
BACKGROUND: This is the sixth public hearing the Commission will hold during its 2012 report cycle to collect input from academic, industry, and government experts on national security implications of the U.S. bilateral trade and economic relationship with China. The June 14 hearing is aimed at sharpening our understanding of contemporary Chinese trade and investment challenges, and will include testimony on the implications of employing value added measurements of trade; the BIT and the U.S. investment regime; as well as case stories of U.S. companies’ China trade challenges. The hearing will be co-chaired by Commissioners Hon. William A. Reinsch and Daniel M. Slane. Any interested party may file a written statement by June 14, 2012, by mailing to the contact below. A portion of each panel will include a question and answer period between the Commissioners and the witnesses.

DATES: Location, Date and Time: 562 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Thursday, June 14, 2012, 8:45 a.m.–2:45 p.m. Eastern Time. A detailed agenda for the hearing will be posted to the Commission’s Web site at www.uscc.gov as soon as available. Please check our Web site at www.uscc.gov for possible changes to the hearing schedule. Reservations are not required to attend the hearing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public seeking further information concerning the hearing should contact Gavin Williams, 444 North Capitol Street NW., Suite 602, Washington DC 20001; phone: 202–624–1492, or via email at gwilliams@uscc.gov. Reservations are not required to attend the hearing.


Dated: June 11, 2012.


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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–0003]

Agency Information Collection (Application for Burial Benefits) Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The OMB submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before July 16, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov or to VA’s OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395–7316. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0003” in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632–7479, FAX (202) 632–7634 or email denise.mclamb@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0003.”

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:


OMB Control Number: 2900–0003.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Claimants complete VA Form 21–530 to apply for burial benefits, including transportation for deceased veterans. VA will use the information collected to determine the veteran’s eligibility for burial benefits. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on December 5, 2008, at pages 74231–74232.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 110,000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 22 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 300,000.

Dated: June 11, 2012.

By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb, Program Analyst, Enterprise Records Service.

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