

abandonment of the application; or (5) the filing of a Notice of Appeal. The final disposition of an application, however, may occur later than the 12-month time frame in certain situations (e.g., when the applicant filed a petition under 37 CFR 1.181). In any event, however, the 12-month time frame is a goal. Any failure to meet the 12-month goal, or other issues related to this goal that arise, are neither petitionable nor appealable matters.

Applicants may shorten the overall pendency of an application in the pilot program by replying to Office actions and notices earlier than required by the USPTO. For example, the USPTO will endeavor to reduce pendency, from approval of the request for prioritized examination to final disposition, to six months if all replies occur within 30 days of a notice by the USPTO. This goal depends on additional factors, including the demands placed on specific examiners by multiple co-pending applications under the pilot program. Current statistics for prioritized examination are available at <https://www.uspto.gov/corda/dashboards/patents/main.dashxml?CTNAVID=1007>.

Andrei Iancu,

Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

[Docket ID: USAF-2020-HQ-0006]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, DoD.

ACTION: Information collection notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Department of the Air Force announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: 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; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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 July 13, 2020.

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: DoD cannot receive written comments at this time due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Comments should be sent electronically to the docket listed above.

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 CMOS, 200 East Moore Dr., Maxwell AFB Gunter Annex, AL 36114-3004, ATTN: Daniel J. Mangum, (334) 416-4679.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: *Associated Form; and OMB Number:* Cargo Movement Operations System (CMOS); OMB Control Number 0701-CMOS.

Needs and Uses: CMOS is used by the DoD to plan, manage, and execute the movement of cargo and personnel. In addition to the deployment of active military personnel, the passenger manifest capability supports military retirees and military family members traveling on a "Space A CAT VI" basis. Those passengers are considered to be "general public." The data required for a passenger manifest includes PII, such as a Passport Number, and is deemed to be a "Collection." This "general public" data is collected when passengers are at the Air Terminal; no solicitation is involved.

Affected Public: Individuals and Household.

Annual Burden Hours: 18.
Number of Respondents: 180.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 180.
Average Burden per Response: 0.1 hour.

Frequency: Approximately 180 times per year.

This passenger data is collected only on an as-needed basis when the passengers request the Space A travel, and is collected only at the Air Terminal. CMOS does not seek out these respondents and does not in any way solicit their participation. There are no paper forms for information requests sent to the travelers for them to return.

The sole purpose of this data is to provide a complete manifest of the passengers onboard the military flight. It is not used for any other reporting or statistical purposes.

Dated: May 11, 2020.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

[Docket ID: USAF-2020-HQ-0005]

Proposed Collection, Comment Request

AGENCY: Headquarters Air Force Personnel Center/Airman and Family Sustainment Branch, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Information collection notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Airman and Family Sustainment Branch, Headquarters Air Force Personnel Center, announces the proposed reinstatement of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: 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; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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 July 13, 2020.

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: DoD cannot receive written comments at this time due to the

COVID-19 pandemic. Comments should be sent electronically to the docket listed above.

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 Airman and Family Sustainment Branch (DPFFF), Headquarters Air Force Personnel Center, 550 C Street West, Joint Base, San Antonio, TX, 78150-4713, ATTN: Mrs. Denise Blount or call 210-565-2158.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Foreign Government Employment Application; OMB Number 0701-0134.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is to obtain the information needed by the Secretary of the Air Force and Secretary of State on which to base a decision to approve/disapprove a request to work for a foreign government. This approval is specified by Title 37, United States Code, and Section 908. This statute delegates such approval (authority of Congress to the respective service secretaries and to the Secretary of State.

Affected Public: Individuals and households.

Annual Burden Hours: 20.

Number of Respondents: 20.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 20.

Average Burden per Response: 1 hour.

Frequency: On occasion.

The collection instrument includes a foreign government employment memorandum, employment questionnaire, and an SF 312, a nondisclosure agreement. The information received from these documents include a detailed description of duty, name of employer, Social Security Number, and statements specifying whether or not the employee will be compensated; declaring if employee will be required or plans to obtain foreign citizenship; declaring that the member will not be required to execute an oath of allegiance to the foreign government; verifying that the

member understands that retired pay equivalent to the amount received from the foreign government may be withheld if he or she accepts employment with a foreign government before receiving approval. Reserve members only must include a request to be reassigned to Inactive Status List Reserve Section (Reserve Section Code RB).

Dated: May 11, 2020.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Charter Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Renewal of Federal Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce that it is renewing the charter for the U.S. Air Force Scientific Advisory Board (“the Board”).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Freeman, Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703-692-5952.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Board’s charter is being renewed in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix) and 41 CFR 102-3.50(d). The charter and contact information for the Board’s Designated Federal Officer (DFO) are found at <https://www.facadatabase.gov/FACA/apex/FACAPublicAgencyNavigation>.

The Board shall provide the Secretary of Defense and the Deputy Secretary of Defense, through the Secretary of the Air Force, with independent advice and recommendations on matters relating to the Department of the Air Force’s scientific, technical, manufacturing, acquisition, logistics, and business management functions, as well as other Department of the Air Force related matters as determined by the Secretary of the Air Force. The Board shall: (a) Conduct studies on topics deemed critical by the Secretary of the Air Force; (b) recommend applications of technology to improve U.S. Air Force capabilities; and (c) provide an independent review of the quality and relevance of the U.S. Air Force science and technology program. The Board shall be composed of no more than 20 members appointed in accordance with

DoD policy and procedures, who are eminent authorities in one or more of the following disciplines: science, technology, manufacturing, acquisition, logistics, and business management functions, as well as other matters of special interest to the Department of the Air Force.

Board members who are not full-time or permanent part-time Federal civilian officers, employees, or active duty members of the Armed Forces will be appointed as experts or consultants, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3109, to serve as special government employee members. Board members who are full-time or permanent part-time Federal civilian officers, employees, or active duty members of the Armed Forces will be appointed pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.130(a), to serve as regular government employee members.

All members of the Board are appointed to provide advice on the basis of their best judgment without representing any particular point of view and in a manner that is free from conflict of interest. Except for reimbursement of official Board-related travel and per diem, members serve without compensation.

The public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the Board membership about the Board’s mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of the Board. All written statements shall be submitted to the DFO for the Board, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration.

Dated: May 8, 2020.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2020-SCC-0067]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Submission of the Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad Program Application (CFDA 84.021A)

AGENCY: Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.