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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 7987]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Application for Consular Report of Birth Abroad of a Citizen of the United States of America.

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments.

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.

DATE(S): The Department will accept comments from the public up to **insert date 60 days from date of publication in the *Federal Register***.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Web:* Persons with access to the Internet may use the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) to comment on this notice by going to www.Regulations.gov. You can search for the document by: selecting “Notice” under Document Type, entering the Public Notice number as the “Keyword or ID”, checking the “Open for Comment” box, and then click “Search”. If necessary, use the “Narrow by Agency” option on the Results page.
- *E-mail:* <mailto:Ask-OCS-L-Public-Inquiries@state.gov>.
- *Mail:* (paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions): U.S. Department of State, CA/OCS/L, SA-29, 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20037-3202.
- *Fax:* 202-736-9111
- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* U.S. Department of State, CA/OCSL 2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20037-3202.

You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and 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 information collection and supporting documents, to Derek A. Rivers, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Overseas Citizens Services (CA/OCS/L), U.S. Department of State, SA-29, 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20037-3202, who may be reached at [mailto: Ask-OCS-L-Public-Inquiries@state.gov](mailto:Ask-OCS-L-Public-Inquiries@state.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- *Title of Information Collection:* Application for Consular Report of Birth Abroad of a Citizen of the United States of America.
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0011
- *Type of Request:* Revision
- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Consular Affairs, Overseas Citizens Services (CA/OCS)
- *Form Number:* DS-2029
- *Respondents:* Parents or legal guardians of United States citizen children born overseas.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 68,627
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 68,627
- *Average Time Per Response:* 20 minutes
- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 22,876 hours
- *Frequency:* On Occasion
- *Obligation to Respond:* Voluntary

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 DS-2029, Application for Consular Report of Birth Abroad of a Citizen of the United States of America, is used by citizens of the United States to report the birth of a child while overseas. The information collected on this form will be used to certify the acquisition of U.S. citizenship at birth of a person born abroad and can be used by that child throughout life.

Methodology:

The DS-2029 is currently available to download from the Internet. An application for a Consular Report of Birth is normally made in the consular district in which the birth occurred. The parent respondents will complete the form and present it to a United States Consulate or Embassy, who will examine the documentation and enter the information provided into the Department of State American Citizen Services (ACS) electronic database.

July 31, 2012

(Date)

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