

DATES: The Department will accept comments from the public up to *February 20, 2026*.

ADDRESSES: 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-2025-0368” in the Search field. Then click the “Comment Now” button and complete the comment form.

- **Email:** fees@state.gov. You must include the DS form number (DS-7781), 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 Victoria Choe, who may be reached at 771-205-2240 or at fees@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- **Title of Information Collection:** Adoptive Family Relief Act Refund Application.
- **OMB Control Number:** 1405-0223.
- **Type of Request:** Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.
- **Originating Office:** CA/C.
- **Form Number:** DS-7781.
- **Respondents:** Immigrant Visa Petitioners.
- **Estimated Number of Respondents:** 5.
- **Estimated Number of Responses:** 5.
- **Average Time per Response:** 5 Minutes.
- **Total Estimated Burden Time:** 1.6 Hours.
- **Frequency:** On Occasion.
- **Obligation to Respond:** Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit.

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 Adoptive Family Relief Act (Pub. L. 114-70) amended Section 221(c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), 8 U.S.C. 1201(c), to allow for the waiver or refund certain immigrant visa fees for a lawfully adopted child, or a child coming to the United States to be adopted by a United States citizen, subject to criteria prescribed by the Secretary of State.

The waiver or refund provides support and relief to U.S. citizen families seeking to bring their adoptive children home to the United States but have not been able to due to country specific limitations. For example, if a country suspends the issuance of “exit permits” for children who were adopted, U.S. citizen families repeatedly pay visa renewal and related fees, while also continuing to be separated from their adopted children. The DS-7781 form collects information to determine the extra fees these families have paid and refunds them in accordance with the Adoptive Family Relief Act.

Methodology

The collection will be hosted on the Department of State website to be printed, filled out, and eventually sent to the consular section where the adoption case was originally processed.

Vlad Lipschutz,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Resources, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 12885]

Notice of Determinations; Culturally Significant Objects Being Imported for Exhibition—Determinations: “Collaborating in Conflict: The Yeats Family and the Public Arts” Exhibition

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: I hereby determine that certain objects being imported from abroad pursuant to an agreement with their foreign owner or custodian for temporary display in the exhibition “Collaborating in Conflict: The Yeats Family and the Public Arts” at the McMullen Museum of Art, Boston College, Boston, Massachusetts, and at possible additional exhibitions or venues yet to be determined, are of cultural significance, and, further, that their temporary exhibition or display within the United States as aforementioned is in the national interest. I have ordered that Public Notice of these determinations be published in the **Federal Register**.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Reed Liriano, Program Coordinator, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: 202-632-6471; email: section2459@state.gov). The mailing address is U.S. Department of State, L/PD, 2200 C Street NW (SA-5), Suite 5H03, Washington, DC 20522-0505.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The foregoing determinations were made pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (79 Stat. 985; 22 U.S.C. 2459), Executive Order 12047 of March 27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2681, *et seq.*; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, *et seq.*), Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999, Delegation of Authority No. 236-3 of August 28, 2000, and Delegation of Authority No. 523 of December 22, 2021.

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Deputy Assistant Secretary for Professional and Cultural Exchanges, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 12887]

Notice of Determinations; Culturally Significant Objects Being Imported for Exhibition—Determinations: “Lives and Literacy in Ancient Egypt” Exhibition

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: I hereby determine that certain objects being imported from abroad pursuant to an agreement with their foreign owner or custodian for temporary display in the exhibition “Lives and Literacy in Ancient Egypt” at the Harry Ransom Center, University of Texas at Austin, in Austin, Texas, and at possible additional exhibitions or venues yet to be determined, are of cultural significance, and, further, that their temporary exhibition or display within the United States as aforementioned is in the national interest. I have ordered that Public Notice of these determinations be published in the **Federal Register**.