

information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact Rebekah Dorr, Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, 1100 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information 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 of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of This Information Collection

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Emergency revision of a previously approved collection, with change; comments requested.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* COPS Application Attachment to SF-424.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the department sponsoring the collection:* None. U.S. Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Law enforcement agencies and other public and private entities that apply for COPS Office grants or cooperative agreements will be asked to complete the COPS Application Attachment to SF-424. The COPS Application Attachment to SF-424 is the result of a COPS Office business process reengineering effort aimed at standardization as required under the grant streamlining requirements of Public Law 106-107, the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999, as well as the President's Management Agenda E-grants Initiative. This form

streamlined application forms across all COPS Office programs and reduced the burden on applicants due to the applicant's ability to use the same form for multiple programs, thus reducing the need for applicant's to learn how to complete multiple differing forms.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply:* It is estimated that 16,200 respondents annually will complete the form within 10 hours.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* There are an estimated 162,000 total annual burden hours associated with this collection.

If additional information is required contact: Lynn Bryant, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Patrick Henry Building, Suite 1600, 601 D Street, NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: February 23, 2009.

Lynn Bryant,

*Department Clearance Officer, PRA,
Department of Justice.*

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Foreign Claims Settlement Commission

[OMB Number 1105-NEW]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comments Requested

ACTION: 60-Day Emergency Notice of Information Collection Under Review: Collection of Information on Claims for Compensation for Physical and Emotional Injury, Death, and Commercial Claims Against the Government of Libya and Referred to the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission by the Department of State Legal Adviser.

The Department of Justice, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission (Commission), will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with emergency review procedures of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. OMB approval has been requested by March 20, 2009. The proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. If granted, the emergency approval is only valid for

180 days. Comments should be directed to OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20503. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until April 28, 2009.

During the first 60 days of this same review period, a regular review of this information collection is also being undertaken. All comments and suggestions, or questions regarding additional information, including obtaining a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, should be directed to Judith Lock, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, Department of Justice, 600 E Street, NW., Suite 6002, Washington DC 20579, or by facsimile (202) 616-6993.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information 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 of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of information collection:* New Collection.

(2) *The title of the form/collection:* Claims of U.S. Nationals Against Libya.

(3) *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the department sponsoring the collection:* Form Number: FCSC 1-09. Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, Department of Justice.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Individuals and Corporate Entities. Other: None. Information will be used as a basis for determining eligibility of U.S. nationals

with physical and emotional injury, death, and commercial claims for awards payable by the Department of Treasury out of funds provided pursuant to the U.S.-Libya Claims Settlement Agreement for certain terrorism-related claims against Libya, its agencies and instrumentalities, and officials and employees thereof, and referred to the Commission by the Department of State Legal Adviser.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply:* It is estimated that 200 respondents will complete the application in approximately two hours.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* The estimated total annual public burden associated with this application is 400 hours.

If additional information is required contact: Lynn Bryant, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Patrick Henry Building, Suite 1600, 601 D Street, NW., Washington, DC 20530.

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Lynn Bryant,

Department Clearance Officer, Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Federal Bureau of Prisons

Availability of the Finding of No Significant Impact for the Criminal Alien Requirement VIII

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Prisons.

ACTION: Notice; finding of no significant impact.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP) announces the availability of the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) concerning the Criminal Alien Requirement VIII (CAR VIII). The BOP is seeking flexibility in managing its current shortage of beds by contracting for those services with non-federal facilities to house federal inmates. This approach provides the BOP with flexibility to meet population capacity needs in a timely fashion, conform with federal law, and maintain fiscal responsibility, while successfully attaining the mission of the BOP. The BOP proposed to contract with a public and private corporation to house up to

3000 federal, low-security, adult male inmates, that are primarily non-U.S. citizen, criminal aliens in existing Contractor-Owned/Contractor-Operated facilities. The award would be granted to a responsible offeror whose offer is found to be most advantageous to the Government. One existing facility has been offered in response to the BOP's solicitation for services. The one response provided a total of 2,567 beds. Environmental impacts of the facility were evaluated in a Environmental Assessment (EA). The EA evaluated the full effects of the available 2,567 inmate beds. Environmental impacts of this facility have been evaluated in an EA provided by the Offeror.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard A. Cohn, Chief, Capacity Planning and Site Selection Branch, Federal Bureau of Prisons, 320 First Street, NW., Washington, DC 20534. Tel: 202-514-6470. Fax: 202-616-6024. E-mail: rcohn@bop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Pursuant to Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 and the Council of Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508), the EA prepared to contract with a public and private corporation to house approximately 2,500 Federal, low-security, adult male inmates, non-U.S. citizen, that are primarily criminal aliens in existing Contractor-Owned/Contractor-Operated facility. One existing facility, has been offered in response to the BOP's solicitation for services. The one response provided a total of 2,567 beds. The EA was published on January 14, 2009, for a 30-day comment period and prepared pursuant to NEPA.

Project Information

The BOP is responsible for carrying out judgements of the Federal courts whenever a period of confinement is ordered.

Subsequently, the mission of the BOP is to protect society by confining offenders in the controlled environments of prisons and community-based facilities that are safe, humane, cost-efficient, and appropriately secure, and that provide work and other self improvement opportunities to assist offenders in becoming law abiding citizens. Approximately 163,200 inmates are currently housed within the 114 federal correctional institutions that have levels of security ranging from minimum to maximum; a number exceeding the combined rated capacities of all federal

correctional facilities. Measures being taken to manage the growth of the federal inmate population include construction of new institutions, acquisition and adaptation of facilities originally intended for other purposes, expansion and improvement of existing correctional facilities, and expanded use of contract beds. Adding capacity through these various means allows the BOP to work toward the long-term goal of reduced system-wide overcrowding.

Alternatives Considered

The No Action alternative is defined as a decision not to proceed with the proposed action to award a contract to house the described population. Instead, the BOP would continue the current and long-standing arrangement whereby low-security, adult male, criminal alien inmate populations are housed in facilities owned and operated by the BOP as well as with State, local, and private residential reentry centers and in alternative confinement. Adoption of the No Action alternative would avoid the potential impacts associated with use of a Contractor-Owned/Contractor-Operated correctional facility to house low security, Federal inmates.

Under the No Action alternative, the beneficial impacts on local and regional economies resulting from operational budget expenditures at potentially vacant or underutilized correctional facility would not occur. Under the No Action alternative, no job growth would be experienced in Adams County, Mississippi. The No Action alternative does not meet the purpose and need of the BOP's Action alternative and would not address the demand for additional capacity to house the increasing federal inmate population. One location was evaluated in the EA. This facility could be awarded a number of inmates up to its capacity; potential impacts at this facility were evaluated based upon its maximum possible capacity. The facility and respective inmate populations evaluated were:

- Corrections Corporation of America, located in Adams County, Mississippi, evaluated for its maximum capacity under this action to provide 2,567 beds.

The impacts of the Action alternative on the environment were considered in an EA published on January 14, 2009 and prepared pursuant to NEPA. The EA evaluated the full effects of the potentially available 2,567 inmate beds. Review of the EA has led to a FONSI, as that phrase is defined pursuant to NEPA. The Action alternative would result in negligible impacts to public services of host communities. There would be no significant adverse impacts