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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 7336]

### 30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Form DS-3097, Exchange Visitor Program Annual Report, OMB Control Number 1405-0151

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comment and submission to OMB of proposed collection of information.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

- *Title of Information Collection:* Exchange Visitor Program Annual Report.
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0151.
- *Type of Request:* Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.
- *Originating Office:* Educational and Cultural Affairs, Office of Designation, ECA/EC/D/PS.
- *Form Number:* Form DS-3097.
- *Respondents:* designated J-1 program sponsors.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1460.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 1460 annually.
- *Average Hours per Response:* 2 hours.
- *Total Estimated Burden:* 2920 hours.
- *Frequency:* Annually.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to Retain a Benefit.

**DATES:** Submit comments to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for up to 30 days from February 15, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct comments to the Department of State Desk Officer in the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). You may submit comments by the following methods:

- *E-mail:* [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov). You must include the DS form number, information collection title, and OMB control number in the subject line of your message.
- *Fax:* 202-395-5806. Attention: Desk Officer for Department of State.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** You may obtain copies of the proposed

information collection and supporting documents from Stanley S. Colvin, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Private Sector Exchange, Department of State, SA-5, Floor 5, 2200 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20522-0505, who may be reached at (202) 632-2805, fax at 202-632-2701 or e-mail at [JExchanges@state.gov](mailto:JExchanges@state.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary to properly perform our functions.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond.

*Abstract of proposed collection:*

Annual reports from designated program sponsors assist the Department in oversight and administration of the J-1 visa program. The reports provide statistical data on the number of exchange participants an organization sponsored per category. Program sponsors include government agencies, academic institutions, not-for-profit and for-profit organizations.

*Methodology:*

Annual reports are run through the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) and then printed and sent to the Department. The Department allows sponsors to submit annual reports by mail or fax at this time. There are measures being taken to allow sponsors to submit the reports electronically through SEVIS in the future.

Dated: February 4, 2011.

**Stanley S. Colvin,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. DOT-OST-2011-0019]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Revision and Approval of Information Collection; Comments Requested

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary (OST), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Transportation (DOT) invites public comments on a request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the revision and amendment of a previously approved Information Collection Request (OMB Control # 2105-0563) in accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

The previous approval granted the Department of Transportation authority to collect information involving National Infrastructure Investments or "TIGER II" Discretionary Grants pursuant to Title I of the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for 2010 (the "FY 2010 Appropriations Act"). The Office of the Secretary of Transportation ("OST") is referring to these grants as "TIGER II Discretionary Grants." The original collection of information was necessary in order to receive applications for grant funds pursuant to the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010 ("FY 2010 Appropriations Act"), Title I—Department of Transportation, Office of the Secretary, National Infrastructure Investments, Public Law 111-117, 123 Stat. 3034. The purpose of the TIGER II Discretionary Grants program is to advance projects that will have a significant impact on the Nation, Metropolitan area or a region.

This revision revises the original request to include an additional information collection. The additional information to be collected will be used to, and is necessary to, evaluate the effectiveness of projects that have been awarded grant funds and to monitor project financial conditions and project progress in support of the Supplemental Discretionary Grants for Capital Investments in Surface Transportation Infrastructure, referred to by the Department as "Grants for Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery", or "TIGER" Discretionary Grants program authorized and implemented pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (the "Recovery Act") (OMB Control Number: 2105-0560) and the grants for National Infrastructure Investments under the FY 2010 Appropriations Act or TIGER II" Discretionary Grants. The purposes of the TIGER and TIGER II Discretionary Grant programs include promoting economic recovery and supporting projects that have a significant impact on the Nation, a metropolitan area, or a region.