collection of information to OMB for approval, it must first publish a document in the Federal Register providing a 60-day comment period and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information. The OMB has promulgated regulations describing what must be included in such a document. Under OMB’s regulation (at 5 CFR 1320.8(d)), an agency must ask for public comment on the following:

(i) 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;
(ii) 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;
(iii) how to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;
(iv) how to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including 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.

In compliance with these requirements, NHTSA asks for public comments on the following proposed collection of information for which the agency is seeking approval from OMB:

Title: Safety Ratings and Advanced Crash Avoidance Technologies Consumer Research

Requested Expiration Date of Approval: Three years from approval date.

Abstract: The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) was established by the Highway Safety Act of 1970 (23 U.S.C. 101) to carry out a Congressional mandate to reduce the mounting number of deaths, injuries, and economic losses resulting from motor vehicle crashes on the Nation’s highways. In support of this mission, NHTSA previously conducted two comprehensive consumer research studies in 2012 and 2014 to better understand (1) the type of information consumers seek during their vehicle purchase decisions, (2) consumer comprehension of vehicle safety ratings, and (3) consumer knowledge and interest in advanced crash avoidance technologies in order to guide NHTSA communications. Building on that research, NHTSA proposes to conduct a quantitative survey that draws from findings in the previous qualitative research studies to further explore consumer perception, interest and understanding of the 5-star safety ratings (including response to half stars), overall vehicle scores, and advanced crash avoidance technologies information to support the development of consumer communications.

Summary of the Collection of Information: In this collection of information, NHTSA is seeking approval to conduct an online survey with 1,500 consumer respondents. The survey will be used to further support findings from previous qualitative research studies and will achieve the following objectives:

(1) Confirm qualitative research findings with regard to vehicle purchase decision-making criteria;
(2) Identify and evaluate sources of vehicle safety information to help inform the development of a consumer education program;
(3) Understand consumer knowledge and interest in communications around safety ratings;
(4) Explore consumer knowledge, interest and engagement with advanced crash avoidance technologies;
(5) Assess consumer response to overall vehicle score; and,
(6) Evaluate consumer perception of the 5-Star safety ratings and its components (including incorporation of 1/2 star ratings).

Description of the Need for the Information and the Proposed Use of the Information: NHTSA will obtain critical information that will fulfill a congressional mandate to improve highway traffic safety. Specifically, the data from this collection will be used to enhance consumer understanding of NHTSA’s safety ratings and advanced crash avoidance technologies and guide the development of communication materials that will help consumers as they factor this information into their vehicle purchase decisions. In addition, this data will be used to substantiate the effectiveness of communications approaches.

Affected Public: For this collection, NHTSA plans to conduct an online survey with 1,500 panel member respondents that will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. In order to identify 1,500 qualified respondents, approximately 20,000 respondents will be needed to complete a 1.5-minute screener. NHTSA plans to administer this study one time, amounting to 963 burden hours. Prior to administering the online survey, NHTSA will administer a cognitive test of the survey instrument. For the cognitive test, a total of eight to 12 potential respondents will be recruited via dialed telephone screening calls, which are estimated to take 10 minutes per response. The recruitment calls will utilize the screening section of the survey document to determine qualified respondents. NHTSA anticipates needing 45 minutes to allow respondents to navigate the survey while also discussing their feedback on survey questions. The Agency will conduct interviews with one respondent at a time.

Based on experience, it is prudent to recruit up to 12 people in order to help achieve at least eight participants showing up for the cognitive tests. Approximately 600 potential participants will complete a 1.5-minute pre-screen in order to identify a pool of potentially qualified respondents. Among the 12 selected qualified recruits, the total burden per participant is estimated to be 55 minutes (10 minutes for the screening/recruiting telephone call, plus 45 minutes for the interview).

Therefore, the total annual estimated burden imposed by this collection of information is approximately 989 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 989 hours.

Number of Respondents: 1,512.

The results of this research will be used to inform communications for the New Car Assessment Program’s Government 5-Star Safety Ratings program.

Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department’s estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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Susan Gorcowski, Associate Administrator, NHTSA NCO–010.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Office of Foreign Assets Control
Sanctions Actions Pursuant to Executive Order 13224

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.
SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing the names of two individuals whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001, “Blocking Property and Prohibiting Transactions With Persons Who Commit, Threaten To Commit, or Support Terrorism.”

DATES: OFAC’s actions described in this notice were effective on December 28, 2016.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

The SDN List and additional information concerning OFAC sanctions programs are available from OFAC’s Web site (www.treas.gov/ofac).

Notice of OFAC Actions

On December 28, 2016, OFAC blocked the property and interests in property of the following two individuals pursuant to E.O. 13224, “Blocking Property and Prohibiting Transactions With Persons Who Commit, Threaten To Commit, or Support Terrorism”:

Individuals

1. MAHMOOD, Shahid (a.k.a. AHMED, Shahid Mehmood Manzoor; a.k.a. MEHMOOD, Shehadeh; a.k.a. MEHMOUD, Shahid; a.k.a. REHMATULLAH, Shahid Mahmood), Karachi, Pakistan; DOB 10 Apr 1980; POB Pakistan; nationality Pakistan; Gender Male (individual) [SDGT] (Linked To: LASHKAR E–TAYYIBA).

2. SARWAR, Muhammad (a.k.a. ABU ALI HASHIM; a.k.a. ABU HASHIM; a.k.a. ABU UL–HASHIM; a.k.a. HASHIM, Abdul; a.k.a. HASHIM, Abul; a.k.a. RABBANI, Abul Hashim), Lahore, Pakistan; DOB 01 Jan 1966 to 31 Dec 1968; POB Sheikhupura, Pakistan; nationality Pakistan; Gender Male; Passport AK5905921 (Pakistan) issued 24 Mar 2007 expires 22 Mar 2012 (individual) [SDGT] (Linked To: LASHKAR E–TAYYIBA).


John E. Smith,
Acting Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

December 28, 2016.

AGENCY: Departmental Offices, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. 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 this continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A). The information collection under review is 1505–0230, Garnishment of Accounts Containing Federal Benefit Payments.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before March 6, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments via email to PRACollection1505-0230@treasury.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara Wiss, Office of the Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220 or by telephone on 202–622–0886 or by email at PRACollection1505-0230@treasury.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Number: 1505–0230.

Type of Review: Extension without change of an existing information collection.

Title: Garnishment of Accounts Containing Federal Benefit Payments.

Abstract: The regulations at 31 CFR part 212 establish procedures that financial institutions must follow when a garnishment order is received for an account into which federal benefit payments have been directly deposited. Financial institutions that comply with the required procedures are given a safe harbor under the rule. The regulations require a financial institution to review the account, to determine if any exempt benefit payments have been directly deposited within the 60 calendar days prior to the receipt of the garnishment order, and, if so, requires the financial institution to ensure that the account holder has access to a protected amount of funds in the account. Once the account review is completed the financial institution must notify the accountholder of the receipt of the garnishment order and provide certain additional information. In addition, a financial institution must maintain certain records of account activity and actions taken in response to garnishment orders sufficient to demonstrate compliance with the regulations.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit institutions.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 24,167.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget 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 technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services required to provide information.

Bob Faber,
Treasury PRA Clearance Officer.

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