

burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by April 26, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the Defense Finance and Accounting Service—Kansas City, Financial Services Division (DFAS—AAD/KC), ATTN: Ms. LaTenna Weiss, 1500 East 95th Street, Kansas City, MO 64197–0030.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address, or call, Ms. LaTenna Weiss, 816–926–2745.

*Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number:* Statement of Claimant Requesting Recertified Check, DD Form 2660; OMB Number 0730–0002.

*Needs and Uses:* In accordance with TFM Volume 1, Part 4, Section 7060.20 and DoD 7000.14–R, Volume 5, there is a requirement that a payee identify himself/herself and certify as to what happened to the original check issued by the government (non-receipt, loss, destruction, theft, etc.). This collection will be used to identify rightful reissuance of government checks to individuals or businesses outside the Department of Defense.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or businesses or other for-profit.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 9,042 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 108,500.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden Per Response:* 5 minutes.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Summary of Information Collection**

The Statement of Claimant Requesting Recertified Check is used to ascertain pertinent information needed by the Department of Defense in order to reissue checks to payees, if the checks have not been negotiated to financial institutions within one (1) year of the date of issuance, when an original check has been lost, not received, damaged, stolen, etc. The form will be completed by the payee who was issued the original check. The information provided on this form will be used in determining whether a check may be reissued to the named payee.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### **Office of the Secretary**

#### **Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Defense Finance and Accounting Service.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service announces the proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. 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 shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by April 26, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the Defense Finance and Accounting Service, ATTN: Lynne Anderson, 1931 Jefferson Davis Highway, CM#3—Second Floor (Room 228), Arlington, VA 22240–5291.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address, or call Lynne Anderson at (703) 607–3700 or Connie Martin at (317) 510–2298.

*Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number:* Customer Satisfaction Surveys—Generic Clearance; OMB Number 0730–0003.

*Needs and Uses:* The information collection requirement is necessary to determine the kind and quality of services DFAS customers want and expect, as well as their satisfaction with DFAS's existing services.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households, Business or other for profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Federal government, and State, Local or Tribal Governments.

*Annual Burden Hours:* Estimated 2,000.

*Number of Respondents:* Estimated 15,000.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden Per Response:* 8 minutes.

*Frequency:* Annually.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Summary of Information Collection**

DFAS will conduct a variety of activities to include, but not necessarily limited to customer satisfaction surveys, transaction based telephone interviews, Interactive Voice Response Systems (IVRS) telephonic surveys, etc. If the customer feedback activities were not conducted, DFAS would not only be in violation of E.O. 12862, but would also not have the knowledge necessary to provide the best service possible and provide unfiltered feedback from the customer for our process improvement activities. The information collected provides information about customer perceptions and can help identify agency operations that need quality improvement, provide early detection of process or systems problems, and focus attention on areas where customer service and functional training or changes in existing operations will improve service delivery.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### **Office of the Secretary**

#### **Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Defense Finance and Accounting Service, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service announces the proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. 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 shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by April 26, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the Defense Finance and Accounting Service—Denver, DFAS-DE/POSA, ATTN: Mr. Dan Wagle, 6760 East Irvington Place, Denver CO 80279-3000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address, or call Mr. Dan Wagle, 303-676-3372.

*Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number:* Request for Information Regarding Deceased Debtor, DD Form 2840, OMB Number 0730-0015.

*Needs and Uses:* This form is used to obtain information on deceased debtors from probate courts. Probate courts review their records to see if an estate was established. They provide the name and address of the executor or lawyer handling the estate. From the information obtained, we submit a claim against the estate for the amount due the United States.

*Affected Public:* Clerks of Probate Courts.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 250 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 3,000.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden Per Response:* 5 minutes.

*Frequency:* When we are notified a debtor is deceased.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **Summary of Information Collection**

Defense Finance and Accounting Service maintains updated debt accounts and initiates debt collection action for separated military members, out-of-service civilian employees, and other individuals not on an active federal government payroll system. When notice is received that an individual debtor is deceased, an effort is made to ascertain whether the decedent left an estate by contacting clerks of probate courts. If it's determined that an estate was established, attempts are made to collect the debt from the estate. If no estate

appears to have been established the debt is written off as uncollectible.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### **Office of the Secretary**

#### **Notice of Closed Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Defense Intelligence Agency, Joint Military Intelligence College, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of closed meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of subsection (d) of Section 10 of Public Law 92-463, as amended by section 5 of Public Law 94-409, notice is hereby given that a closed meeting of the DIA Joint Military College Board of Visitors was held as follows:

**DATES:** Tuesday, 6 January 2004, 0800 to 1700; and Wednesday, 7 January 2004, 0800 to 1200.

**ADDRESSES:** Joint Military College, Washington, DC 20340-5100.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. A. Denis Clift, President, DIA Joint Military College, Washington, DC 20340-5100, (202) 231-3344.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The entire meeting was devoted to the discussion of classified information as defined in section 552b(c)(1), Title 5 of the U.S. Code and therefore was closed. The Board discussed several current critical intelligence issues and advised the Director, DIA, as to the successful accomplishment of the mission assigned to the Joint Military College.

Dated: February 18, 2004.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### **Defense Logistics Agency**

#### **Privacy Act of 1974; Systems of Records**

**AGENCY:** Defense Logistics Agency, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of amend systems of records.

**SUMMARY:** The Defense Logistics Agency proposes to amend a system of records notice in its inventory of record systems

subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended.

**DATES:** This action will be effective without further notice on March 26, 2004, unless comments are received that would result in a contrary determination.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the Privacy Act Officer, Headquarters, Defense Logistics Agency, ATTN: DSS-B, 8725 John J. Kingman Road, Stop 6220, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-6221.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Susan Salus at (703) 767-6183.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Defense Logistics Agency notices for systems of records subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, have been published in the Federal Register and are available from the address above.

The Defense Logistics Agency proposes to amend a system of records notice in its inventory of record systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended. The amendment is not within the purview of subsection (r) of the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, which requires the submission of a new or altered system report.

Dated: February 18, 2004.

**L.M. Bynum,**

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#### **S253.31 DLA-G**

##### **SYSTEM NAME:**

Patent Licensees and Assignments (February 22, 1993, 58 FR 10854).

##### **CHANGES:**

##### **SYSTEM IDENTIFIER:**

Delete entry and replace with 'S100.72'.

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##### **AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:**

Delete entry and replace with '10 U.S.C. 2386, Copyrights, patents, designs, etc.; acquisition; 10 U.S.C. 2515, Office of Technology Transition; 35 U.S.C. 202, Disposition of rights; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement Subpart 227.70 Infringement Claims, Licenses, and Assignments; DoD Regulation 3200.12-R-4, Domestic Technology Transfer Program.'

##### **PURPOSE(S):**

Delete entry and replace with 'Data is maintained for the acquisition and administration of patent license and assignment agreements.'

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