

made regarding a claimant's eligibility for benefits. By signing the CM-936 form, the claimant authorizes physicians, hospitals, medical facilities or organizations, and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health to release medical information about the miner to the Department of Labor's Office of Workers' Compensation Programs. The form contains information required by medical institutions and private physicians to enable them to release pertinent medical information. This information collection is currently approved for use through November 30, 2018.

**II. Review Focus:** The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- \* 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 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 submissions of responses.

**III. Current Actions:** The Department of Labor seeks approval for the extension of this currently-approved information collection in order to obtain claimant consent for the release of medical information for consideration by the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs in their claim for benefits. Failure to gather this information would inhibit the adjudication of black lung claims because pertinent medical data would not be available for consideration during the processing of the claim.

**Agency:** Office of Workers' Compensation Programs.

**Type of Review:** Extension.

**Title:** Authorization for Release of Medical Information.

**OMB Number:** 1240-0034.

**Agency Number:** CM-936.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or households.

**Total Respondents:** 7,000.

**Total Annual Responses:** 7,000.

**Average Time per Response:** 5 minutes.

**Estimated Total Burden Hours:** 583 hours.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

**Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):** \$0.

**Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance):** \$7,420.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 27, 2018.

**Yoon Ferguson,**

*Agency Clearance Officer, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, U.S. Department of Labor.*

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## MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION

[MCC FR 18-11]

### Report on Countries That Are Candidates for Millennium Challenge Account Eligibility in Fiscal Year 2019 and Countries That Would Be Candidates but for Legal Prohibitions

**AGENCY:** Millennium Challenge Corporation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Section 608(a) of the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003 requires the Millennium Challenge Corporation to publish a report that identifies countries that are "candidate countries" for Millennium Challenge Account assistance during FY 2019. The report is set forth in full below.

Dated: August 30, 2018.

**Jeanne M. Hauch,**

*VP/General Counsel and Corporate Secretary.*

### Report on Countries That Are Candidates for Millennium Challenge Compact Eligibility for Fiscal Year 2019 and Countries that would be Candidates but for Legal Prohibitions

#### Summary

This report to Congress is provided in accordance with section 608(a) of the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003, as amended, 22 U.S.C. 7701, 7707(a) (the Act).

The Act authorizes the provision of assistance for global development through the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) for countries that enter into a Millennium Challenge Compact with the United States to support policies and programs that advance the progress of such countries

to achieve lasting economic growth and poverty reduction. The Act requires MCC to take a number of steps in selecting countries with which MCC will seek to enter into a compact, including determining the countries that will be eligible countries for fiscal year (FY) 2019 based on (a) a country's demonstrated commitment to (i) just and democratic governance, (ii) economic freedom, and (iii) investments in its people; and (b) the opportunity to reduce poverty and generate economic growth in the country, and (c) the availability of funds to MCC. These steps include the submission to the congressional committees specified in the Act and publication in the **Federal Register** of reports on the following:

- The countries that are "candidate countries" for FY 2019 based on their per capita income levels and their eligibility to receive assistance under U.S. law and countries that would be candidate countries but for specified legal prohibitions on assistance (section 608(a) of the Act);

- The criteria and methodology that the MCC Board of Directors (Board) will use to measure and evaluate the relative policy performance of the "candidate countries" consistent with the requirements of subsections (a) and (b) of section 607 of the Act in order to determine "eligible countries" from among the "candidate countries" (section 608(b) of the Act); and

- The list of countries determined by the Board to be "eligible countries" for FY 2019, identification of such countries with which the Board will seek to enter into compacts, and a justification for such eligibility determination and selection for compact negotiation (section 608(d) of the Act).

This report is the first of three required reports listed above.

#### Candidate Countries for FY 2019

The Act requires the identification of all countries that are candidate countries for FY 2019 and the identification of all countries that would be candidate countries but for specified legal prohibitions on assistance. Under sections 606(a) and (b) of the Act, candidate countries must qualify as low income or lower middle income countries as defined in the Act.

Specifically, a country will be a candidate country in the low income category for FY 2019 if it:

- Has a per capita income that is not greater than the World Bank's lower middle income country threshold for such fiscal year (\$3,895 gross national income per capita for FY 2019);

○ Is among the 75 countries identified by the World Bank as having the lowest per capita income; and

○ Is not ineligible to receive United States economic assistance under part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended (the Foreign Assistance Act), by reason of the application of the Foreign Assistance Act or any other provision of law.

A country will be a candidate country in the lower middle income category for FY 2019 if it:

○ Has a per capita income that is not greater than the World Bank's lower middle income country threshold for such fiscal year (\$3,895 gross national income per capita for FY 2019);

○ Is not among the 75 countries identified by the World Bank as having the lowest per capita income; and

○ Is not ineligible to receive United States economic assistance under part I of the Foreign Assistance Act by reason of the application of the Foreign Assistance Act or any other provision of law.

Under section 606(c) of the Act as applied for FY 2019, a country with per capita income changes from FY 2018 to FY 2019 such that the country would be reclassified from the low income category to the lower middle income category or vice versa will retain its income status in its former category for FY 2019 and two subsequent fiscal years (FY 2020 and FY 2021). A country that has transitioned to the upper middle income category does not qualify as a candidate country.

Pursuant to section 606(d) of the Act, the Board identified the following countries as candidate countries under the Act for FY 2019. In so doing, the Board referred to the prohibitions on assistance to countries for FY 2018 under the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2018.

*Candidate Countries: Low Income Category*

Afghanistan  
Angola  
Bangladesh  
Benin  
Bhutan  
Burkina Faso  
Burundi  
Cabo Verde  
Cameroon  
Central African Republic  
Chad  
Comoros  
Congo, Democratic Republic of the  
Congo, Republic of the  
Côte d'Ivoire  
Djibouti  
Egypt

Eswatini (formerly Swaziland)  
Ethiopia  
Gambia, The  
Ghana  
Guinea  
Guinea-Bissau  
Haiti  
Honduras  
India  
Indonesia  
Kenya  
Kiribati  
Kyrgyzstan  
Laos  
Lesotho  
Liberia  
Madagascar  
Malawi  
Mali  
Mauritania  
Micronesia, Federated States of  
Moldova  
Morocco  
Mozambique  
Nepal  
Niger  
Nigeria  
Pakistan  
Papua New Guinea  
Philippines  
Rwanda  
São Tomé and Príncipe  
Senegal  
Sierra Leone  
Solomon Islands  
Somalia  
Sri Lanka  
Tajikistan  
Tanzania  
Timor-Leste  
Togo  
Uganda  
Ukraine  
Uzbekistan  
Vanuatu  
Vietnam  
Yemen  
Zambia

*Candidate Countries: Lower Middle Income Category*

El Salvador  
Georgia  
Kosovo  
Mongolia  
Tunisia

*Countries That Would Be Candidate Countries but for Legal Provisions That Prohibit Assistance*

Countries that would be considered candidate countries for FY 2019 but are ineligible to receive United States economic assistance under part I of the Foreign Assistance Act by reason of the application of any provision of the Foreign Assistance Act or any other provision of law are listed below. This list is based on legal prohibitions

against economic assistance that apply as of July 26, 2018.

*Prohibited Countries: Low Income Category*

Bolivia is ineligible to receive foreign assistance pursuant to section 706(3) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2003 (P.L. 107-228), regarding adherence to obligations under international counternarcotics agreements and other counternarcotics measures.

Burma is ineligible to receive U.S. economic assistance, absent special authority, because of concerns relative to its record on human rights.

Cambodia is ineligible to receive foreign assistance pursuant to section 7043(b)(1) of the FY 2018 Appropriations Act, which restricts assistance to the Government of Cambodia unless the Secretary of State certifies that the Government of Cambodia is taking effective steps to strengthen regional security and stability and respect the rights and responsibilities enshrined in the Constitution of the Kingdom of Cambodia.

Eritrea is ineligible to receive foreign assistance, including due to its status as a Tier III country under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7101 *et seq.*).

The central Government of Nicaragua is ineligible to receive foreign assistance pursuant to section 7070(c) of the FY 2018 Appropriations Act, which prohibits assistance for the central government of a country that the Secretary of State determines has recognized the independence of, or has established diplomatic relations with, the Russian occupied Georgian territories of Abkhazia and Tskhinvali Region/South Ossetia.

North Korea is ineligible to receive foreign assistance, including pursuant to section 7007 of the FY 2018 Appropriations Act, which prohibits direct assistance to the government of North Korea.

South Sudan is ineligible to receive foreign assistance, including pursuant to section 7042(h)(2) of the FY 2018 Appropriations Act, which prohibits, with limited exceptions, assistance to the central government of South Sudan until the Secretary of State certifies and reports to Congress that such government is taking effective steps to end hostilities and pursue good faith negotiations for a political settlement of the conflict; provide access for humanitarian organizations; end the recruitment and use of child soldiers; protect freedoms of expression, association, and assembly; reduce

corruption related to the extraction and sale of oil and gas; establish democratic institutions; establish accountable military and police forces under civilian authority; and investigate and prosecute individuals credibly alleged to have committed gross violations of human rights, including at the Terrain compound in Juba, South Sudan on July 11, 2016.

Sudan is ineligible to receive foreign assistance, including pursuant to section 7042(i) of the FY 2018 Appropriations Act, which prohibits (with limited exceptions) assistance to the government of Sudan.

Syria is ineligible to receive foreign assistance, including pursuant to section 7007 of the FY 2018 Appropriations Act, which prohibits direct assistance to the government of Syria.

Zimbabwe is ineligible to receive foreign assistance, including pursuant to section 7042(j)(2) of the FY 2018 Appropriations Act, which prohibits (with limited exceptions) assistance for the central government of Zimbabwe unless the Secretary of State certifies and reports to Congress that the rule of law has been restored, including respect for ownership and title to property, and freedoms of expression, association, and assembly.

Countries identified above as candidate countries, as well as countries that would be considered candidate countries but for the applicability of legal provisions that prohibit U.S. economic assistance, may be the subject of future statutory restrictions or determinations, or changed country circumstances, that affect their legal eligibility for assistance under part I of the Foreign Assistance Act by reason of application of the Foreign Assistance Act or any other provision of law for FY 2019.

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## NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; NCUA Call Report and Profile

**AGENCY:** National Credit Union Administration (NCUA).

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

**SUMMARY:** The National Credit Union Administration (NCUA), as part of a continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal

agencies to comment on the following revision of a currently approved collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before November 5, 2018 to be assured consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the information collection to Dawn Wolfgang, National Credit Union Administration, 1775 Duke Street, Suite 5080, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; Fax No. 703–519–8579; or Email at [PRAComments@NCUA.gov](mailto:PRAComments@NCUA.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Address requests for additional information to the address above or telephone 703–548–2279.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*OMB Number:* 3133–0004.

*Title:* NCUA Call Report and Profile.

*Forms:* NCUA Form 5300 and 4501A.

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* Sections 106 and 202 of the Federal Credit Union Act require federally insured credit unions to make financial reports to the NCUA. Section 741.6 prescribes the method in which federally insured credit unions must submit this information to NCUA. NCUA Form 5300, Call Report, is used to file quarterly financial and statistical data and NCUA Form 4501A, Credit Union Profile, is used to obtain non-financial data relevant to regulation and supervision such as the names of senior management and volunteer officials, and are reported through NCUA's online portal, Credit Unions Online.

The financial and statistical information is essential to NCUA in carrying out its responsibility for supervising federal credit unions. The information also enables NCUA to monitor all federally insured credit unions with National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund (NCUSIF) insured share accounts.

*Affected Public:* Private Sector: Not-for-profit institutions.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 5,530.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 4.

*Estimated Total Annual Responses:* 22,120.

*Estimated Burden Hours per Response:* 6.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 132,720.

*Reason for Change:* Revisions are attributed to the issuance of accounting standards codifications (ASC) by the Financial Accounting Standards Board, revised data selections to the current products and services offered by credit

unions, and the removal of other elements deemed no longer necessary to maintain proper credit union supervision; including several pages of Schedule D, Derivative Transactions Report.

These revisions will not alter the estimated burden hours necessary to review the instructions and complete the filing as the burden associated with Schedule D affects less than one percent of the credit unions and did not impact the industry average burden hours. The amount of data elements removed compared to those added negates the difference in burden.

The burden hours reflect an adjustment to the number of respondents due to the decline in the number of federally insured credit unions, which has averaged approximately one percent per quarter. Specifically, the number of federally insured credit unions completing the Call Report and Profile dropped from 5,954 to 5,530 (March 2018). The reduction of 10,176 burden hours reflects this adjustment.

*Request for Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. The public is invited to submit comments concerning: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper execution of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of the information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

By Gerard Poliquin, Secretary of the Board, the National Credit Union Administration, on August 30, 2018.

Dated: August 30, 2018.

**Dawn D. Wolfgang,**

*NCUA PRA Clearance Officer.*

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