

of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.

- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of technology.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the proposed information collection and supporting documents may be obtained from Eric Cohan, 2401 E ST NW., RM L-703, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20520, (202) 663-1164. Public comments and questions should be directed to the State Department Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Washington, DC 20530, (202) 395-5871.

Dated: March 5, 2001.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Office of Visa Services

[Public Notice 3631]

Proposed Information Collection Notice

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: 30-Day notice of proposed information collection (OMB 1405-0091): DS-117, Application to determine returning resident status (Formerly DSP-117).

SUMMARY: The Department of State has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Comments should be submitted to OMB within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

The following summarizes the information collection proposal submitted to OMB:

Type of Request: Extension of Currently Approved Collection
Originating Office: Bureau of Consular Affairs, Office of Visa Services (CA/VO).

Title of Information Collection: Application to Determine Returning Resident Status.

Frequency: Once.

Form Number: DS-117 (formerly DSP-117).

Respondents: All applicants for returning resident status.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,000.

Average Hours Per Response: 0.5 hours.

Total Estimated Burden: 500 hours.

Public comments are being solicited to permit the agency to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
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[Public Notice 3632]

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs Request for Grant Proposals: International Visitor Program Assistance Awards

SUMMARY: The Office of International Visitors of the Division of Professional and Cultural Exchanges, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, (ECA/PE/V), United States Department of State (DOS) announces an open

competition for two assistance awards to support the International Visitor program. Awards will be divided into one small awards' category (Award A) and one large awards' category (Award B). Funding will be for FY-2002 (October 1, 2001-September 30, 2002). The small assistance award (AWARD A) will include the development and implementation of International Visitor programs (IV) for up to 450 current or potential foreign leaders; the large award (AWARD B) will include the development and implementation of IV programs for up to 1,700 current or potential foreign leaders. Public and private nonprofit organizations not receiving Office of International Visitor assistance awards for FY-2002 and meeting the provisions described in IRS regulation 26 CFR 1.501© may apply for these awards. *[See Project Objectives, Goals and Implementation (POGI) for definitions of program-related terminology.]

The intent of this announcement is to provide the opportunity for two organizations to develop and implement a variety of IV programs including those funded through FREEDOM Support Act (FSA) and Support for Eastern European Democracy (SEED) Act transfers. The award recipients will function as national program agencies (NPAs) and will work closely with DOS Bureau staff, who will guide them through procedural, budgetary and/or programmatic issues for the full range of IV programs, as they arise. (Hereafter, the terms "award recipient" and "national program agency" will be used interchangeably to refer to the winning organization(s). On occasion, the award recipients may be asked to develop and implement specialized IV programs.

The award recipients will develop over the course of fiscal year 2002 (October 1, 2001-September 30, 2002) two discrete sets of IV programs: (1) (AWARD A): up to 450 foreign participants; and (2) (AWARD B): up to 1,700 foreign participants. Applicant organizations may bid on one or both awards. Pending availability of funds, one award will be made under the small assistance award and one will be made under the large assistance award. If an organization is interested in bidding on both awards, a separate proposal and budget is required for each award.

Program Information

Overview: IV program goals are based on U.S. foreign policy objectives and are designed to: (1) increase mutual understanding between the people of the U.S. and the people of other countries; and (2) provide substantive professional exchange between the