

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

New Export Visa Stamp for Certain Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Mauritius

November 12, 1998.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs providing for the use of a new export visa stamp.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 1, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Naomi Freeman, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

Beginning on December 1, 1998, the Government of Mauritius will start issuing a new export visa stamp for shipments of textile products, produced or manufactured in Mauritius and exported from Mauritius on or after December 1, 1998 to reflect the name change of the "Ministry of Trade and Shipping" to the "Ministry of Industry and Commerce." There will be a one-month grace period from December 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998, during which products exported from Mauritius may be accompanied by either the old or new export visa stamp. Products exported from Mauritius on or after January 1, 1999 must be accompanied by the new export visa stamp.

A facsimile of the new visa stamp is on file at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., room 3104, Washington, DC.

See 60 FR 62076, published on December 4, 1995.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

November 12, 1998.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 28, 1995, as amended, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive directed you to prohibit entry of certain textile products, produced or manufactured in Mauritius for which the Government of the Mauritius has not issued an appropriate export visa.

Beginning on December 1, 1998, you are directed to amend further the directive dated November 28, 1995 to provide for the use of a new export visa stamp issued by the Government of Mauritius to accompany shipments of textile products, produced or manufactured in Mauritius and exported from Mauritius on or after December 1, 1998. This new visa stamp reflects the name change of the "Ministry of Trade and Shipping" to the "Ministry of Industry and Commerce."

Textile products exported from Mauritius during the period December 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998 may be accompanied by either the old or new export visa stamp. Products exported from Mauritius on or after January 1, 1999 must be accompanied by the new export visa stamp.

A facsimile of the new visa stamp is enclosed with this letter.

Shipments entered or withdrawn from warehouse according to this directive which are not accompanied by an appropriate export visa shall be denied entry and a new visa must be obtained.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests.

SUMMARY: The Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection

requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: An emergency review has been requested in accordance with the Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3507 (j)), since public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. Approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has been requested by November 12, 1998. Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 30, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding the emergency review should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer: Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget; 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address Werfel—d@a1.eop.gov. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address Pat—Sherrill@ed.gov, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Director of OMB provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision,

extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. ED invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner, (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: November 13, 1998.

Hazel Fiers,

*Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer,
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: New.

Title: Request for Comment on Planning and Implementation of the Learning Anytime Anywhere Partnerships Grant Competition.

Abstract: The Learning Anytime Anywhere Partnerships is a new grant competition. The information collected will be used by Dept. Of Education staff to help set priorities and plan implementation of the grant program. It is expected that comments will be received from college and university faculty and administrators, higher education associations, software developers and publishers, industry training groups and other interested organizations or individuals.

Additional Information: This emergency notice is needed to collect feedback in order to develop the grant application.

Frequency: On occasion.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: Responses: 50; Burden Hours: 100.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Submission for OMB review; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Financial and Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 18, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address *Werfel_d@a1.eop.gov*. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address *Pat_Sherrill@ed.gov*, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Financial and Chief Information Officer, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection,

grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J.

Dated: November 12, 1998.

Kent H. Hannaman,

*Leader, Information Management Group,
Office of the Chief Financial and Chief
Information Officer.*

**Office of Elementary and Secondary
Education**

Type of Review: Reinstatement.

Title: Alaskan Native Educational Equity Program.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't; SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: Responses: 200. Burden Hours: 3,200.

Abstract: The Alaskan Native Programs address the severe educational handicaps of Alaska Native school children. The Department uses the information to make grant awards. This collection involves a discretionary grant which falls under the Streamlined Discretionary Process, 1890-0001.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

**Notice of Program Interest;
Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban
Treaty Research and Development
Program**

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE), Office of Nonproliferation and National Security, Office of Research and Development (NN-20).

ACTION: Notice of Program Interest—to fund unsolicited applications/proposals for financial assistance awards contributing to the mission of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) Research and Development (R&D) Program.

SUMMARY: The DOE is interested in receiving for consideration applications for Federal Financial Assistance Awards pursuant to the financial assistance rules contained in Title 10 CFR part 600 (10 CFR part 600, specifically 10 CFR