DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Office of Foreign Assets Control

Updating of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons Pursuant to Executive Order 12978

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is updating the identifying information for two individuals that were previously designated pursuant to Executive Order 12978 (Blocking Assets and Prohibiting Transactions with Significant Narcotics Traffickers).

DATES: The update to the list of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons (SDN List) of the individuals identified in this notice whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to Executive Order 12978, is effective on November 12, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Assistant Director, Sanctions Compliance & Evaluation, Department of the Treasury, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Washington, DC 20220, Tel: (202) 622–2420.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic and Facsimile Availability: This document and additional information concerning OFAC are available from OFAC’s Web site at www.treasury.gov/ofac or via facsimile through a 24-hour fax-on-demand service at (202) 622–0077.

Background: On October 21, 1995, the President, invoking the authority, inter alia, of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701–1706), issued Executive Order 12978, “Blocking Assets and Prohibiting Transactions with Significant Narcotics Traffickers” (the Order). In the Order, the President declared a national emergency to deal with the threat posed by significant foreign narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia and the harm that they cause in the United States and abroad.

Section 1 of the Order blocks, with certain exceptions, all property and interests in property that are in the United States, or that hereafter come within the United States or that are or hereafter come within the possession or control of United States persons, of: (1) The persons listed in an Annex to the Order; (2) any foreign person determined by the Secretary of Treasury, in consultation with the Attorney General and the Secretary of State, to play a significant role in international narcotics trafficking centered in Colombia, or materially to assist in, or provide financial or technological support for or goods or services in support of, the narcotics trafficking activities of persons designated in or pursuant to the Order; and (3) persons determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Attorney General and the Secretary of State, to be owned or controlled by, or to act for or on behalf of, persons designated pursuant to the Order.

On November 12, 2015, the Associate Director of the Office of Global Targeting updated the SDN listing of the two individuals listed below, whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to Executive Order 12978:

Individual

1. SANTACRUZ LONDONO, Jose (a.k.a. “CHEPE”; a.k.a. “DON CHEPE”; a.k.a. “EL GORDO CHEPE”), Cali, Colombia; DOB 01 Oct 1943; Cedula No. 14432230 (Colombia); Passport AB149814 (Colombia) (individual) [SDNT].
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   SANTACRUZ LONDONO, Jose (a.k.a. “CHEPE”; a.k.a. “DON CHEPE”; a.k.a. “EL GORDO CHEPE”), Cali, Colombia; DOB 01 Oct 1943; Passport AB149814 (Colombia) (individual) [SDNT].

2. GARCIA PIZARRO, Gentil Velez, c/o GALAPAGOS S.A., Cali, Colombia; Cedula No. 6616986 (Colombia) (individual) [SDNT].
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   GARCIA PIZARRO, Gentil Velez, Cali, Colombia (individual) [SDNT] (Linked To: GALAPAGOS S.A.).

Dated: November 12, 2015.

Gregory T. Gtajanis,
Associate Director, Office of Global Targeting, Office of Foreign Assets Control.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the collection tools should be directed to R. Joseph Durbala, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224. Please send separate comments for each specific information collection listed below. You must reference the information collection’s title, form number, reporting or record-keeping requirement number, and OMB number (if any) in your comment.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Currently, the IRS is seeking comments concerning Form 1099–PATR, Taxable Distributions Received From Cooperatives; Conduit Arrangements Regulations (TD 8611); Form 8903, Domestic Production Activities Deduction; and the rules under the Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008: Technical amendment to extend the Multi-State Plan Program (TD 9640).

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Information Collection Tools

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 1099–PATR, Taxable Distributions Received From Cooperatives; Conduit Arrangements Regulations (TD 8611); Form 8903, Domestic Production Activities Deduction; and the rules under the Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008: Technical amendment to extend the Multi-State Plan Program (TD 9640).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before January 26, 2016 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Christie Preston, Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224. Please send separate comments for each specific information collection listed below. You must reference the information collection’s title, form number, reporting or record-keeping requirement number, and OMB number (if any) in your comment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the collection tools should be directed to R. Joseph Durbala, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 317–5746, or through the internet at RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Currently, the IRS is seeking comments concerning the following information collection tools, reporting, and record-keeping requirements:

(1) Title: Taxable Distributions Received From Cooperatives.

OMB Number: 1545–0118.

Form Number: 1099–PATR.

Abstract: Form 1099–PATR is used to report patronage dividends paid by
cooperatives in accordance with Internal Revenue Code section 6044. The information is used by IRS to verify reporting compliance on the part of the recipient.

Current Actions: There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,961,133.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 15 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 509,895.

(2) Title: Conduit Arrangements Regulations.

OMB Number: 1545–1440.

Form Number: TD 8611 (INTL–64–93).

Abstract: This regulation provides rules that permit the district director to recharacterize a financing arrangement as a conduit arrangement. The recharacterization will affect the amount of U.S. withholding tax due on financing transactions that are part of the financing arrangement. This regulation affects withholding agents and foreign investors who engage in multi-party financing arrangements.

Current Actions: There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 10 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 10,000.

(3) Title: Domestic Production Activities Deduction.


Form Number: 8903.

Abstract: Taxpayers will use Form 8903 and related instructions to calculate the domestic production activities deduction.

Current Actions: There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 300,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 24 hours 40 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 7,398,000.

(4) Title: Rules under the Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008: Technical amendment to external review for Multi-State Plan Program.

OMB Number: 1545–2165.

Form Number: TD 9640.

Abstract: This document contains final rules implementing the Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008, which requires parity between mental health or substance use disorder benefits and medical/surgical benefits with respect to financial requirements and treatment limitations under group health plans and group and individual health insurance coverage.

Current Actions: There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits, Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 424,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 1 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,900.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: November 19, 2015.

R. Joseph Durbala, IRS, Tax Analyst.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Departmental Offices; Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on a currently approved information collection form that is due for extension approval by the Office of Management and Budget. The Terrorism Risk Insurance Program Office, which is part of the Federal Insurance Office within the Department of the Treasury, is soliciting comments concerning the Record Keeping Requirements set forth in 31 CFR part 50, subpart J (Sec. 50.94).

DATES: Written comments must be received not later than January 26, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons may submit comments electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov, in accordance with the instructions on that site. In general, the Department will post all comments to www.regulations.gov without change, including any business or personal information provided such as names, addresses, email addresses, or telephone numbers. The Department will also make such comments available for public inspection and copying in the Treasury’s Library, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time. You can make an appointment to inspect comments by telephoning (202) 622–0990. All comments, including attachments and other supporting materials, are part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. Electronic submissions are encouraged.

Comments may also be mailed to the Department of the Treasury, Terrorism Risk Insurance Office, MT 1410, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard Ifft, Senior Insurance Regulatory Policy Analyst, Federal Insurance Office, Room 1319,