

operational priorities. Therefore, the De Minimis Working Group met on an aggressive schedule to develop proposed recommendations for the September 20, 2023, COAC meeting. Although the Cross-Border Recognition Working Group did not meet this quarter, it remains an active working group within the subcommittee and will resume meetings next quarter.

Meeting materials will be available by September 11, 2023, at: <https://www.cbp.gov/trade/stakeholder-engagement/coac/coac-public-meetings>.

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Executive Director, Office of Trade Relations.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Information Collection Request to Office of Management and Budget

AGENCY: Science and Technology Directorate (S&T), Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

ACTION: Sixty-Day notice requesting comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) intends to submit an Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), requesting approval for the collection of information. Our ICR describes the information we seek to collect from the public. Before submitting this ICR to OIRA, S&T is inviting comments as described below.

DATES: Comments must reach S&T on or before October 30, 2023.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by DHS docket number DHS-2023-0031 SAFETY Act to S&T using the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <https://www.regulations.gov>. See the "Public participation and request for comments" portion of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for further instructions on submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

DHS/S&T/COMPONENT: S&T/OIC/SAFETY Act.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Participation and Request for Comments

This notice relies on the authority of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*, chapter 35, as amended. An ICR is an application to OIRA seeking the approval, extension, or renewal of a S&T collection of information (Collection). The ICR contains information describing the Collection's purpose, the Collection's likely burden on the affected public, an explanation of the necessity of the Collection, and other important information describing the Collection. There is one ICR for each Collection.

S&T invites comments on whether this ICR should be granted based on the Collection being necessary for the proper performance of Departmental functions. In particular, S&T would appreciate comments addressing: (1) The practical utility of the Collection; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden of the Collection; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of information subject to the Collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the Collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency.

In response to your comments, we may revise this ICR. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

We encourage you to respond to this request by submitting comments and related materials. Comments must contain the OMB Control Number of the ICR and the docket number of this request, DHS-2023-0031 SAFETY Act, and must be received by October 30, 2023.

Submitting Comments

We encourage you to submit comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <https://www.regulations.gov>. If your material cannot be submitted using <https://www.regulations.gov>, contact the person in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document for alternate instructions. Documents mentioned in this notice, and all public comments, are in our online docket at <https://www.regulations.gov> and can be viewed by following that website's instructions. Additionally, if you go to the online docket and sign up for email alerts, you will be notified when comments are posted.

We accept anonymous comments. All comments received will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov> and will include any personal information you have provided. For more about privacy and submissions in response to this document, see DHS's eRulemaking System of Records notice (85 FR 14226, March 11, 2020).

Overview of This Information Collection Request

Title: Safety Act.

OMB Control Number: DHS-2023-0031 SAFETY Act.

Type of Information Collection: New.

Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the DHS sponsoring the collection: DHS-2023-0031 SAFETY Act, Science and Technology Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

Respondents: Individuals.

Total Estimated Number of Respondents: An estimated 330 respondents will take the survey.

Total Estimated Burden Time: 18,500 hours.

Frequency: Once.

Obligation to Respond: Voluntary.

Summary: S&T's mission is to deliver effective and innovative insight, methods, and solutions for the critical needs of the Homeland Security Enterprise. As the research and development (R&D) arm of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) focuses on providing the tools, technologies, and knowledge products the nation's Homeland Security Enterprise needs today and tomorrow. S&T constantly works to bridge industry and end-user communities around the nation. S&T's R&D focus areas cover DHS's core mission areas and use our network of industry, national laboratory and other partners seek solutions for capability gaps and define topics for future research. In order to work continuously to ensure that our programs are effective and meet our customers' needs, S&T seeks to obtain Office of Management and Budget approval of a generic clearance to collect qualitative feedback on our service delivery. By qualitative feedback, we mean, information that provides useful insights on perceptions and opinions, but are not statistical surveys that yield quantitative results that can be generalized to the population of study. This collection of information is necessary to enable the S&T programs to garner customer and stakeholder feedback in an efficient, timely manner, in accordance with our commitment to improving tools,

technologies, services and knowledge products. The information collected from our customers and stakeholders will help ensure that users have an effective, efficient, and satisfying experience with our programs. This feedback will provide insights into customer or stakeholder perceptions, experiences, and expectations, provide an early warning of issues with products or service, or focus attention on areas where communication, training or changes in operations might improve delivery of products or services. These collections will allow for ongoing, collaborative, and actionable communications between S&T and its customers and stakeholders. It will also allow feedback to contribute directly to the improvement of program management. Executive Order 12862 directs Federal agencies to provide service to the public that matches or exceeds the best service available in the private sector.

There is no cost to participants.

Gregg Piermarini,

Chief Information Officer, Science and Technology Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

[OMB Control Number 1615-0157]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Revision of a Currently Approved Collection: Online Request To Be a Supporter and Declaration of Financial Support

AGENCY: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: 60-Day notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment upon this proposed revision of a currently approved collection of information. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the information collection notice is published in the **Federal Register** to obtain comments regarding the nature of the information collection, the categories of respondents, the estimated burden (*i.e.* the time, effort, and resources used by the respondents to respond), the estimated cost to the

respondent, and the actual information collection instruments.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until November 13, 2023.

ADDRESSES: All submissions received must include the OMB Control Number 1615-0157 in the body of the letter, the agency name and Docket ID USCIS-2023-0004. Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking Portal website at <https://www.regulations.gov> under e-Docket ID number USCIS-2023-0004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: USCIS, Office of Policy and Strategy, Regulatory Coordination Division, Samantha Deshommes, Chief, telephone number (240) 721-3000 (This is not a toll-free number. Comments are not accepted via telephone message). Please note contact information provided here is solely for questions regarding this notice. It is not for individual case status inquiries. Applicants seeking information about the status of their individual cases can check Case Status Online, available at the USCIS website at <https://www.uscis.gov>, or call the USCIS Contact Center at 800-375-5283 (TTY 800-767-1833).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This notice seeks comment on the USCIS Form I-134A information collection package, which DHS uses in connection with certain parole processes. In January 2023, at DHS's request, the Office of Management and Budget approved this new collection in accordance with emergency procedures set forth at 5 CFR 1320.13. DHS uses this collection to implement processes through which nationals of certain countries and their immediate family members may request to come to the United States in a safe and orderly way. The collection is an outgrowth of USCIS Form I-134 (OMB Control Number 1615-0014), and has been used in connection with Uniting for Ukraine; a new parole process for certain Cubans,¹ Haitians,² and Nicaraguans,³ and Venezuelans;⁴ new family reunification parole processes for certain Colombians,⁵ Salvadorans,⁶ Guatemalans,⁷ and Hondurans;⁸ and

¹ 88 FR 1266 (Jan. 9, 2023); *see also* 88 FR 26329 (Apr. 28, 2023).

² 88 FR 1243 (Jan. 9, 2023); *see also* 26 FR 327 (Apr. 28, 2023).

³ 88 FR 1255 (Jan. 9, 2023).

⁴ 87 FR 63507 (Oct. 19, 2022); *see also* 88 FR 1279 (Jan. 9, 2023).

⁵ 88 FR 43591 (July 10, 2023).

⁶ 88 FR 43611 (July 10, 2023).

⁷ 88 FR 43581 (July 10, 2023).

⁸ 88 FR 43601 (July 10, 2023).

procedural changes to the previously established Cuban⁹ and Haitian¹⁰ Family Reunification Parole processes. The emergency processing activities associated with implementing these processes were necessary for multiple reasons, including to address the urgent humanitarian events transpiring in Ukraine, to prevent complications for the United States' ongoing efforts to engage hemispheric partners to increase their efforts to collaboratively manage and reduce irregular migration that could have arisen without timely action by the United States, and to avoid incentivizing irregular migration during a public comment period.

Under these processes, certain beneficiaries who are outside the United States and lack U.S. entry documents may be considered, on a case-by-case basis, for advance authorization to travel and a temporary period of parole for urgent humanitarian reasons or significant public benefit. To participate, eligible beneficiaries must:

- Have a supporter in the United States;
- Undergo and clear robust security vetting;
- Meet other eligibility criteria; and
- Warrant a favorable exercise of discretion.

Individuals participating in these processes must have a supporter in the United States who agrees to provide them with financial support for the duration of their parole in the United States. Prospective supporters submit a Form I-134A for each proposed parolee (beneficiary), including, if applicable, derivatives of the principal beneficiary, with USCIS through the USCIS online web portal to initiate the special parole or parole under the family reunification process. Form I-134A identifies and collects information on both the supporter and the beneficiary. The supporter must submit evidence establishing their income and assets and commit to provide financial support to the beneficiary for the duration of parole. A supporter filing under a family reunification parole process is also required to submit evidence establishing the family relationships between the principal beneficiary and all derivative beneficiaries. No fee is required to file Form I-134A. USCIS will perform background checks on the supporter and verify their financial information to ensure that the supporter is able to financially support the beneficiary. If the supporter's Form I-134A is confirmed, the beneficiary named in the Form I-134A will receive an email from

⁹ 88 FR 54639 (Aug. 11, 2023).

¹⁰ 88 FR 54635 (Aug. 11, 2023).