# DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

[PS-102-88]

# Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Regulation Project

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, 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)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning an existing final regulation, PS-102-88 (TD 8612), Income, Gift and Estate Tax (20.2056A-3, 20.2056A-4, and 20.2056A-10).

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before October 25, 2004 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Paul H. Finger, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6411, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the regulations should be directed to Larnice Mack at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6407, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622–3179, or through the Internet at (Larnice.Mack@irs.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Income, Gift and Estate Tax. *OMB Number:* 1545–1360. *Regulation Project Number:* PS–102– 88.

*Abstract:* This regulation concerns the availability of the gift and estate tax marital deduction when the donee spouse or the surviving spouse is not a United States citizen. The regulation provides guidance to individuals or fiduciaries: (1) For making a qualified domestic trust election on the estate tax return of a decedent whose surviving spouse is not a United States citizen in order that the estate may obtain the marital deduction, and (2) for filing the annual returns that such an election may require.

*Current Actions:* There is no change to this existing regulation.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,300.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 2 hours, 40 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 6,150.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the 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 of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (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; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: August 18, 2004.

#### Paul H. Finger,

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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

#### **Internal Revenue Service**

[INTL-399-88]

# Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Regulation Project

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, 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)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning an existing final regulation, INTL-399-88 (TD 8434), Treatment of Dual Consolidated Losses (1.1503–2) DATES: Written comments should be received on or before October 25, 2004 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Paul H. Finger, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6411, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the regulations should be directed to Larnice Mack at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6407, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622–3179, or through the Internet at (Larnice.Mack@irs.gov).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Treatment of Dual Consolidated Losses.

*OMB Number:* 1545–1083.

Regulation Project Number: INTL– 399–88.

Abstract: Internal Revenue Code section 1503(d) denies use of the losses of one domestic corporation by another affiliated domestic corporation where the loss corporation is also subject to the income tax of another country. This regulation allows an affiliate to make use of the loss if the loss has not been used in the foreign country and if an agreement is attached to the income tax return of the dual resident corporation or group, to take the loss into income upon future use of the loss in the foreign country. The regulation also requires separate accounting for a dual consolidated loss where the dual resident corporation files a consolidated return.

*Current Actions:* There is no change to this existing regulation.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other forprofit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 500.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 3 hrs., 14 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1,620 minutes.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice: