

blocked under the relevant sanctions authority listed below.

Individuals

1. DELGADO CASTELLON, Celina, Residencial Mira Bosques Casa C15, Managua, Nicaragua; DOB 08 May 1976; POB Esteli, Nicaragua; nationality Nicaragua; Gender Female; National ID No. 1610805760006T (Nicaragua) (individual) [NICARAGUA].

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(iii) of Executive Order 13851 of November 27, 2018, "Blocking Property of Certain Persons Contributing to the Situation in Nicaragua," 83 FR 61505, 3 CFR, 2018 Comp., p. 884 ("E.O. 13851"), for being an official of the Government of Nicaragua or having served as an official of the Government of Nicaragua at any time on or after January 10, 2007.

2. DIAZ FLORES, Nahima Janett, Residencial Lomas del Valle, Casa No. U-5, Managua, Nicaragua; DOB 28 Jun 1989; POB Managua, Nicaragua; nationality Nicaragua; Gender Female; National ID No. 0012806890047K (Nicaragua) (individual) [NICARAGUA].

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(iii) of E.O. 13851, for being an official of the Government of Nicaragua or having served as an official of the Government of Nicaragua at any time on or after January 10, 2007.

3. BARAHONA CASTRO, Rosa Adelina (a.k.a. BARAHONA DE RIVAS, Rosa Adelina), Zona Central, Matagalpa, Nicaragua; DOB 10 May 1957; POB Murra, Nueva Segovia, Nicaragua; nationality Nicaragua; Gender Female; National ID No. 4901005570000R (Nicaragua) (individual) [NICARAGUA].

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(iii) of E.O. 13851, for being an official of the Government of Nicaragua or having served as an official of the Government of Nicaragua at any time on or after January 10, 2007.

4. PULIDO ORTIZ, Bayardo de Jesus, Residencial Altos de Motastepe, Casa 746, Ciudad Sandino, Managua, Nicaragua; DOB 29 Oct 1960; POB Masaya, Nicaragua; nationality Nicaragua; Gender Male; National ID No. 001291060007C (Nicaragua); Diplomatic Passport E0022392 (Nicaragua) issued 12 Apr 2012 expires 12 Apr 2022 (individual) [NICARAGUA].

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(iii) of E.O. 13851, for being an official of the Government of Nicaragua or having served as an official of the Government of Nicaragua at any time on or after January 10, 2007.

5. RODRIGUEZ RUIZ, Bayardo Ramon, KM 9 Carretera Nueva A Leon Y 300 Mts Al Este, Casa 9, Managua, Nicaragua; DOB 12 Apr 1961; POB Managua, Nicaragua; nationality Nicaragua; Gender Male; National ID No. 0011204610031W (Nicaragua); Diplomatic Passport A0008886 (Nicaragua) issued 12 Feb 2012 expires 12 Feb 2022 (individual) [NICARAGUA].

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(iii) of E.O. 13851, for being an official of the Government of Nicaragua or having served as an official of the Government of Nicaragua at any time on or after January 10, 2007.

6. CALDERON VINDELL, Ramon Humberto, Kilometro Doce y Medio, Carretera Sur, Managua, Nicaragua; DOB 17

Oct 1959; POB San Juan de Limay, Esteli, Nicaragua; nationality Nicaragua; Gender Male; National ID No. 1641710590000J (Nicaragua) (individual) [NICARAGUA].

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(iii) of E.O. 13851, for being an official of the Government of Nicaragua or having served as an official of the Government of Nicaragua at any time on or after January 10, 2007.

Dated: January 10, 2022.

Bradley T. Smith,

Deputy Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of the Treasury.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Requesting Comments on Forms CT-1 and CT-1X

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Internal Revenue Service, 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. The IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form CT-1, Employer's Annual Railroad Retirement Tax Return, and Form CT-1X, Adjusted Employer's Annual Railroad Retirement Tax Return or Claim for Refund.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before March 15, 2022 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Andres Garcia, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224. You must reference the information collection's title, form number, reporting or record-keeping requirement number, and OMB number in your comment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Jon Callahan, (737) 800-7639, at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or through the internet at jon.r.callahan@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The IRS is currently seeking comments concerning the following information collection tools, reporting, and record-keeping requirements:

Title: Railroad Retirement Tax Act (Forms CT-1 and CT-1X).

OMB Number: 1545-0001.

Form Number: Forms CT-1 and CT-1X.

Abstract: Form CT-1 is used by railroad employers to report taxes imposed by the Railroad Retirement Tax Act (RRTA) and claim eligible employer tax credits. The IRS uses the information to ensure that the employer has paid the correct tax. Form CT-1X is used to correct previously filed Forms CT-1.

Current Actions: There are changes to the existing collection: The IRS has significantly revised the 2021 Forms CT-1 and CT-1X to allow for the reporting of new and extended employment tax credits allowed by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2, sections 9501, 9641, and 9651. The changes to the forms will result in an estimated burden increase of 11,534 hours.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations, not-for-profit institutions, and state, local or tribal governments.

Estimated Number of Responses: 2,400.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 26 hours, 5 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 62,589.

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: January 10, 2022.

Jon R. Callahan,

Tax Analyst.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Debt Management Advisory Committee Meeting

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. 2, 10(a)(2), that a meeting will take place via conference call on February 1, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. of the following debt management advisory committee: Treasury Borrowing Advisory Committee.

At this meeting, the Treasury is seeking advice from the Committee on topics related to the economy, financial markets, Treasury financing, and debt management. Following the working session, the Committee will present a written report of its recommendations. The meeting will be closed to the public, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. 2, 10(d) and Public Law 103-202, 202(c)(1)(B)(31 U.S.C. 3121 note).

This notice shall constitute my determination, pursuant to the authority placed in heads of agencies by 5 U.S.C. app. 2, 10(d) and vested in me by Treasury Department Order No. 101-05, that the meeting will consist of discussions and debates of the issues presented to the Committee by the Secretary of the Treasury and the making of recommendations of the Committee to the Secretary, pursuant to Public Law 103-202, 202(c)(1)(B). Thus, this information is exempt from disclosure under that provision and 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3)(B). In addition, the meeting is concerned with information that is exempt from disclosure under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(A). The public interest requires that such meetings be closed to the public because the Treasury Department requires frank and full advice from representatives of the financial community prior to making its final decisions on major financing operations. Historically, this advice has been offered by debt management advisory committees established by the several major segments of the financial community. When so utilized, such a committee is recognized to be an advisory committee under 5 U.S.C. app. 2, 3.

Although the Treasury's final announcement of financing plans may not reflect the recommendations provided in reports of the Committee, premature disclosure of the Committee's deliberations and reports would be likely to lead to significant financial speculation in the securities market. Thus, this meeting falls within the exemption covered by 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(A).

The Office of Debt Management is responsible for maintaining records of debt management advisory committee meetings and for providing annual reports setting forth a summary of Committee activities and such other matters as may be informative to the public consistent with the policy of 5 U.S.C. 552(b). The Designated Federal Officer or other responsible agency official who may be contacted for additional information is Fred Pietrangeli, Director for Office of Debt Management (202) 622-1876.

Dated: January 11, 2022.

Frederick E. Pietrangeli,

Director (for Office of Debt Management).

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Dependency and Indemnity Compensation Cost of Living Adjustments

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As required by the "Veterans Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2021," the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is hereby giving notice of Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA) in certain benefit rates. These COLAs affect the Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) program. The rate of the adjustment is tied to the increase in Social Security benefits effective December 1, 2021, as announced by the Social Security Administration (SSA). SSA has announced an increase of 5.9%.

DATES: The increases in amounts became effective December 1, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Klusman, Lead Program Analyst, Pension and Fiduciary Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, Telephone (202) 632-8862. (This is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the provisions of Public Law 117-45, VA is required to increase, effective December 1, 2021, the benefit rates of the DIC program by the same percentage as increases in the benefit amounts payable under title II of the Social Security Act. VA is required to publish a notice of the increased rates in the **Federal Register**.

SSA has announced a 5.9% COLA increase in Social Security benefits effective December 1, 2021. Therefore, applying the same percentage, the following increased rates and income limitations for the DIC program became effective December 1, 2021:

Dependency and Indemnity Compensation Monthly Payment Rates

DIC Payable to a Surviving Spouse—Veteran Death on or After January 1, 1993

Basic Monthly Rate: \$1,437.66.

If at the time of the Veteran's death, the Veteran was in receipt of or entitled to receive compensation for a service-connected disability rated totally disabling (including a rating based on individual unemployability) for a continuous period of at least 8 years immediately preceding death and the surviving spouse was married to the Veteran for those same 8 years, add: \$305.28.

For each dependent child under the age of 18, add: \$356.16.

If the surviving spouse is entitled to Aid and Attendance benefits, add \$356.16.

If the surviving spouse is entitled to Housebound benefits, add \$166.85.

If the surviving spouse has one or more children under the age of 18 on the award per 38 U.S.C. 1311(f), add the 2-year transitional benefit of \$306.00.

DIC Payable to a Surviving Spouse—Veteran Death Prior to January 1, 1993

Veteran paygrade	Amount payable
E-1(f)	\$1,437.66
E-2(f)	1,437.66
E-3(a, f)	1,437.66
E-4(f)	1,437.66
E-5(f)	1,437.66
E-6(f)	1,437.66
E-7(g)	1,487.35
E-8(g)	1,570.20
E-9(g)	1,637.64
E-9(b)	1,767.80
W-1(g)	1,518.14
W-2(g)	1,578.47
W-3(g)	1,624.62
W-4(g)	1,719.28
O-1(g)	1,518.14
O-2(g)	1,570.20
O-3(g)	1,677.86
O-4	1,778.43
O-5	1,957.12