on the number of persons who register. If special equipment or accommodations are needed to attend or present information at the public meeting, the need should be brought to Mr. Scaletti's attention no later than November 27, 2001, to provide the NRC staff adequate notice to determine whether the request can be accommodated.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Dino Scaletti, Risk-Informed Initiatives, Environmental, Decommissioning, and Rulemaking Branch, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555. Mr. Scaletti may be contacted at the aforementioned telephone number or e-mail address.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 2nd day of November, 2001.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Cynthia A. Carpenter,

Chief, Risk Informed Initiatives, Environmental, Decommissioning, and Rulemaking Branch, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulations.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Review of an Information Collection: Standard Form 2800 and SF 2800A

AGENCY: Office of Personnel

Management. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) intends to submit to the Office of Management and Budget a request for review of an information collection. SF 2800, Application for Death Benefits Under the Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS), is needed to collect information so that OPM can pay death benefits to the survivors of Federal employees and annuitants. SF 2800A, Documentation and Elections in Support of Application for Death Benefits When Deceased Was an Employee at the Time of Death, is needed for deaths in service only so that survivors can make the needed elections regarding military service.

 Whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; and

—Ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through use of the appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Approximately 68,000 SF 2800's are processed annually. The form requires approximately 45 minutes to complete. An annual burden of 51,000 hours is estimated.

Approximately 6,800 applicants will use SF 2800A annually. This form also requires approximately 45 minutes to complete. An annual burden of 5,100 hours is estimated. The total burden is 56,100 hours.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on (202) 606–8358, FAX (202) 418–3251 or E-mail to *mbtoomey@opm.gov.* Please include your mailing address with your request.

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received on or before January 8, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to Ronald W. Melton, Chief, Operations Support Division, Retirement and Insurance Service, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW, Room 3349A, Washington, DC 20415–3540.

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION CONTACT:

Donna G. Lease, Team Leader, Forms Analysis and Design, Budget & Administrative Services Division, (202) 606–0623.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Kay Coles James,

Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 3826]

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs Request for Grant Proposals: Exchanges and Training Programs for Europe and Eurasia: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan

SUMMARY: The Office of Citizen, Europe/Eurasia Division, of the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs announces an open competition for Exchanges and Training Programs for Europe and Eurasia: Armenia,

Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan.

Public and private non-profit organizations meeting the provisions described in Internal Revenue Code section 26 USC 501(c)(3) may submit proposals to conduct exchanges and training programs.

Program Information

Overview

The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) invites applicants to submit proposals that encourage the growth of democratic institutions in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan. (Note: The Department previously referred to this region as the New Independent States (NIS). It is now being referenced as Europe and Eurasia.) Exchanges and training programs supported by institutional grants from ECA should operate at two levels: they should enhance institutional partnerships, and they should offer practical information to individuals and groups to assist them with their professional and volunteer responsibilities.

Strong proposals usually have the following characteristics: an active, existing partnership between a U.S. organization and an in-country institution(s); a proven successful track record for conducting program activity; cost-sharing from U.S. and in-country sources, including donations of air fares, hotel and/or housing costs, ground transportation, interpreters, room rentals, etc.; experienced staff with language ability; a clear, convincing plan outlining exactly how the program components will be carried out and how permanent results will be accomplished as a result of the grant; and a follow-on plan that extends beyond the ECA grant period. Knowledge of the current technological capacity (Internet connectivity, email, hardware and software) of in-country partners and their countries and/or regions, and a description of the role of technology in the proposed program, are essential. Cost sharing, which should be included in the budget, must be in tangible forms, both in-kind and monetary. Cost sharing may be contributed to the program by the prospective grantee institution, incountry partners and by third party sources.

Unless otherwise specified below: (1) Program activity may include: "training of trainers (TOT)," internships, short-term training, consultations, study tours, site visits, and extended,