

- *Respondents*: Recipients of U.S. government funds appropriated to carry out the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR).

- *Estimated Number of Respondents*: 3,480.

- *Estimated Number of Responses*: 3,480.

- *Average Time per Response*: 20 hours per response.

- *Total Estimated Burden Time*: 68,750 hours.

- *Frequency*: Annually.

- *Obligation to Respond*: Mandatory.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.

- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

Abstract of Proposed Collection

The U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) was established through enactment of the United States Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Act (Pub. L. 108–25), as amended by the Tom Lantos and Henry J. Hyde United States Global Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Reauthorization Act (Pub. L. 110–293) (HIV/AIDS Leadership Act), as amended by the PEPFAR Stewardship and Oversight Act (Pub. L. 113–56), and as amended and reauthorized for a third time by the PEPFAR Extension Act (Pub. L. 115–305) to support the global response to HIV/AIDS. In order to improve program monitoring, PEPFAR added reporting of expenditures by program area to the current routine reporting of program results for the annual report. Data are collected from implementing partners in countries with PEPFAR programs using a standard tool (DS–4213) via an electronic web-based interface into which users upload data. These expenditures are analyzed by partner for all PEPFAR program areas.

These analyses then feed into partner and program reviews at the country level for monitoring and evaluation on an ongoing basis. Summaries of these data provide key information about program costs under PEPFAR on a global level. Applying expenditure results will improve strategic budgeting, identification of efficient means of delivering services, and accuracy in defining program targets; and will inform allocation of resources to ensure the program is accountable and using public funds for maximum impact.

Methodology

Data will continue to be collected in a web-based interface available to all partners receiving funds under PEPFAR. After implementing Expenditure Reporting since 2012, we learned that implementing partners (IPs) prefer the Microsoft Excel template based data collection process. The requirements in the Excel template have been reduced with IP input to only request critical information. By being able to download a template, prime IPs responsible to complete the submission are more effectively able to collaborate quickly with other key personnel and coordinate with their subrecipients to enter the data for the full amount of PEPFAR funding expended during the prior fiscal year. This approach also proves helpful where internet connectivity is not strong. After completing the Excel template, IPs upload the data to an automated system that further checks the data entered for quality and completeness. Automated checks reduce the time needed by IPs to complete the data cleaning process. Aggregate data is available in a central system for analysis.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 12180]

Determination Under Section 506(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 To Provide Military Assistance to Ukraine

ACTION: Determination.

SUMMARY: The State Department is publishing a Determination signed by the Secretary of State on August 1, 2022.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Antony J. Blinken, Secretary of State, signed the

following “Determination Under Section 506(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to Provide Military Assistance to Ukraine” on August 1, 2022. The State Department maintains the original document.

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by section 506(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (the “Act”) (22 U.S.C. 2318(a)(1)) and Presidential Delegation of Authority dated August 1, 2022, I hereby determine that:

- an unforeseen emergency exists which requires immediate military assistance to Ukraine; and

- the emergency requirement cannot be met under the authority of the Arms Export Control Act or any other provision of law.

I, therefore, pursuant to authority delegated to me by the President, direct the drawdown of up to \$550 million in defense articles and services of the Department of Defense, and military education and training, under the authority of section 506(a)(1) of the Act to provide assistance to Ukraine. The Department of State will coordinate implementation of this drawdown.

This determination shall be reported to the Congress and published in the **Federal Register**.

Joshua Paul,

Office Director, Office of Congressional & Public Affairs, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 12192]

Private Sector Participation in Domestic and International Events on Spaceflight Safety, Sustainability, and Emerging Markets in Outer Space

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of State seeks private sector participation in a series of domestic and international events promoting the safe and responsible exploration and use of outer. These events and the participation of the commercial space sector, academia and other non-governmental organizations will assist the Department of State in fulfilling its responsibilities pursuant to the 2020 National Space Policy and the 2021 United States Space Priorities Framework.

DATES: Participants will provide their perspectives on Department equities and/or serve as private sector advisors to U.S. delegations to one or more