

Privacy Impact Assessment Update for the

Automated Identification Management System

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Abstract

In accordance with the guidance issued by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) implementing the E-Government Act of 2002 to promote program transparency and address any privacy concerns, this revision of the United States Visitor and Immigrant Status Indicator Technology (US-VISIT) Program Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) is prompted by the decommissioning of the Automated Identification Management System (AIDMS).

Introduction

Beginning in August 2005, US-VISIT conducted a proof of concept (POC) for Increment 2C¹ to assess the capability of automatically, passively, and remotely recording the entry and exit of US-VISIT covered individuals at U.S. land border ports of entry (POEs) using Radio Frequency Identification (RFID)—enabled I-94 (Arrival/Departure) Forms. To support the US-VISIT Increment 2C POC, AIDMS was created to link the unique and individually-assigned RFID tag number to existing biographic information received from the Treasury Enforcement Communications System (TECS) and the entry and exit event information for each covered individual crossing the land border. A System of Records Notice (SORN) for AIDMS was published July 5, 2005.² The AIDMS decommission notice will be published in the Federal Register.

Reason for the PIA Update

In accordance with the guidance issued by OMB implementing the E-Government Act of 2002 to promote program transparency and address any privacy concerns, this revision of the US-VISIT PIA is prompted by the decommissioning of the AIDMS.

In November 2006, US-VISIT concluded the Increment 2C POC. Upon completion of the estimated one year POC (as noted in the US-VISIT Notice published August 4, 2005³), AIDMS has been decommissioned as data is no longer collected or stored in the system. All data previously stored in AIDMS will be deleted/destroyed 30 days after publication of the system decommission notice.

¹ 70 FR 39300, US-VISIT Privacy Impact Assessment, July 7, 2005.

² 70 FR 38699, Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records Notice, Automated Identification Management System (AIDMS), July 5, 2005.

³ 70 FR 44934, US-VISIT Notice on Automatic Identification of Certain Non-Immigrants Exiting the United States at Selected Land Border Ports-of-Entry, August 4, 2005.



Privacy Impact Analysis

In each of the below sections consider how the system has changed and what impact it has on the below fair information principles. In some cases there may be no changes and indicate as such.

The System and the Information Collected and Stored within the System

The AIDMS maintained four general categories of records: traveler (i.e., covered individual) identification information, RFID tag related information, RFID tag read event information, and border crossing history information. The traveler identification information and the border crossing history information were duplicative of information stored in TECS and the Arrival/Departure Information System (ADIS). The RFID tag information was comprised of data collected about the issuance and status of the Form I-94 as well as data associated with the reading of an RFID tag. This data is no longer being collected or stored in AIDMS, and all data previously stored in AIDMS will be deleted/destroyed 30 days after publication of the system decommission notice.

Uses of the System and the Information

Any and all uses of the data collected and stored in AIDMS have been discontinued.

Retention

AIDMS has been decommissioned in accordance with the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) General Records Schedule (GRS) 20, Item 1.a.

Internal Sharing and Disclosure

All internal sharing and disclosures have been discontinued.

External Sharing and Disclosure

All external sharing and disclosures have been discontinued.

Notice

Notice surrounding the decommissioning of AIDMS necessitating this PIA will be published in the Federal Register.

Individual Access, Redress, and Correction

The data collected and stored in AIDMS will no longer be available and will be deleted/destroyed thirty days after publication of the system decommission notice.



Technical Access and Security

The data collected and stored in AIDMS will no longer be available and will be deleted/destroyed 30 days after publication of the system decommission notice.

Technology

Upon conclusion of the US-VISIT Increment 2C POC, the POC locations have been restored and all deployed RFID hardware, software, and tags are no longer being used for the POC and have been dispositioned. The RFID-enabled Form I-94s that had been issued to travelers will continue to be used until the end of their normal lifecycle. In most cases this will be for no more than twelve months.

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