as a de facto method of revoking an exemption?

• On average, how many employees are involved and how many approvals are necessary to complete an initial or amended filing?
• Does your bank have a review and approval process involving senior management to evaluate the conclusions reached in the determination for eligibility of an exempt person?
• Does your bank have a review and approval process involving senior management for amending or revoking the eligibility of an exempt person? On average, how long does the review process take and how many approvals are necessary?

(3) Annual Review

• On average, how often does your bank review the eligibility of an exempt person?
• On average, how many accounts where the accountholder is an exempt person does your bank review at least annually?
• Does your bank maintain a monitoring system to comply with the DOEP reporting requirements?
• Does your bank review the monitoring system at least once a year?
• On average, how long does it take to review the monitoring system and how many approvals are necessary?
• Does your bank maintain records of the annual review?
• On average, how long does it take to prepare and maintain records of the review?
• Does your bank have a review and approval process involving senior management to evaluate the conclusions reached in the annual review of eligibility?
• On average, how long does the annual review process take and how many approvals are necessary?

(4) Monitoring System

• Does your bank maintain a separate monitoring system to track designation of exempt persons for reasons other than to comply with the reporting requirements under 31 CFR 1020.315?
• Does your bank maintain a separate monitoring system to identify suspicious activity associated with the accounts of designated exempt persons?
• Does your bank have a review and approval process involving senior management to evaluate the conclusions reached in the determination of whether a SAR must be filed for an exempt account? On average, how long does the review process take and how many approvals are necessary?

(e) General Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and 5) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Office of Foreign Assets Control
Notice of OFAC Sanctions Action

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing the names of one or more persons that have been placed on OFAC’s Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List based on OFAC’s determination that one or more applicable legal criteria were satisfied. All property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of these persons are blocked, and U.S. persons are generally prohibited from engaging in transactions with them.

DATES: See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for effective date(s).


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

The Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List and additional information concerning OFAC sanctions programs are available on OFAC’s website (https://www.treasury.gov/ofac).

Notice of OFAC Action(s)

On January 15, 2021, OFAC determined that the property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of the following persons are blocked under the relevant sanctions authority listed below.

Individual

1. ALVAREZ CASAS, Lazaro Alberto, Cuba; DOB 1963; Gender Male (individual) [GLOMAG]. Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(C)(1) of Executive Order 13818 of December 20, 2017, "Blocking the Property of Persons Involved in Serious Human Rights Abuse or Corruption," 82 FR 60839, 3 CFR, 2018 Comp., p. 399, (E.O. 13818) for being a foreign person who is or has been a leader or official of an entity, including any government entity, that has engaged in, or whose members have engaged in, serious human rights abuse relating to the leader’s or official’s tenure.


Andrea M. Gacki,
Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of the Treasury.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Limitations on Credit or Refund

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Internal Revenue Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.