under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP), Caribbean Basin Trade and Partnership Act (CBTPA), and Africa Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA). The TDA amends the GSP reporting requirements of Section 504 of the Trade Act of 1974, 19 U.S.C. 2464, to require that the President’s annual report on the status of internationally recognized worker rights include “findings by the Secretary of Labor with respect to the beneficiary country’s implementation of its international commitments to eliminate the worst forms of child labor.” Title II of the TDA and the TDA Conference Report, Joint Explanatory Statement of the Committee of Conference, 106th Cong. 2d. Sess. (2000), indicate that the same criterion applies for the receipt of benefits under CBTPA and AGOA, respectively.

In addition, the Andean Trade Preference Act, as amended and expanded by the Andean Trade Procurement and Drug Eradication Act, Public Law 107–210, Title XXXI (2002), includes as a criterion for receiving benefits “[w]hether the country has implemented its commitments to eliminate the worst forms of child labor as defined in section 507(6) of the Trade Act of 1974.” DOL fulfills these reporting mandates through annual publication of the U.S. Department of Labor’s Findings on the Worst Forms of Child Labor with respect to countries eligible for the aforementioned programs. The 2011 report and additional background information are available on the Internet at http://www.dol.gov/ILAB/programs/ocft/tda.htm.

Information Requested and Invitation to Comment: Interested parties are invited to comment and provide information regarding DOL’s 2011 TDA Report; the 2012 TVPRA List; and the current E.O. 13126 List, all of which may be found on the Internet at http://www.dol.gov/ILAB/programs/ocft/research.htm or obtained from OCFT. DOL requests comments or information to update the findings and suggestions for government action for countries reviewed in the TDA Report, as well as to assess each country’s individual advancement toward eliminating the worst forms of child labor during the current reporting period compared to previous years. For more information on the types of issues covered in the TDA Report, please see Appendix II of the report. In addition, DOL especially appreciates information on the nature and extent of child labor, forced labor, and forced or indentured child labor in the production of goods in foreign countries as well as information on government, industry, or third-party actions to address these issues for countries reviewed for the E.O. and TVPRA lists. Materials submitted should be confined to the specific topics of these reports. DOL will generally consider sources with dates up to five years old (i.e., data not older than January 1, 2007). DOL appreciates the extent to which submissions clearly indicate the time period to which they apply. In the interest of transparency, classified information will not be accepted. Where applicable, information submitted should indicate its source or sources, and copies of the source material should be provided. If primary sources are utilized, such as research studies, interviews, direct observations, or other sources of quantitative or qualitative data, details on the research or data-gathering methodology should be provided. Please see the 2011 TDA Report, 2012 TVPRA List, and E.O. List for a complete explanation of relevant terms, definitions, and reporting guidelines employed by DOL, or refer to ILAB’s previous Request for Information published in the Federal Register on February 16, 2012 (77 FR 9267).

This notice is a general solicitation of comments from the public.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 15th day of November 2012.

Carol Pier,
Acting Deputy Undersecretary for International Affairs.