

58943) announced that Taiwan, starting on November 1, 1997, would begin an ELVIS dual visa system test implementation phase. This test phase does not eliminate the requirement for a valid paper visa to accompany each shipment for entry into the United States.

As a result of successful use of the dual visa system, preparations are under way to move beyond the current dual system to the paperless ELVIS system with Taiwan. However, goods exempt from visa requirements will still require a proper and correct exempt certification.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements is requesting interested parties to submit comments on the elimination of the paper visa requirement for Taiwan and utilization of the ELVIS system exclusively. Comments must be received on or before August 10, 1998. Comments may be mailed to Troy H. Cribb, Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, room 3001, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C.553(a)(1).

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

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 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Title, Associated Forms, and OMB Number: Defense FAR Supplement Part 204, Administrative Matters, and related clauses at 252.204; DD Forms 2051 and 2051-1; OMB Number 0704-0225.

Type of Request: Extension.

Number of Respondents: 108,261.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 108,261.

Average Burden per Response: 0.60 hours.

Annual Burden Hours: 65,898.

Needs and Uses: This information collection requirement pertains to information that contractors must submit to DoD to request release of unclassified data that is not in the public domain, or to provide or request assignment of a contractor and Government entity (CAGE) code. This information is used by DoD to: (1) control unclassified data that is sensitive or otherwise inappropriate for release for the contractor's stated purpose; and, (2) support efficient data exchange among automated systems for contract award, contract administration, and contract payment by assigning a unique code to each contractor doing business with DoD. The Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS), at 204.404-70(a), prescribes the use of the clause at DFARS 252.204-7000, Disclosure of Information, when the contractor will have access to or generate unclassified information that may be sensitive and inappropriate to release to the public. This clause requires contractors to obtain contracting officer approval to release unclassified information outside of the contractor's organization unless the information is already in the public domain. In requesting such approval, the contractor must identify the specific information that will be released, the medium that will be used, and the purpose for the release. The Government reviews the information provided by the contractor to determine if it is sensitive or otherwise inappropriate for release for the stated purpose. DFARS 204.602-70 prescribes the use of the solicitation provision at 252.204-7001, Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) Code Reporting, when CAGE codes for prospective offerors are not available to contracting officers. The provision requires an offeror to submit as part of its offer either a previously assigned CAGE code, or to ask the contracting officer to request a code from the Defense Logistics Service Center. In the latter case, the Government will obtain a CAGE code for the offeror, if it is selected for award, using the procedures at DFARS 204.7202-1.

Affected Public: Business or Other For-Profit; Not-For-Profit Institutions.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondents Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. Peter N. Weiss.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Weiss at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room

10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.

Dated: June 2, 1998.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

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Proposed Collection; Comment Request Entitled Cost or Pricing Data Requirements and Information Other Than Cost or Pricing Data

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0013).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Cost or Pricing Data Requirements and Information Other Than Cost or Pricing Data. The clearance currently expires on September 30, 1998.

DATES: Comments may be submitted on or before August 10, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeremy Olson, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-3221.

ADDRESSEES: Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.