DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Secretary
[Docket ID: DoD–2015–OS–0097]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by July 1, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Licari, 571–372–0493.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title, Associated Form and OMB Number: Collection of Required Data Elements to Verify Eligibility; OMB Control Number 0704–0545. Type of Request: Extension

Number of Respondents: 1,000,000.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 1,000,000.

Average Burden per Response: 5 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 83,333.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary for the Government to verify whether or not an individual was impacted by the OPM cybersecurity incident involving background investigation records and to send a letter confirming status as “impacted” or “not impacted” by this incident. Once the minimally required information has been input into the OPM secure portal, it will be compared to an electronic master file and verification will be accomplished electronically. After the Government has validated the individual’s status, the DoD Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) will generate and mail a response letter. This letter will either confirm eligibility or contain a PIN for impacted individuals, or confirm that the individual was not impacted by this cybersecurity incident.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent’s Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Ms. Jasmeet Seehra.

Comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be emailed to Ms. Jasmeet Seehra, DoD Desk Officer, at Oira_submission@omb.eop.gov. Please identify the proposed information collection by DoD Desk Officer and the Docket ID number and title of the information collection.

You may also submit comments and recommendations, identified by Docket ID number and title, by the following method:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Instruction: All submissions received must include the agency name, Docket ID number and title for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

DoD Clearance Officer: Mr. Frederick Licari.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Licari at WHS/ESD Directives Division, 4800 Mark Center Drive, East Tower, Suite 02G09, Alexandria, VA 22350–3100.

Dated: May 26, 2016.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Privacy Act of 1974; Computer Matching Program Between the Department of Education and the Department of Veterans Affairs

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This document provides notice of the continuation of the computer matching program between the Department of Education (ED) (recipient agency) and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) (source agency). The continuation is effective on the date in paragraph 5 of this notice.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552a), the following information is provided:

1. Names of Participating Agencies. ED and VA.
2. Purpose of the Match. The purpose of this matching program is to assist the Secretary of Education with verification of a veteran’s status during the review of applications for financial assistance under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA). The Secretary of Education is authorized by the HEA to administer the title IV programs and to enforce the terms and conditions of the HEA.

Section 480(c)(1) of the HEA defines the term “veteran” to mean “any individual who (A) has engaged in the active duty in the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, or Coast Guard; and (B) was released under a condition other than dishonorable.” (20 U.S.C. 1087vv(c)(1)). Under section 480(d)(1)(D) of the HEA, an applicant who is a veteran (as defined in section 480(c)(1)) is considered an independent student for purposes of title IV, HEA program assistance eligibility, and therefore does not have to provide parental income and asset information to apply for title IV, HEA program assistance. (20 U.S.C. 1087vv(d)(1)(D)).

3. Authority for Conducting the Matching Program. ED is authorized to participate in the matching program under sections 480(c)(1) and 480(d)(1)(D) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1087vv(c)(1) and (d)(1)(D)). VA is authorized to participate in the matching program under 38 U.S.C. 523.

4. Categories of Records and Individuals Covered by the Match. ED will provide the Social Security number and other identifying information of each applicant for financial assistance under title IV of the HEA who indicates veteran status. This information will be disclosed from the