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All mailed correspondence should be sent to Rich Allen, Associate Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 4117 South Building, Washington, DC 20250-2000.

Send questions, comments, and requests for additional information to the e-mail address, fax number, or address listed above.

Signed at Washington, DC, March 31, 1999.

Donald M. Bay,

Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, April 16, 1999, 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 624 Ninth Street, N.W., Room 540, Washington, DC 20425.

STATUS: .

Agenda

- I. Approval of Agenda
- II. Approval of Minutes of March 5, 1999 Meeting
- III. Announcements
- IV. Staff Director's Report
- V. "Equal Educational Opportunity and Nondiscrimination for Minority Students: Federal Enforcement of Title VI in Ability Grouping Practices" Report
- VI. State Advisory Reports
 - "Civil Rights Issues Facing the Blind and Visually Impaired in Illinois" Report
 - "Police Protection of the African American Community in Chicago: An Update" (Illinois)
- VII. Future Agenda Items

CONTACT PERSON FOR FURTHER

INFORMATION: David Aronson, Press and Communications (202) 376-8312.

Stephanie Y. Moore,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce (DOC) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: Bureau of Export Administration (BXA).

Title: Survey of U.S. Chemical Industry to Assist in Compliance Activities Regarding Certain Provisions of the Chemical Weapons Convention.

Agency Form Number: None.

OMB Approval Number: 0694-New.

Type of Request: New collection.

Burden: 50 hours.

Average Time Per Response: 30 minutes per response.

Number of Respondents: 100 respondents.

Needs and Uses: The Chemical Weapons Convention is a multilateral arms control treaty that seeks to achieve an international ban on chemical weapons. This collection of information is necessary in order to assist efforts by U.S. government officials to ensure that the U.S. is and will be in compliance with certain provisions of the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC) Treaty.

Affected Public: Federal government, businesses or other for-profit institutions.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, (202) 482-3272, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, 725 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230.

Dated: March 31, 1999.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission For OMB Review; Comment Request

DOC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: Bureau of the Census.

Title: Census 2000 Maritime Enumeration.

Form Number(s): D-34, D-47.

Agency Approval Number: Not available.

Type of Request: New collection.

Burden: 66 hours.

Number of Respondents: 810.

Avg Hours Per Response: D-34—2 minutes, D-47—5 minutes.

Needs and Uses: Planning is currently underway for the Census 2000, which the Census Bureau will conduct on April 1, 2000. The Census Bureau must provide everyone in the United States and Outlying Areas the opportunity to be counted in the Census 2000, including persons on U.S. flag oceangoing vessels.

Based on addresses provided by the Maritime Administration (MARAD) and other contacts, the Census Bureau will mail enumeration packages, which include multiple copies of Form D-23, "Shipboard Census Report" (SCR) to U.S. flag maritime ship current operators, who will forward the census materials to the ship's captains/masters, who will in turn distribute the SCRs to the ship's officers, crew, and passengers for completion. (The SCR is cleared separately under OMB approval number 0607-0856.) This request is for clearance of Forms D-34, "Census 2000 Information for American Flag Vessels" and D-47, "Census 2000 Location Report for American Flag Vessels." These forms will be used in the administration of the enumeration of the U.S. shipboard population. Each current operator is asked to complete Form D-34 if he/she needs additional enumeration materials for other vessels. Each ship's captain/master will complete Form D-47 to note the ship's location.

The Census Bureau uses the information on Form D-34 to supplement our mailing list for maritime vessels. We use the information on Form D-47 to correctly assign individuals aboard ship who report the vessel as their usual residence to the appropriate geographic area associated with the ship.

Affected Public: American flag vessel owners/operators and ship's captains/masters.

Frequency: One time.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13, United States Code, Sections 141, 193, 221, and 222.

OMB Desk Officer: Nancy Kirkendall, (202) 395-7313.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3272, Department of Commerce, room 5033, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Nancy Kirkendall, OMB Desk Officer, room 10201, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: March 31, 1999.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Annual Survey of State and Local Government Finance

ACTION: Proposed collection; 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 June 7, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5033, 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 David Kellerman, Chief, Finance Branch, Governments Division, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233-6800 [(301) 457-1502].

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Annual Survey of State and Local Government Finance collects data on state government finances and estimates of local government revenue, expenditures, debt, and assets, nationally and within state areas. Data are collected for all agencies, departments, and institutions of the fifty state governments and for a sample of all local governments (counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts). The forms and procedures are similar to those used in previous annual surveys. Data for school districts are collected under a separate survey.

Results of this survey are used by the Bureau of Economic Analysis to develop the public sector components of the National Income and Product Accounts. Other Federal agencies that make frequent use of these data include the U.S. Federal Reserve Board, the Congressional Research Service, the General Accounting Office, and the Department of Justice. Other users include state and local government executives and legislators, policy makers, economists, researchers, and the general public.

II. Method of Collection

Canvass methodology consists of a mail out/mail back questionnaire. Responses will be screened manually, then put into an electronic format. Telephone follow-up is used to contact non-respondents and, as necessary, to correct apparent errors and incorrect responses. Other methods used to collect data and maximize response include central data collection and electronic reporting.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607-0585.

Form Number: F-5, F-5A, F-11, F-12, F-13, F-21, F-22, F-25, F-28, F-29, F-32, F-42.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: State and local governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 7,459.

Estimated Time Per Response: 3.5 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 22,798.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: Cost to respondents is estimated to be \$353,369.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Title 13, sections 161 and 182.

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: March 31, 1999.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

Firearms Convention

ACTION: Proposed collection; 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 June 7, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230. Her e mail address is LEngelme@doc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Dawnielle Battle, BXA Information Collection Liaison, Department of Commerce, Room 6881, 14th & Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: