

- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 14,800
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 17,688
- *Average Time per Response:* 1 hour.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 17,688 hours
- *Frequency:* Annually, with amendments as necessary
- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit

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

Pursuant to Part 122 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulation (ITAR), and section 38 of the Arms Export Control Act, 22 U.S.C. 2778, any person who engages in the United States in the business of manufacturing or exporting or temporarily importing defense articles, or furnishing defense services, is required to register with the Department of State, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC). Pursuant to Part 129 of the ITAR, any U.S. person wherever located, and any foreign person located in the United States or otherwise subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, who engages in the business of brokering activities, is required to register with DDTC. DDTC uses the information provided by registrants to meet the mandates described in Part 122 and Part 129 of the ITAR. As appropriate, such information may be shared with other U.S. Government entities. This information is currently used in the review and action on registration requests and to ensure compliance with defense trade laws and regulations.

Methodology

Statement of Registration submissions are made via a completed DS-2032 which may be accessed from DDTC's website and submitted electronically.

Michael J. Vaccaro,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Defense Trade Controls, U.S. Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 12519]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Affidavit of Relationship (AOR)

ACTION: Notice of request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

DATES: The Department will accept comments from the public up to November 4, 2024.

ADDRESSES:

You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Web:* Persons with access to the internet may comment on this notice by going to www.Regulations.gov. You can search for the document by entering "Docket Number: DOS-2024-0032" in the Search field. Then click the "Comment Now" button and complete the comment form.

- *Email:* carsondp@state.gov.
- *Regular Mail:* Send written comments to: PRM/A—2025 E Street NW, Washington, DC 20520.

You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and the OMB control number in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to Daniel Carson—2025 E Street NW, Washington, DC 20520 who may be reached on (202) 227-6016 or at carsondp@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- *Title of Information Collection:* Affidavit of Relationship (AOR).
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0206.
- *Type of Request:* Reinstatement of a previously approved collection.
- *Originating Office:* PRM/A.
- *Form Number:* DS-7656.
- *Respondents:* A respondent in the United States completes the AOR to: (a) establish that he or she was admitted to the United States as a refugee or granted asylum; (b) provide a list of qualifying family members (spouse, unmarried children under 21, and parents) who may wish to apply for refugee resettlement to the United States; and (c) establish that the family members are nationals of qualifying countries under the P-3 program.

• *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 300.

• *Estimated Number of Responses:* 300.

• *Average Time per Response:* One hour.

• *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 300 hours.

• *Frequency:* On occasion.

• *Obligation to Respond:* Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit.

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.

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Abstract of Proposed Collection

The Affidavit of Relationship (AOR) is required by the Department of State to establish qualification for access to the Priority-3 (P-3) Family Reunification category of the United States Refugee Admissions Program (USRAP). The P-3 category, along with the other categories of cases that have access to USRAP, is outlined in the annual Report to Congress on Proposed Refugee Admissions, which is submitted on behalf of the President in fulfillment of

the requirements of section 207(d) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1157) and authorized by the annual Presidential Determination on Refugee Admissions. The P-3 category is available to qualifying family members of U.S.-based residents (persons already admitted to the U.S. as refugees or who were granted asylum in the United States, including persons who may now be lawful permanent residents or U.S. citizens). Qualifying family members of U.S.-based residents include spouses, unmarried children under age 21, and parents. Eligible P-3 nationalities are determined on an annual basis by the President.

In order to access the USRAP through P-3, an applicant must have an Affidavit of Relationship (AOR) filed on his or her behalf by a U.S.-based family member. The AOR also informs the U.S.-based family member that DNA evidence of all claimed parent-child relationships between the U.S.-based family member and parents and/or unmarried children under 21 is required as a condition of access to P-3 processing; it further informs the U.S.-based family member that the costs of DNA testing will be borne by the U.S. Government. DNA testing between the QFM and any derivative applicant(s) (unmarried child under the age of 21), to prove the existence of their claimed family relationship, will be at no expense to the U.S. Government.

Methodology

This information collection currently involves the limited use of electronic techniques. An anchor may complete an AOR at any local office of a Resettlement Agency (RA) that has a cooperative agreement with the Department of State to assist refugees who have been resettled in the United States. In order to file an AOR, a U.S.-based family member must be at least 18 years of age and have been admitted to the United States as a refugee or granted asylum in the United States no more than five years prior to the filing of the AOR. The AOR is available electronically, is completed electronically with the assistance of RA staff, and is submitted electronically by RA staff to a Department of State-contracted facility, where it is manually uploaded into the USRAP case management system. In addition, the RA local office prints a copy for the respondent's ink signature, then submits the signed form to the RA headquarters.

Kelly A. Gauger,

Deputy Director, PRM/A, Department of State.
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 12520]

U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy; Notice of Meeting

The U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy (ACPD) will hold an in-person public meeting with online access on Monday, September 30, 2024. A panel of experts will discuss the role international expositions have in promoting public diplomacy with an eye towards the USA Pavilion at Expo 2025 in Osaka, Japan. The meeting will be held at Meridian International Center, 1630 Crescent Place NW, Washington, DC 20009.

This meeting is open to the public, including the media and members and staff of governmental and non-governmental organizations. To attend the event, please register at https://iipstate.my.site.com/CRMEventRegistration/s/registration-page?event=2oAj7wzHg_qPOJ5RdlQr12Hz47Z4PmOt_c3hXBizCvQU. Doors will open at 10 a.m.

To request reasonable accommodation, please email ACPD Program Assistant Kristy Zamary at ZamaryKK@state.gov. Please send any request for reasonable accommodation no later than Thursday, September 12, 2024. Requests received after that date will be considered but might not be possible to fulfill.

Since 1948, the ACPD has been charged with appraising activities intended to understand, inform, and influence foreign publics and to increase the understanding of, and support for, these same activities. The ACPD conducts research that provides honest assessments of public diplomacy efforts, and disseminates findings through reports, white papers, and other publications. It also holds public symposiums that generate informed discussions on public diplomacy issues and events. The Commission reports to the President, Secretary of State, and Congress and is supported by the Office of the Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs.

For more information on the U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy, please visit <https://bit.ly/ACPDSite>, or contact Executive Director Sarah Arkin at ArkinSE@state.gov or Senior Advisor Dan Langenkamp at LangenkampDB@state.gov.

(Authority: 22 U.S.C. 2651a, 22 U.S.C. 1469, 5 U.S.C. 1001 *et seq.*, and 41 CFR 102-3.150.)

Sarah E. Arkin,

Executive Director, U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy, Department of State.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

[Docket Number USTR-2024-0015]

Request for Comments on Significant Foreign Trade Barriers for the 2025 National Trade Estimate Report

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR), through the Trade Policy Staff Committee (TPSC), publishes the National Trade Estimate Report on Foreign Trade Barriers (NTE Report) each year. USTR invites comments to assist it and the TPSC in identifying significant foreign barriers to, or distortions of, U.S. exports of goods and services, U.S. foreign direct investment, and U.S. electronic commerce for inclusion in the NTE Report. USTR also will consider responses to this notice as part of the annual review of the operation and effectiveness of all U.S. trade agreements regarding telecommunications products and services that are in force with respect to the United States.

DATES: October 17, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. ET: Deadline for submission of comments.

ADDRESSES: USTR strongly prefers electronic submissions made through the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov> (*Regulations.gov*). The instructions for submitting comments are in sections IV and V below. The docket number is USTR-2024-0015. For alternatives to online submissions, please contact Laura Buffo, Chair of the Trade Policy Staff Committee, at ForeignTradeBarriersReport@ustr.eop.gov or 202.395.3475 in advance of the deadline.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laura Buffo, Chair of the Trade Policy Staff Committee, at ForeignTradeBarriersReport@ustr.eop.gov or 202.395.3475.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: