whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) 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;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) 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 submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Petition for Alien Fiance(e).

(3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component sponsoring the collection: Form I–129F. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals or households. This form is used by a U.S. citizen to facilitate the entry of his or her fiancé(e) into the United States, so that a marriage may be concluded within 90 days of entry between the U.S. citizen and the beneficiary of the petition. This form also allows the spouse or child of a U.S. citizen to enter the United States as a nonimmigrant, in accordance with provisions of section 1103 of the Legal Immigration Family Equity Act of 2000.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: 20,000 responses at 30 minutes per response.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 10,000 annual burden hours.

If you have comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument, please contact Richard A. Sloan, Director, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20529; 202–272–8377.

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### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

## U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

**ACTION:** 60-day notice of information collection under review: Application for removal, Form I–243.

The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has submitted the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until March 7, 2005.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) 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;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) 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 submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved information collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Application for Removal.

(3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component sponsoring the collection: Form I–243. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals and households. The information provided on this form allows the USCIS to determine eligibility for an applicant's request for removal from the United States.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: 41 responses at 10 minutes (.166 hours) per response.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 7 annual burden hours.

If you have comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument, please contact Richard A. Sloan, Director, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20529.

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

# U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection; Comment Request

**ACTION:** 60-day notice of information collection under Review: Application for stay of deportation or removal, Form I–246.

The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has submitted the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until March 7, 2005.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the