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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: (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) 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 (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: April 2, 2021.

Chakinna B. Clemons,
Supervisory Tax Analyst.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Requesting Comments on Membership Application for Internal Revenue Service Advisory Council (IRSAC)

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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The IRS is soliciting

comments concerning membership application for Internal Revenue Service Advisory Council.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before June 7, 2021 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Kinna Brewington, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224. You must reference the information collection's title, form number, reporting or record-keeping requirement number, and OMB number in your comment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Jon Callahan, (737) 800-7639, at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or through the internet at jon.r.callahan@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Currently, the IRS is seeking comments concerning the following information collection tools, reporting, and record-keeping requirements:

Title: Internal Revenue Service Advisory Council Membership Application.

OMB Number: 1545-1791.

Form Number: 12339.

Abstract: The Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) requires that committee membership be fairly balanced in terms of points of view represented and the functions to be performed. As a result, members of specific committees often have both the expertise and professional skills that parallel the program responsibilities of their sponsoring agencies. Selection of committee members is based on the FACA's requirements and the potential member's background and qualifications. Therefore, an application is needed to ascertain the desired skills set for membership. The IRS will also use the information to perform federal income tax, background, and practitioner checks as required of all members and applicants to the Committee or Council. Information provided will be used to qualify or disqualify individuals to serve as members.

Current Actions: There are changes to the existing collection. The Advisory Committee on Tax Exempt and Government Entities and the Information Reporting Program Advisory Committee ceased operating as separate IRS advisory committees and combined with the Internal Revenue Service Advisory Council. Form 12339-

B, Form 12339-C and Form 13775 are obsolete and have been removed from the collection.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 125.

Estimated Time per Response: 1 hr. 30 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 187.5.

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Approved: April 5, 2021.

Chakinna B. Clemons,
Supervisory Tax Analyst.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Secretary

List of Countries Requiring Cooperation With an International Boycott

In accordance with section 999(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986,

the Department of the Treasury is publishing a current list of countries which require or may require participation in, or cooperation with, an international boycott (within the meaning of section 999(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).

On the basis of the best information currently available to the Department of the Treasury, the following countries require or may require participation in, or cooperation with, an international boycott (within the meaning of section 999(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).

Iraq
Kuwait
Lebanon
Libya
Qatar
Saudi Arabia
Syria
Yemen

The UAE has been removed from this list due to issuance of Federal Decree-Law No. 4 of 2020, which repealed its law mandating a boycott of Israel, and the subsequent actions that the UAE government has taken to implement the new policy.

Kevin Nichols,

Acting International Tax Counsel (Tax Policy).

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UNITED STATES INSTITUTE OF PEACE

Notice of Board of Directors Meeting

AGENCY: United States Institute of Peace (USIP) and Endowment of the United States Institute of Peace.

ACTION: Announcement of meeting.

SUMMARY: Quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors: Chair's Report; Vice Chair's Report; President's Report; Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Endowment of the U.S. Institute of Peace; USIP Updates: *Afghanistan*; *Myanmar*; and *Central America*; Approval of Minutes; Reports from USIP Building, Program, Audit & Finance, and Security Committees.

DATES: Friday, April 16, 2021 (10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.).

ADDRESSES: Virtual Board Meeting Information: Join by video: <https://usip-org.zoomgov.com/j/1611888954?pwd=YjVDMUctCTmNHQU9CWXdIM3cvR0RUZz09>; Dial-in option: +1-646-828-7666; Meeting ID: 161 188 8954/Passcode: 121110.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Megan O'Hare, 202-429-414, mohare@usip.org.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Open Session—Portions may be closed pursuant to Subsection (c) of Section 552(b) of Title 5, United States Code, as provided in subsection 1706(h)(3) of the United States Institute of Peace Act, Public Law 98-525.

Authority: 22 U.S.C. 4605(h)(3).

Dated: April 1, 2021.

Megan O'Hare,
Chief of Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0092]

Agency Information Collection Activity: Veteran Readiness and Employment (VR&E) Questionnaire (Chapter 31, Title 38 U.S. Code)

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed reinstatement of a previously approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before June 7, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M33), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420 or email to nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0092" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maribel Aponte, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics (008), 1717 H Street NW,

Washington, DC 20006, (202) 266-4688 or email maribel.aponte@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0092" in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Authority: 38 U.S.C. 501(a), 38 U.S.C. 3102 and 38 U.S.C. 3106.

Title: Veteran Readiness and Employment (VR&E) Questionnaire.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0092.

Type of Review: Reinstatement of a previously approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 28-1902w is used by VA Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors (VRC) to gather the necessary information to determine entitlement during the initial evaluation process. Without this information, determination of entitlement to the maximum benefit to include counseling, education, and/or rehabilitation program may not be granted under 38 U.S.C. 3102, 38 U.S.C. 3106 and 38 U.S.C. 501(a).

Affected Public: Individuals and households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 94,500 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 45 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 126,000.

By direction of the Secretary.

Maribel Aponte,

VA PRA Clearance Officer, Office of Enterprise and Integration/Data Governance Analytics, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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