

*Closed:* February 11, 2014, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications and/or proposals.

*Place:* National Human Genome Research Institute, Terrace Level Conference Room, 5635 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20852.

*Contact Person:* Rudy O. Pozzatti, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Branch, National Human Genome Research Institute, 5635 Fishers Lane, Suite 4076, MSC 9306, Rockville, MD 20852, (301) 402-0838, [pozatttr@mail.nih.gov](mailto:pozatttr@mail.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* National Advisory Council for Human Genome Research.

*Date:* May 19–20, 2014.

*Closed:* May 19, 2014, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications and/or proposals.

*Place:* National Human Genome Research Institute, Terrace Level Conference Room, 5635 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20852.

*Open:* May 19, 2014, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To discuss matters of program relevance.

*Place:* National Human Genome Research Institute, Terrace Level Conference Room, 5635 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20852.

*Closed:* May 19, 2014, 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications and/or proposals.

*Place:* National Human Genome Research Institute, Terrace Level Conference Room, 5635 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20852.

*Closed:* May 20, 2014, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications and/or proposals.

*Place:* National Human Genome Research Institute, Terrace Level Conference Room, 5635 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20852.

*Contact Person:* Rudy O. Pozzatti, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Branch, National Human Genome Research Institute, 5635 Fishers Lane, Suite 4076, MSC 9306, Rockville, MD 20852, (301) 402-0838, [pozatttr@mail.nih.gov](mailto:pozatttr@mail.nih.gov).

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: <http://www.genome.gov/11509849>, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.172, Human Genome Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: January 13, 2014.

**David Clary,**

*Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute on Aging; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Aging Initial Review Group; Biological Aging Review Committee.

*Date:* February 6–7, 2014.

*Time:* 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* DoubleTree by Hilton Bethesda, 8120 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Bitu Nakhai, Ph.D., Scientific Review Branch, National Institute on Aging, Gateway Bldg., 2C212, 7201 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814, 301-402-7701, [nakhaib@nia.nih.gov](mailto:nakhaib@nia.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Aging Initial Review Group; Clinical Aging Review Committee.

*Date:* March 6–7, 2014.

*Time:* 5:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Doubletree by Hilton, 8120 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, MD.

*Contact Person:* Alicja L. Markowska, Ph.D., DSC, National Institute on Aging, National Institutes of Health, Gateway Building 2C212, 7201 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-496-9666, [markowska@nia.nih.gov](mailto:markowska@nia.nih.gov).

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Dated: January 13, 2014.

**Melanie J. Gray,**

*Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

[Docket No. DHS-2011-0108]

RIN 1601-ZA11

### Identification of Foreign Countries Whose Nationals Are Eligible To Participate in the H-2A and H-2B Nonimmigrant Worker Programs

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under Department of Homeland Security (DHS) regulations, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) may approve petitions for H-2A and H-2B nonimmigrant status only for nationals of countries that the Secretary of Homeland Security, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, has designated by notice published in the **Federal Register**. That notice must be renewed each year. This notice announces that the Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation with the Secretary of State, is identifying 63 countries whose nationals are eligible to participate in the H-2A and H-2B programs for the coming year.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* This notice is effective January 18, 2014, and shall be without effect at the end of one year after January 18, 2014.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Francis Cissna, Office of Policy, Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20528, (202) 447-3835.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Background:* Generally, USCIS may approve H-2A and H-2B petitions for nationals of only those countries that the Secretary of Homeland Security, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, has designated as participating countries. Such designation must be published as a notice in the **Federal Register** and expires after one year. USCIS, however, may allow a national from a country not on the list to be named as a beneficiary of an H-2A or H-2B petition based on a determination that such participation is in the U.S. interest. See 8 CFR 214.2(h)(5)(i)(F) and 8 CFR 214.2(h)(6)(i)(E).

In designating countries to include on the list, the Secretary of Homeland Security, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, will take into account factors including, but not limited to: (1) The country's cooperation with respect to issuance of travel documents for citizens, subjects, nationals, and residents of that country who are subject to a final order of removal; (2) the number of final and unexecuted orders

of removal against citizens, subjects, nationals, and residents of that country; (3) the number of orders of removal executed against citizens, subjects, nationals, and residents of that country; and (4) such other factors as may serve the U.S. interest. *See* 8 CFR 214.2(h)(5)(i)(F)(1)(i) and 8 CFR 214.2(h)(6)(i)(E)(1).

In December 2008, DHS published in the **Federal Register** two notices, "Identification of Foreign Countries Whose Nationals Are Eligible to Participate in the H-2A Visa Program," and "Identification of Foreign Countries Whose Nationals Are Eligible to Participate in the H-2B Visa Program," which designated 28 countries whose nationals are eligible to participate in the H-2A and H-2B programs. *See* 73 FR 77,043 (Dec. 18, 2008); 73 FR 77,729 (Dec. 19, 2008). The notices ceased to have effect on January 17, 2010 and January 18, 2010, respectively. *See* 8 CFR 214.2(h)(5)(i)(F)(2) and 8 CFR 214.2(h)(6)(i)(E)(3). To allow for the continued operation of the H-2A and H-2B programs, the Secretary of Homeland Security, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, has published subsequent notices on an annual basis. *See* 75 FR 2,879 (Jan. 19, 2010) (adding 11 countries); 76 FR 2,915 (Jan. 18, 2011) (removing Indonesia and adding 15 countries); 77 FR 2,558 (Jan. 18, 2012) (adding 5 countries); 78 FR 4,154 (Jan. 18, 2013) (adding 1 country).

The Secretary of Homeland Security has determined, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, that 59 countries previously designated in the January 18, 2013 notice continue to meet the standards identified in that notice for eligible countries and therefore should remain designated as countries whose nationals are eligible to participate in the H-2A and H-2B programs. Further, the Secretary of Homeland Security, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, has determined that it is now appropriate to add 4 countries whose nationals are eligible to participate in the H-2A and H-2B programs. This determination is made taking into account the four factors identified above. The Secretary of Homeland Security also considered other pertinent factors including, but not limited to, evidence of past usage of the H-2A and H-2B programs by nationals of the country to be added, as well as evidence relating to the economic impact on particular U.S. industries or regions resulting from the addition or continued non-inclusion of specific countries. In consideration of all of the above, this notice designates for the first time Austria, Italy, Panama, and Thailand as countries whose nationals are eligible to

participate in the H-2A and H-2B programs.

#### **Designation of Countries Whose Nationals Are Eligible To Participate in the H-2A and H-2B Nonimmigrant Worker Programs**

Pursuant to the authority provided to the Secretary of Homeland Security under sections 214(a)(1), 215(a)(1), and 241 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(a)(1), 1185(a)(1), and 1231), I am designating, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, nationals from the following countries to be eligible to participate in the H-2A and H-2B nonimmigrant worker programs:

Argentina  
Australia  
Austria  
Barbados  
Belize  
Brazil  
Bulgaria  
Canada  
Chile  
Costa Rica  
Croatia  
Dominican Republic  
Ecuador  
El Salvador  
Estonia  
Ethiopia  
Fiji  
Grenada  
Guatemala  
Haiti  
Honduras  
Hungary  
Iceland  
Ireland  
Israel  
Italy  
Jamaica  
Japan  
Kiribati  
Latvia  
Lithuania  
Macedonia  
Mexico  
Moldova  
Montenegro  
Nauru  
The Netherlands  
Nicaragua  
New Zealand  
Norway  
Panama  
Papua New Guinea  
Peru  
The Philippines  
Poland  
Romania  
Samoa  
Serbia  
Slovakia  
Slovenia  
Solomon Islands

South Africa  
South Korea  
Spain  
Switzerland  
Thailand  
Tonga  
Turkey  
Tuvalu  
Ukraine  
United Kingdom  
Uruguay  
Vanuatu

This notice does not affect the status of aliens who currently hold valid H-2A or H-2B nonimmigrant status. Persons holding such status, however, will be affected by this notice at the time they seek an extension of stay in H-2 classification, or a change of status from one H-2 status to another. Similarly, persons holding nonimmigrant status other than H-2 status are not affected by this notice unless they seek a change of status to H-2 status.

Nothing in this notice limits the authority of the Secretary of Homeland Security or his or her designee or any other federal agency to invoke against any foreign country or its nationals any other remedy, penalty, or enforcement action available by law.

**Jeh Charles Johnson,**  
*Secretary.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

### **Coast Guard**

[USCG-2013-0951]

#### **Information Collection Request to Office of Management and Budget**

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Sixty-day notice requesting comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the U.S. Coast Guard intends to submit an Information Collection Request (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), requesting approval of a revision to the following collection of information: 1625-0008, Regattas and Marine Parades. Our ICR describes the information we seek to collect from the public. Before submitting this ICR to OIRA, the Coast Guard is inviting comments as described below.

**DATES:** Comments must reach the Coast Guard on or before March 18, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by Coast Guard docket