

**Request for Comments**

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Approved: September 6, 2005.

**Glenn Kirkland,**

*IRS Reports Clearance Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY****Internal Revenue Service**

[REG-209040-88]

**Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Regulation Project**

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity 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)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning an existing notice of proposed rulemaking, REG-209040-88, Qualified Electing Fund Elections (§ 1.1295).

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before November 14, 2005 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Glenn P. Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or

copies of this regulation should be directed to R. Joseph Durbala, (202) 622-3634, Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the Internet at *RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Qualified Electing Fund Elections.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1514.

*Regulation Project Number:* REG-209040-88.

*Abstract:* This regulation permits certain shareholders to make a special election under Internal Revenue Code section 1295 with respect to certain preferred shares of a passive foreign investment company. This special election operates in lieu of the regular section 1295 election and requires less annual reporting. Electing preferred shareholders must account for dividend income under the special rules of the regulation, rather than under the general income inclusion rules of section 1293.

*Current Actions:* There is no change to this existing regulation.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations, not-for-profit organizations, and individuals.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,030.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* Varies.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 600.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

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information to be collected; (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; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: September 2, 2005.

**Glenn P. Kirkland,**

*IRS Reports Clearance Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY****Internal Revenue Service****Proposed Collection; Comment Request for REG-110311-98 (Final)**

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity 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)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning REG-110311-98 (Final), Corporate Tax Shelter Registration.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before November 14, 2005 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Glenn P. Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to R. Joseph Durbala, (202) 622-3634, at Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the Internet at *RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Corporate Tax Shelter Registration.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1687.

*Form Number:* REG-110311-98 (Final).

*Abstract:* The regulations finalize the rules relating to the filing of certain

taxpayers of a disclosure statement with their Federal tax returns under IRC § 6111(a), the rules relating to the registration of confidential corporate tax shelters under section 6011(d), and the rules relating to the list maintenance requirements under section 6112.

*Current Actions:* There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB. This form is being submitted for renewal purposes only.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Individuals and Households, Businesses and other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 4.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 1 hour.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

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#### Request for Comments

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Approved: September 5, 2005.

**Glenn P. Kirkland,**

*IRS Reports Clearance Officer.*

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## UNITED STATES INSTITUTE OF PEACE

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**DATE/TIME:** Thursday, September 22, 2005, 9:15 a.m.–3.45 p.m.

**LOCATION:** 1200 17th Street, NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20036–3011.

**STATUS:** Open Session—Portions may be closed pursuant to Subsection (c) of Section 552(b) of Title 5, United States Code, as provided in subsection 1706(h)(3) of the United States Institute of Peace Act, Public Law 98–525.

**AGENDA:** September 2005 Board Meeting; Approval of Minutes of the One Hundred Nineteenth Meeting (June 15–17, 2005) of the Board of Directors; Chairman's Report; President's Report; Committee Reports; Fiscal Years 2006 and 2007 Budget Review; Organizational Structure Review; Approval of 2005 Unsolicited and Solicited Grant; Other General Issues.

**CONTACT:** Tessie Higgs, Executive Office, Telephone: (202) 429–3836.

Dated: September 7, 2005.

**Patricia P. Thomson,**

*Executive Vice President, United States Institute of Peace.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–New (Fiduciary)]

### Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed new collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments for information needed to determine a claimant qualification as a fiduciary.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be

received on or before November 14, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M35), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail [irmnkess@vba.va.gov](mailto:irmnkess@vba.va.gov). Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–New (Fiduciary)” in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 273–7079 or FAX (202) 275–5947.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13; 44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

*Title:* Fiduciary Statement in Support of Appointment, VA form 21–0792.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900–New (Fiduciary).

*Type of Review:* New collection.

*Abstract:* Individual's seeking appointment as a fiduciary of VA beneficiaries complete VA Form 21–0792. VA uses the data collected on VA Form 21–0792 to determine the individual's qualification.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 1,875 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 15 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* One time.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 7,500.

Dated: August 31, 2005.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Denise McLamb,**

*Program Analyst Records Management Service.*

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