

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>19</sup>

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Assistant Secretary.

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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

**[Disaster Declaration #16145 and #16146; SOUTH CAROLINA Disaster Number SC-00060]**

### Presidential Declaration Amendment of a Major Disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of South Carolina

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Amendment 1.

**SUMMARY:** This is an amendment of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of South Carolina (FEMA-4464-DR), dated 09/30/2019.

*Incident:* Hurricane Dorian.

*Incident Period:* 08/31/2019 through 09/06/2019.

**DATES:** Issued on 11/05/2019.

*Physical Loan Application Deadline Date:* 11/29/2019.

*Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date:* 06/30/2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW, Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416, (202) 205-6734.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice of the President's major disaster declaration for Private Non-Profit organizations in the State of South Carolina, dated 09/30/2019, is hereby amended to include the following areas as adversely affected by the disaster.

*Primary Counties:* Allendale.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 59008)

James Rivera,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**[Public Notice 10933]**

### 60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Evaluation of the Professional Fellows Program

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. 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 60 days for public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

**DATES:** The Department will accept comments from the public up to January 13, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by the following methods:

- *Web:* persons with access to the internet may comment on this notice by going to [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov). You can search for the document by entering "Docket Number: DOS-2019-0038" in the Search field. Then click the "Comment Now" button and complete the comment form.

You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and the OMB control number in any correspondence.

**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 Natalie Donahue, Chief of Evaluation, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, who may be reached on (202) 632- 6193 or at [DonahueNR@state.gov](mailto:DonahueNR@state.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

- *Title of Information Collection:* Evaluation of the Professional Fellows Program (PFP).
- *OMB Control Number:* None.
- *Type of Request:* New Collection.
- *Originating Office:* Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA/P/V).
- *Form Number:* No form.
- *Respondents:* Contacts at

institutions and organizations that hosted and interacted with foreign Fellows; families that hosted PFP fellows in their homes.

- *Estimated Number of Professional Contact Survey Respondents:* 1,526.
- *Estimated Number of Professional Contact Survey Responses:* 300.
- *Average Time per Professional Contact Survey Response:* 20 minutes.

- *Total Estimated Burden Time for Professional Contact Survey:* 100 hours.
- *Estimated Number of Professional Contact Interviews:* 40.
- *Estimated Number of Number of Professional Contact Interview Responses:* 40.
- *Average Time per Professional Contact Interview:* 40 minutes.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time for Professional Contact Interviews:* 26.7 hours.
- *Estimated Number of Host Family Survey Respondents:* 855.
- *Estimated Number of Host Family Survey Responses:* 86.
- *Average Time per Host Family Survey Response:* 15 minutes.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time for Host Family Survey Response:* 21.5 hours.
- *Estimated Number of Homestay Host Interviews:* 40.
- *Estimated Number of Homestay Host Interview Responses:* 40.
- *Average Time per Homestay Host Interview:* 30 minutes.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time for Homestay Host Interviews:* 20 hours.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time (All Instruments for U.S Audiences):* 168 hours.

- *Frequency:* Once.
- *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

The PFP is a two-way, global exchange program for mid-level emerging leaders from select foreign countries. The PFP is managed by the Professional Fellows Division of the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Foreign fellows come to the United States for a five- to six-week

<sup>19</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

fellowship, including a minimum four-week tailored placement in a relevant professional organization (NGO's, business, government, etc.) and an end of program conference in Washington, DC. While in the United States, the foreign fellows volunteer in their local community, stay with local families, and create follow-on project plans to implement back in their home country. A select number of U.S. counterparts travel overseas on an outbound program that is approximately two weeks in length to directly support foreign fellows' follow-on projects. This program is funded pursuant to the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchanges Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2451–2464).

To fully evaluate the effectiveness and impacts of the program, the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) intends to collect data to include the perspectives of:

- The foreign fellows who participated in the PFP between 2013 and 2018;
- U.S. professionals who interacted with the foreign fellows during their exchange in the United States; and
- U.S. families who hosted the foreign fellows during their stay.

In order to do so, ECA contracted with GDIT to administer surveys and conduct face-to-face interviews with the stakeholders listed above.

### Methodology

Data will be collected with a focus on answering how the program is advancing DoS strategic policy priorities, how well the program is meeting its goals and how alumni have operationalized skills and knowledge learned during their exchange experience to promote mutual understanding, create positive change, and build collaborative networks.

The evaluation will employ a mixed-methods data collection strategy, including face-to-face interviews and online surveys. Online surveys will be administered to all foreign fellows, U.S. professionals and U.S. homestay hosts. To collect more in depth responses, face-to-face interviews will be conducted with a subset of foreign fellows, foreign colleagues, U.S. professional contacts and U.S. homestay hosts. The combination of methods will allow GDIT to generate a quantitative

profile of the program and at the same time, capture rich qualitative data.

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## OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

### Notice of Product Exclusions: China's Acts, Policies, and Practices Related to Technology Transfer, Intellectual Property, and Innovation

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice of product exclusions.

**SUMMARY:** In September of 2018, the U.S. Trade Representative imposed additional duties on goods of China with an annual trade value of approximately \$200 billion as part of the action in the Section 301 investigation of China's acts, policies, and practices related to technology transfer, intellectual property, and innovation. The U.S. Trade Representative initiated a product exclusion process in June 2019, and interested persons have submitted requests for the exclusion of specific products. This notice announces the U.S. Trade Representative's determination to grant certain exclusion requests, as specified in the Annex to this notice.

**DATES:** The product exclusions announced in this notice will apply as of the September 24, 2018, effective date of the \$200 billion action, to August 7, 2020.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For general questions about this notice, contact Assistant General Counsels Philip Butler or Megan Grimball, or Director of Industrial Goods Justin Hoffmann at (202) 395–5725. For specific questions on customs classification or implementation of the product exclusions identified in the annex to this notice, contact [traderemedy@cbp.dhs.gov](mailto:traderemedy@cbp.dhs.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### A. Background

For background on the proceedings in this investigation, please see the prior notices issued in the investigation, including 82 FR 40213 (August 23, 2017), 83 FR 14906 (April 6, 2018), 83 FR 28710 (June 20, 2018), 83 FR 33608 (July 17, 2018), 83 FR 38760 (August 7, 2018), 83 FR 47974 (September 21,

2018), 83 FR 49153 (September 28, 2018), 83 FR 65198 (December 19, 2018), 84 FR 7966 (March 5, 2019), 84 FR 20459 (May 9, 2019), 84 FR 29576 (June 24, 2019), 84 FR 38717 (August 7, 2019), 84 FR 46212 (September 3, 2019), 84 FR 49591 (September 20, 2019), and 84 FR 57803 (October 28, 2019).

Effective September 24, 2018, the U.S. Trade Representative imposed additional 10 percent duties on goods of China classified in 5,757 full and partial subheadings of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS), with an approximate annual trade value of \$200 billion. *See* 83 FR 47974, as modified by 83 FR 49153. In May 2019, the U.S. Trade Representative increased the additional duty to 25 percent. *See* 84 FR 20459. On June 24, 2019, the U.S. Trade Representative established a process by which U.S. stakeholders can request exclusion of particular products classified within an 8-digit HTSUS subheading covered by the \$200 billion action from the additional duties. *See* 84 FR 29576 (the June 24 notice).

Under the June 24 notice, requests for exclusion had to identify the product subject to the request in terms of the physical characteristics that distinguish the product from other products within the relevant 8-digit subheading covered by the \$200 billion action. Requestors also had to provide the 10-digit subheading of the HTSUS most applicable to the particular product requested for exclusion, and could submit information on the ability of U.S. Customs and Border Protection to administer the requested exclusion. Requestors were asked to provide the quantity and value of the Chinese-origin product that the requestor purchased in the last three years. With regard to the rationale for the requested exclusion, requestors had to address the following factors:

- Whether the particular product is available only from China and specifically whether the particular product and/or a comparable product is available from sources in the United States and/or third countries.
- Whether the imposition of additional duties on the particular product would cause severe economic harm to the requestor or other U.S. interests.
- Whether the particular product is strategically important or related to "Made in China 2025" or other Chinese industrial programs.

The June 24 notice stated that the U.S. Trade Representative would take into account whether an exclusion would undermine the objective of the Section 301 investigation.