

1. If approved, the action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the services to the Government.

2. If approved, the action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the services to the Government.

3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Comments on this certification are invited. Commenters should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification on which they are providing additional information.

(End of Certification)

The following services are proposed for addition to Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

Services

Service Type/Location: Grounds Maintenance;

VA Medical Center, Omaha, NE.

NPA: Goodwill Specialty Services, Inc., Omaha, NE.

Contracting Activity: VA Medical Center Nebraska-West Iowa Health Care System, Omaha, Nebraska.

Service Type/Location: Medical Transcription;

Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Loma Linda, CA.

NPA: National Telecommuting Institute, Inc., Boston, MA.

Contracting Activity: VA, Network Business Center (664/NBC/MP), San Diego, CA.

Service Type/Location: Medical Transcription;

Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Long Beach, CA.

NPA: National Telecommuting Institute, Inc., Boston, MA.

Contracting Activity: VA Network Business Center (664/NBC/MP), San Diego, CA.

Service Type/Location: Medical Transcription;

Veterans Affairs Medical Center, San Diego, CA.

NPA: National Telecommuting Institute, Inc., Boston, MA.

Contracting Activity: VA Network Business Center (664/NBC/MP), San Diego, CA.

Sheryl D. Kennerly,

Director, Information Management.

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BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE AND TIME: February 16, 2005 10:30 a.m.—12 p.m.

PLACE: Office of Cuba Broadcasting, 4201 NW 77th Ave., Miami, FL 33166.

Closed Meeting

The members of the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) will meet in closed session to review and discuss a number of issues relating to U.S. Government-funded non-military international broadcasting. They will address internal procedural, budgetary, and personnel issues, as well as sensitive foreign policy issues relating to potential options in the U.S. international broadcasting field. This meeting is closed because if open it likely would either disclose matters that would be properly classified to be kept secret in the interest of foreign policy under the appropriate executive order (5 U.S.C. 552b. (c)(1) or would disclose information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. (5 U.S.C. 552b. (c)(9)(B)) In addition, part of the discussion will relate solely to the internal personnel and organizational issues of the BBG or the International Broadcasting Bureau. (5 U.S.C. 552b. (c)(2) and (6))

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Persons interested in obtaining more information should contact either Brenda Hardnett or Carol Booker at (202) 203-4545.

Dated: February 8, 2005.

Carol Booker,

Legal Counsel.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Sunshine Act Notice

DATE AND TIME: Friday, February 18, 2005, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 649 9th Street, NW., Room 540, Washington, DC 20425.

STATUS:

Agenda

- I. Approval of Agenda
- II. Approval of Minutes of January 7, 2005 Meeting
- III. Announcements
- IV. Staff Director's Report
- V. Program Planning
 - Consideration of proposals for

project to be undertaken by the Commission during FY 2005, 2006 and 2007

VI. Future Agenda Items

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kenneth L. Marcus, Press and Communications (202) 376-7700.

Debra A. Carr,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Economic Analysis

Institutional Remittances to Foreign Countries

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before April 12, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dhynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Mann, Chief, Current Account Services Branch, Balance of Payments Division (BE-58), Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230; phone: (202) 606-9573; fax: (202) 606-5314; or via the Internet at michael.mann@bea.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) is responsible for the compilation of the U.S. international transactions accounts (ITA's), which it publishes quarterly in news releases, on its Web site, and in its monthly journal, the *Survey of Current Business*. These accounts provide a statistical summary of all U.S. international transactions and, as such, are one of the major statistical products of BEA. They are used extensively by both government and private organizations for national

and international economic policy formulation and for analytical purposes. The information collected in this survey is used to develop the "private remittances" portion of the ITA's. Without this information, an integral component of the ITA's would be omitted. No other Government agency collects comprehensive data on private unilateral transfers of funds to foreign countries.

The survey requests information from U.S. religious, charitable, educational, scientific, and similar organizations on transfers to foreign residents and their expenditures in foreign countries. The information is collected on a quarterly basis from organizations remitting \$1 million or more each year and annually for organizations remitting at least \$25,000 but less than \$1 million each year. Organizations with remittances of less than \$25,000 each year are exempt from reporting. The survey is voluntary.

BEA is proposing a minor revision to Form BE-40 to change "Other International Nations" on the "area/country" list to "Other International Organizations."

II. Method of Collection

Survey forms are mailed to potential respondents in January of each year; respondents expected to file on a quarterly basis are sent multiple copies. Quarterly reports are due 30 days after the close of each calendar or fiscal quarter and annual reports are due 90 days after the close of the calendar or fiscal year. Potential respondents are U.S. religious, charitable, educational, scientific, and similar organizations that voluntarily agree to provide data regarding transfers of cash grants to foreign countries and their expenditures in foreign countries.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0608-0002.

Form Number: BE-40.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 790.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1.5 hours annually for respondents filing annually, 6.0 hours annually for respondents filing quarterly.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,100 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$84,000 based on an estimated reporting burden of 2,100 hours and an estimated hourly cost of \$40.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Bretton Woods Agreement Act, Section 8, and E.O. 10033, as amended.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: February 8, 2005.

Madeleine Clayton,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Economic Analysis

Generic Clearance for Pretesting Research

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before April 12, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dhynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Obie G. Whichard, Chief, International Investment Division (BE-50), Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230; phone (202) 606-9890 (or via the Internet at obie.whichard@bea.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) is requesting OMB approval to conduct a variety of small-scale questionnaire pretesting activities under this generic clearance. A block of hours will be dedicated to these activities for each of the next three years. OMB will be informed in writing of the purpose and scope of each of these activities, as well as the time frame and the number of burden hours used. The number of hours used will not exceed the number set aside for this purpose.

This research program will be used by BEA to improve questionnaires and procedures, reduce respondent burden, improve sample frames, and ultimately increase the quality of data collected in the bureau's surveys. The clearance will be used to conduct pretesting of surveys conducted by BEA prior to mailing the final survey packages to potential respondents. Pretesting activities will involve methods for identifying problems with the questionnaire or survey procedure such as the following: cognitive interviews, focus groups, respondent debriefing, behavior coding of respondent/ interviewer interaction, split panel tests, voluntary sample surveys (including automated surveys).

II. Method of Collection

Any of the following methods may be used: Mail, telephone, face-to-face, paper-and-pencil, or Internet.

III. Data

OMB Number: Will be assigned by OMB.

Form Number: Various.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations, Not-for-profit institutions, and State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,000 annually.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: One hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 5,000.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: There is no cost to respondents, except for their time to complete the questionnaire, or take part in interviews.

Respondent Obligation: Voluntary.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c)