

exempt from Commission oversight referred to as an "exempt board of trade." Rule 36.2 implements regulations that define those commodities that are eligible to trade on an exempt board of trade. Rule 36.2(b) implements the notification requirements of section 5d of the Act. Rule 36.2(b)(1) requires exempt boards of trade relying on this exemption to disclose to traders that the facility and trading on the facility is not regulated by the Commission. This requirement is necessary to make manifest the nature of the market and to avoid misleading the public.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for the CFTC's regulations were published on December 30, 1981. See 46 FR 63035 (Dec. 30, 1981). The Federal Register notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on February 23, 2004 (69 FR 8180-01).

Burden statement: The respondent burden for this collection is estimated to average 10 hours per response. These estimates include the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information and disclosing and provide information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Respondents/Affected Entities: 10.

Estimated number of responses: 10.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 100 hours.

Frequency of collection: On Occasion.

Send comments regarding the burden estimated or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the addresses listed below. Please refer to OMB Control No. 3038-0054 in any correspondence.

Richard Shiltz, Division of Market Oversight, U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 1155 21st Street, NW., Washington, DC 20581, and Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for CFTC, 725 17th Street, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: June 15, 2004.

Jean A. Webb,

Secretary of the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) announces the following proposed reinstatement of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. 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 burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by August 23, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) (Military Personnel Policy)/Accession Policy, ATTN: Major Ruth Hamilton, 4000 Defense Program, Washington, DC 20301-4000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address or call (703) 695-5552.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Control: Request for Reference, DD Form 370, OMB Control Number 0704-0167.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary to obtain personal reference data, in order to request a waiver, on a military applicant who has committed a civil or

criminal offense and would otherwise be disqualified for entry to the Armed Forces of the United States. The DD Form 370 is used to obtain references information evaluating the character, work habits, and attitudes of an applicant from a person of authority or standing within the community.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, non-profit or other for profit businesses, non-profit institutions, local, tribal and state agencies. Normally, this form would be completed by responsible community leaders such as school officials, ministers and law enforcement officials.

Annual Burden Hours: 7,181.

Number of Respondents: 43,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: .167 hour (10 minutes) per respondent.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

This information is collected to provide the Armed Services with specific background information on an applicant. History of criminal activity, arrests, or confinement is disqualifying for military service. An applicant, with such a disqualifier, is required to submit references from community leaders who will attest to his or her character, attitudes or work habits. The DD Form 370 is the method of information collection which requests an evaluation and reference from a specific individual, within the community, who has the knowledge of the applicant's habits, behaviors, personality and character. The information will be used to determine suitability of the applicant for military service and the issuance of a waiver for acceptance.

Dated: June 15, 2004.

L. M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel

and Readiness) announces the following proposed reinstatement of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. 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 burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by August 23, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness)(Military Personnel Policy)/ Accession Policy, ATTN: Major Ruth Hamilton, 4000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-4000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address or call (703) 695-5527.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Control Number: "Request for Verification of Birth," DD Form 372, OMB Control Number: 0704-0006.

Needs and Uses: Title 10, USC 505, 532, 3253, and 8253, require applicants meet minimum and maximum age and citizenship requirements for enlistment into the Armed Forces (including the Coast guard). If an applicant is unable to provide a birth certificate, the recruiter will forward a DD Form 372, "Request for Verification of Birth," to a state or local agency requesting verification of the applicant's birth date. This verification of the birth date ensures that the applicant does not fall outside the age limitations, and the applicants place of birth supports the citizenship status claimed by the applicant.

Affected Public: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Annual Burden Hours: 8,300.

Number of Respondents: 100,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: .083 hour per respondent.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

This information provides the Armed Services with the exact birth date of an applicant. The DD Form 372 is the method of collecting and verifying birth data on applicants who are unable to provide a birth certificate from their city, county, or state. The DoD Form is considered the official request for obtaining the birth data on applicants.

Dated: June 15, 2004.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, DoD.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Record of Decision for 2d Armored Cavalry Regiment Transformation and Installation Mission Support, Joint Readiness Training Center (JRTC) and Fort Polk, Louisiana, and Long-Term Military Training Use of Kisatchie National Forest Lands

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of availability of Record of Decision.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army announces the availability of its Record of Decision (ROD) for 2d Armored Cavalry Regiment (2d ACR) Transformation and Installation Mission Support, Joint Readiness Training Center (JRTC) and Fort Polk, Louisiana, and Long Term Military Training Use of Kisatchie National Forest Lands. On March 19, 2004, the Army published a Notice of Availability of its Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that considered the environmental consequences of the proposed actions and alternatives. The ROD describes the Army's decisions with respect to the proposed actions and alternatives considered in the EIS and its rationale for the decision. Based on the EIS and other relevant factors, the Army has decided to implement its proposed actions. This decision allows the Army to proceed with transformation of the 2d ACR at the JRTC and Fort Polk, Louisiana, and to undertake additional actions to support the installation's current and future missions. The decision includes fielding of the Army's new Stryker vehicle and equipment; construction and improvement of firing ranges, roads, stream crossings, and training support facilities; land use agreements and leases; creation and expansion of helicopter training areas; training and deployment of Army

troops; and continued environmental stewardship. The decision also affirms the Army's commitment to implementing a series of mitigation and monitoring measures to offset potential adverse environmental impacts associated with the proposed actions, as identified in the Final EIS.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the ROD may be submitted to: Dan Nance, Fort Polk Public Affairs Office, 7073 Radio Road, Fort Polk, LA 71459-5342; phone: (337) 531-7203; fax: (337) 531-6014; e-mail: eis@polk.army.mil.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stacy Basham-Wagner, Joint Agency Liaison, Attention: AFZX-PW-E (Basham-Wagner), 1799 23rd Street, Fort Polk, LA 71459; telephone: (337) 531-7458, fax: (337) 531-2627.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of the Army, as the lead agency, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service and U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), as cooperating agencies, prepared the EIS for 2d ACR Transformation and Installation Mission Support, JRTC and Fort Polk, Louisiana, and Long Term Military Training Use of Kisatchie National Forest Lands. The EIS was prepared to address proposed actions affecting the JRTC and Fort Polk, portions of the Kisatchie National Forest in west-central Louisiana; and England Industrial Airpark at Alexandria, Louisiana. The EIS identified the relevant environmental and socioeconomic impacts of the proposed actions and alternatives on the biological, physical, and cultural environment.

The Army has designated the 2d ACR to transform to the 2d Cavalry Regiment (2d CR), a medium-weight force equipped with Stryker vehicles that will be strategically responsive and more rapidly deployable by air. In addition to transformation of the 2d ACR, units stationed at other Army installations will participate in exercises at the JRTC and Fort Polk on a rotational basis. To these ends, the Army has decided to implement force transformation and installation mission support activities at the JRTC and Fort Polk with respect to home station training (maneuver and gunnery exercises for Army units assigned to Fort Polk), rotational unit exercises, and facilities construction.

In accordance with Forest Service decisions, the Army will also continue its use of Kisatchie National Forest lands to support military training. The areas of the Kisatchie National Forest to be used by the Army are known as the Intensive Use Area and Limited Use