

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

In carrying out its statutory mandate in 15 U.S.C. 637(m) to provide oversight of certification related to the Women-Owned Small Business Federal Contract Program (WOSB Program), the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is currently approved to collect information from WOSB Program applicants or participants through its certification and information collection platform, *Certify.SBA.gov* (Certify). SBA is revising this information collection by updating its hourly burden analysis to reflect the new certification requirements, including the new monthly reporting requirement for third-party certifiers, and adding instructions for firms that wish to document their eligibility using their CVE certification.

Solicitation of Public Comments

SBA is requesting comments on (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the agency to properly perform its functions; (b) whether the burden estimates are accurate; (c) whether there are ways to minimize the burden, including through the use of automated techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) whether there are ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information.

Summary of Information Collection

OMB Control Number: 3245–0374.

Title: “Certification for the Women-Owned Small Business Federal Contract Program”.

Description of Respondents: Women Owned Small Business.

Form Number: 2413, 2414.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 12,000.

Total Estimated Annual Hour Burden: 24,400.

Curtis Rich,

Agency Clearance Officer.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**Interest Rates**

The Small Business Administration publishes an interest rate called the Optional Peg Rate (13 CFR 120.214) on a quarterly basis. This rate is a weighted average cost of money to the Government for maturities similar to the average SBA direct loan. This rate may be used as a base rate for guaranteed fluctuating interest rate SBA loans. This rate will be 4.88 percent for the January–March quarter of FY 2024.

Pursuant to 13 CFR 120.921(b), the maximum legal interest rate for any Third Party Lender’s commercial loan which funds any portion of the cost of a 504 project (see 13 CFR 120.801) shall be 6% over the Prime rate or, if that exceeds the maximum interest rate permitted by the constitution or laws of a given State, the maximum interest rate will be the rate permitted by the constitution or laws of the given State.

David Parrish,

Chief, Secondary Market Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 12296]

Determination and Certification With Respect to the Child Soldiers Prevention Act of 2008

ACTION: Determination.

SUMMARY: The State Department is publishing a Determination signed by the Secretary of State on October 5, 2021.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Antony J. Blinken, Secretary of State, signed the following “Determination and Certification with Respect to the Child Soldiers Prevention Act of 2008” on October 5, 2021. The State Department maintains the original document.

(Begin summary.)

Determination and Certification with Respect to the Child Soldiers Prevention Act of 2008 Pursuant to section 404 of the Child Soldiers Prevention Act of 2008 (CSPA) (22 U.S.C. 2370c–1) and Presidential Memorandum dated October 14, 2020, I hereby:

(1) Determine that it is in the national interest of the United States to waive the application of the prohibition under section 404(a) of the CSPA with respect to Mali to allow for the issuance of licenses for direct commercial sales of military equipment; and

(2) Certify that the government of Mali is taking effective and continuing steps to address the problem of child soldiers.

Accordingly, I hereby waive such application of section 404(a) of the CSPA with respect to Mali for Fiscal Year 2022.

This Determination and Certification shall be published in the **Federal Register** and transmitted, along with the accompanying Memorandum of Justification, to the appropriate committees of Congress.

(End summary.)

Danusia K. Hubah,

Director, Office of Security and Human Rights, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State.

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TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**Extension of the Agency’s Current Approval for Information Collection**

AGENCY: United States Trade and Development Agency.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) has submitted a request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to review and approve an extension for a currently approved information collection for Evaluation of USTDA Performance.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before February 2, 2024.

ADDRESSES: To access and review all of the documents related to the data collection listed in this notice, please use <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching the agency name. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website: www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function and entering the title of the collection.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Sheneé Turner, Administrative Officer, Attn: PRA, U.S. Trade and Development Agency, 1101 Wilson Blvd., Suite 1100, Arlington, VA 22209–3901; Tel.: (703) 875–4357, Fax: (703) 775–4037; Email: comments@ustda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: USTDA published its first **Federal Register** Notice on this data request extension on November 6, 2023, at 88 FR 7626782, at which time a 60-day comment period was announced. No comments were received in response to this notice at the end of the comment period.

Comments are invited on: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including