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**United States
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Semiannual Regulatory Agenda

UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY (USIA)

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Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions

AGENCY: United States Information Agency.

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: This agenda announces the proposed regulatory actions that the United States Information Agency (USIA) plans for the next 12 months. USIA's purpose in publishing this agenda is to allow interested persons an opportunity to have more comprehensive documentation of USIA's regulatory plans and to provide a systematic means of monitoring regulatory activity in USIA. None of the

regulations listed in the agenda are considered major under Executive Order 12866 "Regulatory Planning and Review."

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Proposed Rule Stage

3866. • AU PAIRS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Unfunded Mandates: Undetermined

Legal Authority: 8 USC 1101(a)(15)(J); 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1258; 22 USC 1431 to 1442; 22 USC 2451 to 2460; Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1977; EO 12048, March 27, 1978; USIA Delegation Order No. 85.5

CFR Citation: 22 CFR 514.31

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The agency intends to amend existing regulations governing its au pair program to enhance and further define selection, screening, and placement procedures.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/00/97	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY (USIA)

Final Rule Stage

3867. REQUESTS FOR WAIVER OF THE TWO-YEAR HOME-COUNTRY PHYSICAL PRESENCE REQUIREMENT

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 8 USC 1101(a)(15)(J); 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1258; 22 USC 1431 to 1442; 22 USC 2451 to 2460; Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1977; EO 12048, March 27, 1978; USIA Delegation Order No. 85.5

CFR Citation: 22 CFR 514.44

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The agency is promulgating a proposed rule that would amend existing regulations set forth at 22 CFR

514.44. These amendments would reduce the number of waiver requests mandatorily referred to the agency's internal waiver review board. Further, these proposed amendments would standardize the supporting documentations and procedures relating to waiver requests made by interested U.S. Government agencies and departments on behalf of foreign medical graduates subject to the return to the home-country requirement (section 212(e)).

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/05/96	61 FR 46745

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM Comment Period End	11/05/96	
Final Action	06/00/97	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: State, Local, Federal

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UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY (USIA)

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3868. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS; THE EXCHANGE VISITOR PROGRAM

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Unfunded Mandates: Undetermined

Legal Authority: 8 USC 1101(a)(15)(J); 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1258; 22 USC 1431

to 1442; 22 USC 2451 to 2460; Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1977; EO 12048 of March 27, 1978; USIA Delegation Order No. 85.5 (50 FR 27393)

CFR Citation: 22 CFR 514.14(c)

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Agency issued a final rule on March 19, 1993, which included a requirement that all exchange visitors and their spouses and dependents on J visas have insurance

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to cover themselves for sickness and accidents, effective September 1, 1994. In response to concerns raised by the public, the Agency is amending the types of insurance allowed under the Exchange Visitor Program regulations.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	07/07/94	59 FR 34760
Next Action	Undetermined	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: State, Local, Federal

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3869. • PRIVACY ACT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Priority: Info./Admin./Other

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 5 USC 552

CFR Citation: 22 CFR 505

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This document updates and replaces the Agency's prior regulation implementing the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended. The update and replacement was made necessary by changes during USIA's reorganization and realignment of functions and responsibilities when the Agency changed names and again when the Agency began to reinvent itself in response to government downsizing.

The Agency's regulation had not been updated since 1975 and changes in

nomenclature and differences in processing Privacy Act requests necessitated these changes. The changes primarily update the definitions, the processes for receiving and handling requests, and to whom to send requests for Privacy Act records. It also better explains the exemptions that the U.S. Information Agency is allowed to use and routine uses.

Timetable: Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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