

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Current employees of USIA, some contractors, members of advisory committees, student interns, and persons on detail from other Government agencies.

PURPOSES:

Provide positive identification of employees, contractors and others for entry into and movement within USIA premises.

Provide photographs for use by the Office of Public Liaison and other USIA elements having official need for visual identification records.

Provide photographs to employees for other official uses. Provide automated records of access to select areas/facilities within USIA building.

STORAGE:

All records are stored in electronic form on magnetic tape.

SAFEGUARDS:

2. Physical safeguards: Records database and photographs are stored in a locked room with limited access during duty hours. During non-duty hours, the room is locked and alarmed.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Records remain in system as long as person to whom they pertain is employed by or affiliated with USIA. Records of all former employees and persons with past affiliations are retained in their electronic format for five years. All destruction is accomplished under appropriate security controls.

23. Under USIA—40, SYSTEM NAME, CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM, STORAGE, SAFEGUARDS, RETENTION AND DISPOSAL, and SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS are revised to read as follows:

SYSTEM NAME:

Locator Online System—M/TN.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Locator file prepared for each domestic employee, containing the name, social security number, office location, telephone number, home address and telephone number of person to contact in case of emergency.

STORAGE:

Material maintained in computer file.

SAFEGUARDS:

Files maintained by Telephone Office with safeguards.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Files retained for one year after departure of employee and disposed of by deleting.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

Chief, Communications Branch, USIA, 301 4th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20547.

Dated: June 7, 1999.

Les Jin,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0049]

Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments for information necessary to determine entitlement to compensation and pension benefits for a child between the ages of 18 and 23 attending school.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before August 16, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20S52), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0049" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 273-7079 or FAX (202) 275-5947.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C., 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of

Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title and Form Numbers: Request for Approval of School Attendance, VA Form 21-674 and 21-674c.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0049.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The data collected is used to determine entitlement to compensation and pension benefits for a child between the ages of 18 and 23 attending school.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 34,500 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Generally one time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 138,000.

Dated: December 2, 1998.

By direction of the Secretary.

Donald L. Neilson,

Director, Information Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0458]

Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the

proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the information needed to determine continued entitlement to benefits for a veteran's child between the ages of 18 and 23 who is attending school.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before August 16, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20S52), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0458" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 273-7079 or FAX (202) 275-5947.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C., 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title: Certification of School Attendance or Termination, VA Form 21-8960.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0458.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The form is used to gather the necessary information to determine continued entitlement to benefits for a veteran's child between the ages of 18 and 23 who is attending school. If the information were not collected, VA would be unable to verify continued entitlement to benefits in a timely manner.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 11,667 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Generally one time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 70,000.

Dated: January 15, 1999.

By direction of the Secretary.

Donald L. Neilson,

Director, Information Management Service.

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