

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Peysner, Special Advisor to the Associate Administrator, Office of Investment and Innovation, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 Third Street SW., 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20416, (202) 205-6981, [accelerators@sba.gov](mailto:accelerators@sba.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Competition Details**

1. *Subject of Challenge Competition:* For the purposes of this competition, Growth Accelerators include accelerators, incubators, co-working startup communities, shared tinker-spaces or other models to accomplish similar goals. Regardless of the specific model employed, Growth Accelerators focus on helping entrepreneurs and their startups speed the launch, growth and scale of their businesses. A broad set of models used to support start-ups will better serve the entire entrepreneurial ecosystem. Whether an accelerator is industry focused, technology focused, product centric, cohort based or more long term, all are valuable players in the nation's high-growth entrepreneurial ecosystem that ultimately creates jobs.

2. *Eligibility Rules for Participating in the Competition:* We expect that models participating in this competition will include most, if not all, of the following elements:

- Selective process to choose participating startups.
- Regular networking opportunities offered to startups.
- Introductions to customers, partners, suppliers, advisory boards and other players.
- High-growth and tech-driven startup mentorship and commercialization assistance.
- Shared working environments focused on building a strong startup community.
- Resource sharing and co-working arrangements for startups.
- Opportunities to pitch ideas and startups to investors along with other capital formation avenues to startups.
- Small amounts of angel money, seed capital or structured loans to startups.
- Service to underserved communities, such as women, veterans, and economically disadvantaged individuals.

Lastly, models must be organized, and maintain a primary place of business, in the United States and must not have an outstanding, unresolved financial obligation to the U.S. government or be currently suspended or debarred by the U.S. government.

3. *Registration Process for Participants:* Competition participants

will submit their application through an online form which will be available on [challenge.gov](http://challenge.gov). Winners will be required to create an account in System for Award Management (SAM) to receive the award.

4. *Amount of Prize:* Through our Growth Accelerator Fund competition, we will be giving away \$50,000 prizes to accelerators to fund their operations costs and allow them to scale up or bring new ideas to life.

5. *Payment of Prize:* Winners will be paid in a lump sum via Automated Clearing House (ACH).

6. *Basis Upon Which Winner Will Be Selected:* Winners will be selected based upon how well they address the criteria identified in Items 2 and 7 of this announcement.

7. *Additional Information:* In addition to the basic details to be collected in the short application, please complete a deck, like one you would use in a pitch competition, which must address all of the items below.

**Mission & Vision**

1. What is your accelerator's mission in one sentence?
2. Why is your accelerator model unique?
3. What specific elements make your accelerator model innovative/new?
4. What experiences prepare your founding team for this award?

**Impact**

1. What gaps will your accelerator fill?
2. What are the specifics of your model and how it will accomplish the above?
3. For existing accelerators, what has been your success/metrics so far?

**Implementation**

1. What is your specific plan for utilizing the prize money if you win?
2. If you are an existing accelerator using the funds to scale up, provide details of current operations, phases for scale up and Web site; or
3. If you are creating a new accelerator, provide basics of business plan and phases for implementation.
4. Aside from the founding team members, what will you look for in any new staff?
5. What are the largest risk factors that could derail your plan?

**Metrics**

1. What are your fundraising goals?
2. Aside from metrics required by SBA, what are the 5 key metrics you will use to self-evaluate?
3. What does success look like?

*Award Approving Official:* Javier Saade, Associate Administrator, Office

of Investment and Innovation, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 Third Street SW., Washington, DC 20416.

**Authority:** Public Law 111-358 (2011).

Dated: April 29, 2014.

**Javier Saade,**

*Associate Administrator, Office of Investment and Innovation.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice: 8729]

**30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: DS 4053, Department of State Mentor Protégé Program Application**

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this Notice is to allow 30 days for public comment.

**DATES:** Submit comments directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) up to June 11, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct comments to the Department of State Desk Officer in the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). You may submit comments by the following methods:

- *Email:* [oira\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oira_submission@omb.eop.gov). You must include the DS form number, information collection title, and the OMB control number in the subject line of your message.
- *Fax:* 202-395-5806. Attention: Desk Officer for Department of State.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to Nikki Burley, A/SDBU, SA-6 Room L-500, Washington, DC 20522-0602, who may be reached on or at [burleynb@state.gov](mailto:burleynb@state.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

- *Title of Information Collection:* 30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: DS 4053, Department of

State Mentor-Protégé Program Application.

- *OMB Control Number:* OMB 1405–0161.
- *Type of Request:* Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.
- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Administration, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization-A/SDBU.
- *Form Number:* DS–4053.
- *Respondents:* Small and large businesses planning to team together in an official mentor-protégé capacity to enhance the capabilities of the protégé firms to perform as prime contractors and subcontractors on Department of State procurements.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 20.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 20.
- *Average Time per Response:* 12 hours.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 240 hours.
- *Frequency:* On Occasion.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Voluntary.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this 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 the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

*Abstract of proposed collection:* This information collection facilitates the Mentor-Protégé Program per Department of State Acquisition Regulations (DOSAR) 48 CFR 619.202–70, which encourages business agreements between small and large for-profit companies, for the purpose of forming a mentor-protégé relationship that will provide developmental assistance and to enhance the capabilities of the protégé firms to perform as prime contractors and subcontractors on Department of State procurements. The burden hour estimate includes an initial application (8 hours) and an annual

report (4 hours), both to be filled out by Mentors.

*Methodology:* Respondents may submit the information by email using the DS–4053, or by letter using fax or postal mail.

Dated: May 6, 2014.

**Shapleigh C. Drisko,**

*Office of Small Disadvantage Business Utilization Director, A–SDBU, Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 8727]

### In the Matter of the Review of the Designation of al-Qa’ida in the Islamic Maghreb (and Other Aliases) as a Foreign Terrorist Organization Pursuant to Section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as Amended

Based upon a review of the Administrative Record assembled pursuant to Section 219(a)(4)(C) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended (8 U.S.C. 1189(a)(4)(C)) (“INA”), and in consultation with the Attorney General and the Secretary of the Treasury, I conclude that the circumstances that were the basis for the 2009 decision to maintain the designation of the aforementioned organization as a Foreign Terrorist Organization have not changed in such a manner as to warrant revocation of the designation and that the national security of the United States does not warrant a revocation of the designation.

Therefore, I hereby determine that the designation of the aforementioned organization as a Foreign Terrorist Organization, pursuant to Section 219 of the INA (8 U.S.C. 1189), shall be maintained.

This determination shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: May 1, 2014.

**John F. Kerry,**

*Secretary of State, Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: FAA Safety Briefing Readership Survey

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. The survey will help the editors learn more about the target audience and how they elect to improve their safety skills/practices, and what they need to know to improve their safety skills/practices. With this information, the editors can craft FAA Safety Briefing content targeted to its audience to help accomplish the FAA and Department of Transportation’s mission of improving safety.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted by July 11, 2014.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kathy DePaape at (405) 954–9362, or by email at: [Kathy.DePaape@faa.gov](mailto:Kathy.DePaape@faa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*OMB Control Number:* 2120–0747

*Title:* FAA Safety Briefing Readership Survey

*Form Numbers:* There are no FAA forms associated with this collection.

*Type of Review:* Renewal of an information collection.

*Background:* The bimonthly print and online publication FAA Safety Briefing is designed to improve general aviation safety by: (a) Making the community aware of FAA resources, (b) helping readers understand safety and regulatory issues, and (c) encouraging continued training. It is targeted to members of the non-commercial general aviation community, primarily pilots and mechanics. This survey is intended to help the editors of FAA Safety Briefing better understand the target audience.

*Respondents:* Approximately 7,000 pilots, flight instructors, mechanics, and repairmen.

*Frequency:* One time per respondent.

*Estimated Average Burden per*

*Response:* Approximately 10 minutes per survey.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* An estimated 1,017 hours.