

decision to use 124-10027-10011 as the sole record identification number for that assassination record for further processing under the JFK Act. Accordingly, the assassination record in question is being processed and released to the public, pursuant to the Review Board's determinations, as record identification number 124-10027-10011.

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David G. Marwell,

Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

1997 Economic Census Covering Wholesale Trade, Retail Trade, and Food Services, Drinking Places, and Accommodations Sectors; Proposed Agency Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, 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)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before April 1, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Margaret L. Woody, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to John Trimble for Wholesale Trade, Bureau of the Census, Room 2682, Building 3, Washington, DC 20233 on (301) 457-2725 and to Fay Dorsett for Retail Trade and Food Services, Drinking Places, and Accommodations, Bureau of the Census, Room 2679, Building 3, Washington, DC 20233 on (301) 457-2687.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau is the preeminent collector and provider of timely, relevant and quality data about the people and economy of the United States. Economic data are the Census Bureau's primary program commitment

during nondecennial census years. The economic census, conducted under authority of Title 13 USC, is the primary source of facts about the structure and functioning of the Nation's economy and features unique industry and geographic detail. Economic census statistics serve as part of the framework for the national accounts and provide essential information for government, business and the general public. The 1997 Economic Census will cover virtually every sector of the U. S. economy including more than .5 million wholesale establishments, more than 1.1 million retail establishments, and more than .5 million food services, drinking places, and accommodations establishments.

II. Method of Collection

The wholesale trade, retail trade, and food services, drinking places, and accommodations sectors of the economic census will select establishments for their mail canvasses from a frame given by the Census Bureau's Standard Statistical Establishment List. To be eligible for selection, an establishment will be required to satisfy the following conditions: (i) it must be classified in the wholesale trade, retail trade, or food services, drinking places, and accommodations sector; (ii) it must be an active operating establishment of a multi-establishment firm, or it must be a single-establishment firm with payroll; and (iii) it must be located in one of the 50 states or the District of Columbia. Mail selection procedures will distinguish the following groups of establishments:

A. Establishments of Multi-Establishment Firms

Selection procedures will assign all active wholesale, retail, food services, drinking places, and accommodations operating establishments of multi-establishment firms to the mail component of the potential respondent universe. We estimate that the census mail canvass for 1997 will include approximately 155,000 wholesale multi-establishment firms, 422,000 retail multi-establishment firms, and 151,000 food services, drinking places, and accommodations multi-establishment firms.

B. Single-Establishment Firms With Payroll

As an initial step in the selection process, we will conduct a study of the potential respondent universe for wholesale trade, retail trade, and food services, drinking places, and accommodations. Wholesale trade

agents, brokers, and commission merchants will be exempted from this process and will all receive a standard form. The study of potential respondents will produce a set of industry-specific payroll cutoffs that we will use to distinguish large versus small single-establishment firms within each industry or kind of business. This payroll size distinction will affect selection as follows:

1. Large Single-Establishment Firms

Selection procedures will assign large single-establishment firms having annualized payroll (from Federal administrative records) that equals or exceeds the cutoff for their industry to the mail component of the potential respondent universe. We estimate that the census mail canvass for 1997 will include approximately 229,000 merchant wholesale firms, 238,000 retail firms, and 165,000 food services, drinking places, and accommodations firms in this category.

2. Small Single-Establishment Firms

Selection procedures will assign a sample of small single-establishment firms having annualized payroll below the cutoff for their industry to the mail component of the potential respondent universe. Sampling strata and corresponding probabilities of selection will be determined by a study of the potential respondent universe conducted shortly before mail selection operations begin. We estimate that the census mail canvass for 1997 will include approximately 11,000 merchant wholesale firms, 78,000 retail firms, and 17,000 food services, drinking places, and accommodations firms in this category.

Small single-establishment merchant wholesale firms not selected in the foregoing sample will receive a wholesale short form, which will collect basic statistics and other essential information that is not available from administrative records. We estimate that the census mail canvass for 1997 will include approximately 105,000 merchant wholesale firms in this category.

All single-establishment agents, brokers, and commission merchant firms will receive a wholesale standard form. We estimate that the census mail canvass will include approximately 45,000 firms in this category.

All remaining single-establishment firms with payroll will be represented in the census by data from Federal administrative records. Generally, we will not include these small employers in the census mail canvass. However, administrative records sometimes have

fundamental deficiencies that make them unsuitable for use in producing detailed industry statistics by geographic area. When we find such a deficiency, we will mail the firm a census short form to collect basic information needed to resolve the problem. We estimate that the census mail canvass for 1997 will include approximately 340,000 retail firms and 202,000 food services, drinking places, and accommodations firms in this category.

III. Data

The information collected from businesses in these sectors of the economic census will produce basic statistics by kind of business for number of establishments, sales, payroll, and employment. It also will yield a variety of subject statistics, including sales by commodity and merchandise line, sales by class of customer, and other industry-specific measures. Primary strategies for reducing burden in Census Bureau economic data collections are to increase electronic reporting through broader use of computerized self-administered census questionnaires, electronic data interchange, and other electronic data collection methods.

OMB Number: Not Available.

Form Number: The forms used to collect information from businesses in these sectors of the economic census are tailored to specific business practices and are too numerous to list separately in this notice. You can obtain information on the proposed content of the forms by calling Yvonne Wade on (301) 457-2661.

Type of Review: Regular review.

Affected Public: Businesses or Other for Profit, Non-profit Institutions, Small Businesses or Organizations, and State or Local Governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

Wholesale Trade (Standard Form)—395,000
Wholesale Trade (Short Form)—105,000
Retail Trade (Standard Form)—738,000
Retail Trade (Short Form)—333,000
Food Services, Drinking Places, and Accommodations (Standard Form)—340,000
Food Services, Drinking Places, and Accommodations (Short Form)—202,000

Estimated Time Per Response:

Wholesale Trade (Standard Form)—1.25 hrs
Wholesale Trade (Short Form)—.50 hrs
Retail Trade (Standard Form)—.85 hours
Retail Trade (Short Form)—.20 hours

Food Services, Drinking Places, and Accommodations (Standard Form)—.85 hours

Food Services, Drinking Places, and Accommodations (Short Form)—.20 hours

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:

Wholesale Trade (Standard Form)—493,750

Wholesale Trade (Short Form)—52,500

Retail Trade (Standard Form)—627,300

Retail Trade (Short Form)—66,600

Food Services, Drinking Places, and Accommodations (Standard Form)—289,000

Food Services, Drinking Places, and Accommodations (Short Form)—40,400

Estimated Total Annual Cost: The cost to the government for this work is included in the total cost of the 1997 Economic Census, estimated to be \$218 million.

IV. Request for Comments

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 (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (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.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: January 24, 1996.

Margaret L. Woody,

Office of Management and Organization.

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Bureau of Export Administration

Regulations and Procedures Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

A meeting of the Regulations and Procedures Technical Advisory Committee will be held March 19, 1996, 9:00 a.m., in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 3884, 14th Street between Constitution and Pennsylvania

Avenues NW., Washington, D.C. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration on implementation of the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) and provides for continuing review to update the EAR as needed.

Agenda

Open Session

1. Opening Remarks by the Chairman.
2. Presentation of Papers or Comments by the Public.
3. Update on the Enhanced Proliferation Control Initiative (EPCI).
4. Presentation/discussion on reform of the Export Administration Regulations (EAR).
5. Discussion on the Executive Order for the Administration of Export Controls.

Closed Session

6. Discussion of matters properly classified under Executive Order 12958, dealing with the U.S. export control program and strategic criteria related thereto.

The General Session of the meeting will be open to the public and a limited number of seats will be available. To the extent that time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. Written statements may be submitted at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate the distribution of public presentation materials to the Committee members, the Committee suggests that presenters forward the public presentation materials two weeks prior to the meeting date to the following address: Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter, TAC Unit/OAS/EA, Room 3886C, Bureau of Export Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230.

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the delegate of the General Counsel, formally determined on December 22, 1994, pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, that the series of meetings or portions of meetings of the Committee and of any Subcommittees thereof, dealing with the classified materials listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in section 10 (a)(1) and (a)(3), of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The remaining series of meetings or portions thereof will be open to the public.

A copy of the Notice of Determination to close meetings or portions of meetings of the Committee is available for public inspection and copying in the Central Reference and Records