DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Regulation Project

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 tax on certain foreign procurement.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before January 20, 2017 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Tuawana Pinkston, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the regulations should be directed to Allan Hopkins, at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington DC 20224, or through the Internet at Allan.M.Hopkins@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Tax on Certain Foreign Procurement.

OMB Number: 1545–2263.

Regulation Project Number: TD 9782.

Abstract: TD 9782 contains regulations (REG 103281–11) under section 5000C of the Internal Revenue Code relating to the 2 percent tax on payments made by the U.S. government to foreign persons pursuant to certain contracts. The regulations affect U.S. government acquiring agencies and foreign persons providing certain goods or services to the U.S. government pursuant to a contract. This document also contains regulations under section 6114, with respect to foreign persons claiming an exemption from the tax under an income tax treaty. A Form W–14 must be provided to the acquiring agency (U.S. government department, agency, independent establishment, or corporation) to: Establish that they are a foreign contracting party; and if applicable, claim an exemption from withholding based on an international agreement (such as a tax treaty); or claim an exemption from withholding, in whole or in part, based on an international procurement agreement or because goods are produced, or services are performed in the United States.

Current Actions: There is no change to this existing regulation.

Type of Review: Extension of currently approved collection.


Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,000.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 5 hours, 55 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 11,840 hours.

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.

The IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 8453–R, Declaration and Signature for Electronic Filing of Forms 8947 and 8963.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before January 20, 2017 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Tuawana Pinkston, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Martha R. Brinson, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the Internet at Martha.R.Brinson@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Declaration and Signature for Electronic Filing of Forms 8947 and 8963.

OMB Number: 1545–2253.

Form Number: Form 8453–R.

Abstract: The purpose of the form is to authenticate the electronic filing of Form 8947, Report of Branded Prescription Drug Information and Form 8963, Report of Health Insurance Provider Information.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to the form at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses and other for-profit organizations and Not-for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,550.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 1 hour 37 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 4,131.