

re-register for TPS within the registration period which begins on September 28, 1998, and ends on October 27, 1998. This notice concerns "extension of TPS designation," not "redesignation of TPS." An extension of TPS designation does not change the eligibility requirements for TPS, including the required dates of continuous residence and continuous physical presence in the United States.

Nationals of Somalia (or aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in Somalia) may register for TPS by filing an Application for Temporary Protected Status, Form I-821, which requires a filing fee (instructions regarding the payment of fees for re-registration are contained in paragraph 5 of this notice). The Application for Temporary Protected Status, Form I-821, must always be accompanied by an Application for Employment Authorization, Form I-765, which is required for data-gathering purposes. TPS applicants who already have employment authorization, including some asylum applicants, and those who have no need for employment authorization, including minor children, need pay only the I-821 fee, although they must complete and file the I-765. In all other cases, the appropriate filing fee must accompany Form I-765, unless a properly documented fee waiver request under 8 CFR 244.20 is submitted to the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Notice of Extension of Designation of Somalia Under the Temporary Protected Status Program

By the authority vested in me as Attorney General under section 244 of the Act (8 U.S.C. 1254), and pursuant to subsections 244(b)(3) (A) and (C) of the Act, I had consultations with the appropriate agencies of the Government concerning whether the conditions under which Somalia was designated for TPS continue to exist. As a result of those consultations, I determine that the conditions for the original designation of Temporary Protected Status for Somalia continue to be met. Accordingly, it is ordered as follows:

(1) The designation of Somalia under subsection 244(b) of the Act is extended for an additional 12-month period for September 18, 1998, to September 17, 1999.

(2) I estimate that there are approximately 350 nationals of Somalia (and aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in Somalia) who have been granted Temporary Protected Status and who are eligible for re-registration.

(3) In order to maintain current registration for Temporary Protected Status, a national of Somalia (or an alien having no nationality who last habitually resided in Somalia) who received a grant of TPS during the initial period of designation, from September 16, 1991, to September 16, 1992, must comply with the re-registration requirements contained in 8 CFR 244.17, which are described in pertinent part in paragraphs (4) and (5) of this notice.

(4) A national of Somalia (or an alien having no nationality who last habitually resided in Somalia) who previously has been granted TPS and has re-registered annually must re-register by filing a new Application for Temporary Protected Status, Form I-821, along with an Application for Employment Authorization, Form I-765, within the 30-day period beginning on September 28, 1998, and ending on October 27, 1998, in order to be eligible for Temporary Protected Status during the period from September 18, 1998, until September 17, 1999. Late re-registration may be allowed when good cause is shown for a failure to timely re-register pursuant to 8 CFR 244.17(c).

(5) There is no fee for Form I-821 filed as part of the re-registration application. A Form I-765 must be filed with the Form I-821. If the alien requests employment authorization for the extension period, the fee prescribed in 8 CFR 103.7(b)(1), currently seventy dollars (\$70), or a properly documented fee waiver request pursuant to 8 CFR 244.20, must accompany the Form I-765. An alien who does not request employment authorization must nonetheless file Form I-765 along with Form I-821, but in such cases no fee will be charged.

(6) Pursuant to subsection 244(b)(3)(A) of the Act, the Attorney General will review, at least 60 days before September 17, 1999, the designation of Somalia under the TPS program to determine whether the conditions for designation continue to be met. Notice of that determination, including the basis for the determination, will be published in the **Federal Register**.

(7) Information concerning the TPS program for nationals of Somalia (and aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in Somalia) will be available at local Immigration and Naturalization Service offices upon publication of this notice.

Dated: September 21, 1998.

Janet Reno,

Attorney General.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Justice Programs; Bureau of Justice Statistics

Agency Information Collection Activities: Extension of Currently Approved Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice of Information Collection Under Review; (Reinstatement, with change, of previously approved collection for which approval has expired); National Survey of Indigent Defense Systems.

The Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, has submitted the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1994. Office of Management and Budget approval is being sought for the information collection listed below. This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on April 16, 1998, allowing for a 60-day public comment period.

The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comment until October 28, 1998. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, D.C. 20530.

Additionally, comments may be submitted via facsimile to (202) 395-7285. Comments may also be submitted to Department of Justice (DOJ), Justice Management Division, Information Management and Security Staff, Attention: Department Clearance Officer, Suite 850, 1001 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20530. Additionally, comments may be submitted by DOJ via facsimile to (202) 514-1590.

Written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including

whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of information collection:* Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

(2) *The title of the form/collection:* National Study of Indigent Defense Systems.

(3) *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* Previous OMB number was 1121-0095. The agency form number is NSID-2. Bureau of Justice Statistics, United States Department of Justice.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: State and local providers of indigent defense services including selected county officials to identify indigent defense programs. Other: None.

This information collection will identify the number and characteristics of public defense organizations and agencies and measure the way in which States provide legal services for indigent criminal defendants, their caseloads, policies and practices. Information also will be gathered on type of offenses represented, expenditures, funding sources and other related administrative issues. The information collected will provide a comprehensive portrait of state and local efforts to meet the needs of indigent criminal defendants.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* An estimated 750 county officials will complete a 1-hour county questionnaire. An estimated 750 state and local providers of indigent defense services will complete a 2-hour program questionnaire. Total number of respondents is estimated at 1500. The

averaged completion time for both forms is 1.5 hours.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 2250.00 total burden hours for the data collection.

If additional information is required contact: Ms. Brenda E. Dyer, Deputy Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management and Security Staff, Justice Management Division, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street NW, Washington, DC 20530, or via facsimile at (202) 514-1534.

September 15, 1998.

Brenda E. Dyer,

Department Deputy Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Justice Programs

Office for Victims of Crime

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice of Information Collection Under Review; New Collection, Victims of Crime Act, Victim Assistance in Indian Country Grant Program, Grantee Performance Report

This proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until November 27, 1998. Request written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Does the proposed information collection instrument include all relevant program performance measures;

(2) Does the proposed information to be collected have practical utility;

(3) Does the proposed information to be collected enhance the quality and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Does the proposed information to be collected minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology,

e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please contact Cynthia Darling, 202-616-3571, Office for Victims of Crime, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, 810 Seventh Street, NW., Washington, DC 20531. You may also contact the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20530. Additionally, comments may be submitted to OMB via facsimile to (202) 395-7285. Comments may also be submitted to the Department of Justice (DOJ), Justice Management Division, Information Management and Security Staff, Attention: Department Clearance Officer, Suite 850, 1001 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20530. Additionally, comments may be submitted to DOJ via facsimile to (202) 514-1534.

Overview of this information:

(1) *Type of information collection:* New collection.

(2) *The title of the form/collection:* Victims of Crime Act, Victim Assistance in Indian Country Grant Program, Grantee Performance Report.

(3) The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:

Form: None. Office for Victims of Crime, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Tribal government. Other: None.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply: 42 respondents to complete an annual report in 2 hours.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 84 annual burden hours.

If additional information is required contact: Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management and Security Staff, Justice Management Division, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: September 22, 1998.

Robert B. Briggs,

Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice.

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