

IC No.	Item	Hours (a)	Responses (yr) (b)	Burden (hrs/yr) (c) (a × b)	Rate (\$/hr) (d)	Total cost burden (e) (c × d)
2 .....	Petition to Restore the Benefit of a Prior-Filed Provisional Application under 37 CFR 1.7(a)(1)(ii).	1	250	250	410.00	102,500.00
	Total .....		500	500	.....	205,000.00

*Estimated Total Annual (Non-hour) Respondent Cost Burden:* \$748,064.50, based on filing fees and postage costs.

**Filing Fees**

There are filing fees associated with this collection. The items with filing fees are listed in the table below.

IC No.	Item	Estimated annual responses (a)	Filing fee (\$) (b)	Total non-hour cost burden (\$) (a) × (b) = (c)
1 .....	Grantable Petition to Restore the Right of Priority under 37 CFR 1.55(b)(2) ...	190	\$1,700.00	\$323,000.00
2 .....	Grantable Petition to Restore the Right of Priority under 37 CFR 1.55(b)(2)(small entity).	60	850.00	51,000.00
3 .....	Grantable Petition to Restore the Benefit of a Prior-Filed Provisional Application under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(1)(ii).	190	1,700.00	323,000.00
4 .....	Grantable Petition to Restore the Benefit of a Prior-Filed Provisional Application under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(1)(ii) (small entity).	60	850.00	51,000.00
	Total .....	500	.....	748,000.00

The USPTO estimates that the total non-hour cost burden associated with the filing fees for this collection will be \$748,000.00

**Postage Costs**

Customers may incur postage costs when submitting *some of* the items covered by this collection to the USPTO by mail. The USPTO expects that approximately 98 percent of the responses in this collection will be submitted electronically. Of the remaining 2 percent, the vast majority (98%) will be submitted by mail, for a total of 10 mailed submissions. The average first class USPS postage cost for a one-pound mailed submission in a flat-rate envelope is \$6.45. The USPTO estimates that the postage costs for the mailed submissions in this collection will total \$64.50.

Therefore, the USPTO estimates that the total annual (non-hour) cost burden for this collection, in the form of fees and postage is \$748,064.50 per year.

**IV. Request for Comments**

Comments are invited on:

- (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility;
- (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours

and cost) of the proposed collection of information;

(c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, *e.g.*, the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 16th, 2016.

**Marcie Lovett,**

*Records Management Division Director, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

**Defense Science Board; Notice of Advisory Committee Meetings**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice of Advisory Committee Meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Defense Science Board (DSB) and the 2016 DSB Summer Study Task Force on Capabilities for Constrained Military Operations (“the Summer Study Task Force”) will meet in closed session.

**DATES:** August 15–19 and 22–24, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; August 25, 2016, from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and August 26, 2016, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Arnold and Mabel Beckman Center, 100 Academy Drive, Irvine, CA 92617.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Debra Rose, Executive Officer, Defense Science Board, 3140 Defense Pentagon, Room 3B888A, Washington, DC 20301–3140, via email at *debra.a.rose20.civ@mail.mil*, or via phone at (703) 571–0084.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

These meetings are being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102–3.150.

Due to circumstances beyond the control of the Designated Federal Officer and the Department of Defense, the Defense Science Board (DSB) was unable to provide the 15-calendar day public notification of subcommittee

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Due to circumstances beyond the control of the Designated Federal Officer and the Department of Defense, the Defense Science Board (DSB) was unable to provide the 15-calendar day public notification of subcommittee meetings of the 2016 DSB Summer Study Task Force on Capabilities for Constrained Military Operations scheduled for August 15 through August 19, 2016; August 22 through August 24, 2016; August 25, 2016; and August 26, 2016, at the Arnold and Mabel Beckman Center, 100 Academy Drive, Irvine, California. Accordingly, the Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150(b), waives the 15-calendar day notification requirement for each meeting—August 15 through August 19, 2016; August 22 through August 24, 2016; August 25, 2016; and August 26, 2016.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. The objective of the 2016 Summer Study on Capabilities for Constrained Military Operations is to assess the military planning, shaping, and operational activities that address potential threats to U.S. interests and strive to establish stability in critical regions of the world that do not rise to the level of full-scale military operations. Areas of consideration will include an assessment of current planning processes within Department of Defense (DoD) Policy, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Combatant Commands, and the Intelligence Community with a focus on the period before significant hostilities begin.

In accordance with section 10(d) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102–2.155, the DoD has determined that the DSB meetings will be closed to the public. Specifically, the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), in consultation with the DoD Office of General Counsel, has determined in writing that all sessions will be closed to the public because matters covered by 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) will be considered. The determination is based on the consideration that it is expected that discussions throughout will involve classified matters of

national security concern. Such classified material is so intertwined with the unclassified material and non-proprietary information that it cannot reasonably be segregated into separate discussions without defeating the effectiveness and meaning of the overall meetings. To permit the meetings to be open to the public would preclude discussion of such matters and would greatly diminish the ultimate utility of the DSB's findings or recommendations to the Secretary of Defense and to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics.

In accordance with section 10(a)(3) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140, interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the Defense Science Board at any time regarding its mission or in response to the stated agenda of a planned meetings. Individuals submitting a written statement may submit their statement to the Designated Federal Official at the address detailed in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**; at any point, however, if a written statement is not received by August 24, 2016, then it may not be provided to or considered by the Defense Science Board. The Designated Federal Official will review all submissions with the Defense Science Board Chairperson, and ensure they are provided to members of the Defense Science Board before its final deliberations on August 26, 2016.

Dated: August 17, 2016.

**Aaron Siegel,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED–2016–ICCD–0070]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Guaranty Agency Financial Report

**AGENCY:** Federal Student Aid (FSA), Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing an extension of an existing information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before September 21, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** To access and review all the documents related to the information

collection listed in this notice, please use <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching the Docket ID number ED–2016–ICCD–0070. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Room 2E–347, Washington, DC 20202–4537.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Beth Grebelding, 202–377–4018.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

*Title of Collection:* Guaranty Agency Financial Report.

*OMB Control Number:* 1845–0026.

*Type of Review:* An extension of an existing information collection.