DATES: This U.S. stakeholder meeting will be held virtually on Tuesday, August 10, 2021, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time. Participants must register prior to the meeting at this link: https://statedept.webex.com/statedp/j.php?RIGID=r8f86337987086e15d019d0f0059bd91.

The Department welcomes verbal comments from U.S. stakeholders during this meeting, with a time limit of two minutes per speaker. Written comments will not be accepted. There may be additional U.S. stakeholder meetings on this topic in the future: If you would like to be notified of future U.S. stakeholder meetings on this topic, please send your name, email address, and affiliation (if any) no later than 30 days after date of this notice to Jeneva Craig at the address below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeneva Craig, Program Management Analyst, U.S. Department of State, 2201 C Street NW, Room 2726, Washington, DC 20520, (202) 531–3065, craigj@state.gov.

A participant requesting reasonable accommodation should notify Alea S. Ortiguerra, Conference Coordinator, U.S. Department of State, 2025 E Street NW, Washington, DC 20006, (202) 316–4874, OrtiguerraA5@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA) has been considering how to combat ocean plastic pollution since its first meeting in 2014. UNEA is expected to discuss the possible launch of negotiations to develop a new global instrument to address this topic at the second meeting of the fifth session of UNEA (UNEA 5.2), tentatively scheduled for February 28 to March 2, 2022.

The U.S. Government is considering policy and legal issues related to this process, and the Department is seeking U.S. stakeholder input to inform our deliberations, particularly on the following questions:

• Should the United States support the development of a global instrument on ocean plastic pollution?
• If so, what should be the scope and objective(s) of such an instrument? What problem(s) or issue(s) should such an instrument address?
• What should be the form of such an instrument? For example, should it be a legal instrument with legally binding and non-legally binding provisions or a voluntary instrument?

What other factors should be considered in negotiating such an instrument, such as the role of waste management, the role of any financial mechanism and/or technical assistance, flexibility for national circumstances, consideration of the full lifecycle of plastics, and economic and environmental impacts of alternatives to plastic?

What sorts of provisions would be important or essential to include in a global instrument focused on ocean plastic pollution? What sorts of provisions would be problematic if they were included in such a global instrument?

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60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Petition To Classify Special Immigrant Under INA 203(b)(4) as Employee or Former Employee of the U.S. Government Abroad

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 September 13, 2021.

You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

• Web: Persons with access to the internet may comment on this notice by going to www.Regulations.gov. You can search for the document by entering "Docket Number: DOS–2021–0015" in the Search field. Then click the "Comment Now" button and complete the comment form.