

for an IHA, for the take of small numbers of marine mammals, by Level B harassment only, incidental to conducting confined blasting activities in the Port of Miami in Miami, Florida. Accordingly, NMFS has withdrawn its related proposed IHA.

ADDRESSES: The documents and the application related to this action are available by writing to Jolie Harrison, Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, or by telephoning the contact listed here.

A copy of the IHA application may be obtained by writing to the address specified above, telephoning the contact listed below (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**), or visiting the Internet at: <http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/permits/incidental/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Howard Goldstein or Jolie Harrison, NMFS, 301-427-8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 15, 2013, NMFS received an application from the ACOE requesting an IHA. The requested IHA would authorize the take, by Level B harassment, small numbers of Atlantic bottlenose dolphins (*Tursiops truncatus*) incidental to confined blasting activities in Miami Harbor, Port of Miami, in Miami-Dade County, Florida. NMFS published a notice of the proposed IHA in the **Federal Register** (79 FR 6545) on February 4, 2014. On August 3, 2015, NMFS accepted notice from the ACOE withdrawing their IHA application for the proposed action. The ACOE was able to complete the construction project using dredging methods and without needing to conduct confined blasting. Therefore, NMFS has withdrawn its proposed IHA for the action.

Dated: September 3, 2015.

Perry F. Gayaldo,

Deputy Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

[Docket No. PTO-C-2015-0058]

Performance Review Board (PRB)

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In conformance with the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978, the United States Patent and Trademark Office announces the appointment of persons to serve as members of its Performance Review Board.

ADDRESSES: Director, Human Capital Management, Office of Human Resources, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Karlinchak at (571) 272-8717.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The membership of the United States Patent and Trademark Office Performance Review Board is as follows:

Russell D. Slifer, Chair, Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Deputy Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Frederick W. Steckler, Vice Chair, Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Andrew H. Hirshfeld, Commissioner for Patents, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Mary Boney Denison, Commissioner for Trademarks, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Anthony P. Scardino, Chief Financial Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

John B. Owens II, Chief Information Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Sarah T. Harris, General Counsel, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Shira Perlmutter, Chief Policy Officer and Director for International Affairs, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Alternates

Sharon R. Marsh, Deputy Commissioner for Trademark Examination Policy, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Andrew I. Faile, Deputy Commissioner for Patent Operations, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Dated: September 1, 2015.

Michelle K. Lee,

Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

[Docket ID: USA-2015-0008]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by October 13, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Licari, 571-372-0493.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Title, Associated Form and OMB Number:* Department of Defense (DoD) Passport and Passport Agent Services, Authorization to apply for "No-Fee" Passport and/or request for Visa, DD Form 1056, 0702-XXXX.

Type of Request: New.

Number of Respondents: 175,000.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 175,000.

Average Burden per Response: 60 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 175,000.

Needs And Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary to obtain and record the personally identifiable information of official passport and/or visa applicants. This information is used to process, track, and verify no-fee passport and visa applications and requests for additional visa pages and Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) endorsements.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Ms. Jasmeet Seehra.

Comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be emailed to Ms. Jasmeet Seehra, DoD Desk Officer, at Oira_submission@omb.eop.gov. Please identify the proposed information collection by DoD Desk Officer and the Docket ID number and title of the information collection.

You may also submit comments and recommendations, identified by Docket ID number and title, by the following method:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, Docket

ID number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Frederick Licari.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Licari at WHS/ESD Directives Division, 4800 Mark Center Drive, East Tower, Suite 02G09, Alexandria, VA 22350-3100.

Dated: September 4, 2015.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

[Docket ID: USA-2015-HQ-0034]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: US Army in Europe (USAREUR), G1, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the U.S. Army in Europe (USAREUR), G1 announces a proposed 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 the 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 November 9, 2015.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- **Mail:** Department of Defense, Office of the Deputy Chief Management Officer, Directorate of Oversight and Compliance, Regulatory and Audit Matters Office, 9010 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-9010.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

Any associated form(s) for this collection may be located within this same electronic docket and downloaded for review/testing. Follow the instructions at <http://www.regulations.gov> for submitting comments. Please submit comments on any given form identified by docket number, form number, and title.

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 U.S. Army in Europe (USAREUR), G1, CPD, Attn: AEPE-CD, Unit 29351, Box 99, APO AE 09014-9351, or email Armand Lepage, Chief, DoD Contractor Personnel Office (DOCPER), armand.c.lepage.civ@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: *Associated Form; and OMB Number:* DOCPER Contractor Online Processing System (DCOPS); AE Form 715-9A and AE Form 715-9C; OMB Control Number 0702-XXXX.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary if DoD contractors and their employees working in Germany and Italy request to be provided the same status under the NATO Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) as DoD civilians working for the DoD in those Host Nations. The information collected is used to qualify the contractor employees for NATO SOFA status under the procedures outlined in the respective bilateral agreements between the US and the Host Nations. Allowing DoD contractors and their employees to obtain NATO SOFA status exempts them from most Host Nation taxation, and from the requirement to obtain work and residency permits while working in support of the DoD mission.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit; Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 1500.

Number of Respondents: 1500.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 1500.

Average Burden per Response: 60 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondents are DoD contractors and their contractor employees who, if desiring NATO SOFA status, must provide certain information under the bilateral agreements with the Host Nations. For contracts, the information provided is the contract itself, including a description of the work to be done by the contractor, and the various positions, locations, and salaries associated with each position on the contract. For the contractor employee, personal information to be provided includes full name, SSN, date and place of birth, resumes, dependent information, and sufficient personal historical information intended to assure the Host Nation that the contractor employee is not considered to be "ordinarily resident", *i.e.*, a person who, under the bilateral agreements, would not be eligible for the tax relief provided by NATO SOFA status.

Dated: September 4, 2015.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement to Transition Six FA-18C Strike Fighter Squadrons to FA-18E Strike Fighter Squadrons at Naval Air Station Oceana, Virginia and To Announce Public Scoping Meetings

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 Code of Federal Regulations parts 1500-1508), the Department of the Navy (DoN) announces its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to evaluate the potential environmental consequences of transitioning six FA-18C (Hornet) strike fighter squadrons to FA-18E (Super Hornet) strike fighter squadrons at Naval Air Station (NAS) Oceana, Virginia. The EIS will also include a comprehensive analysis of NAS Oceana operations, addressing