DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

[OMB Number 1140-NEW]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection of eComments Requested;
New Information Collection;
Request for Interim Security Clearance – ATF Form 8620.70

AGENCY: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Department of Justice.

ACTION: 30-day notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Department of Justice (DOJ) will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for an additional 30 days until [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

– Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

– Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

– Evaluate whether and if so how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; and

– Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) Type of Information Collection: New collection.

(2) The Title of the Form/Collection: Request for Interim Security Clearance.

(3) The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:

Form number: ATF Form 8620.70.
Component: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, U.S. Department of Justice.

(4) **Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:**
Primary: Individuals or households.
Other (if applicable): None

Abstract: The Request for Interim Security Clearance – ATF Form 8620.70 will be used to determine if a candidate for Federal or contractor employment at the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives can be granted an interim security clearance prior to the completion and adjudication of their full background investigation.

(5) **An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:** An estimated 2,000 respondents will use the form annually, and it will take each respondent 5 minutes to complete their responses.

(6) **An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:** The estimated annual public burden associated with this collection is 167 hours, which is equal to 2,000 (# of respondents) * .0833333 (5 minutes).

If additional information is required contact: Melody Braswell, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street NE, Mail Stop 3E.405A, Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: August 18, 2021.

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