DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Overseas Schools Advisory Council

AGENCY: Department of State

ACTION: Notice of renewal of an advisory committee charter.

SUMMARY: The State Department is renewing the charter of the Overseas Schools Advisory Council in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Harry Mahar, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Operations and Executive Secretary of the Committee at (202) 647–2082.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Renewal of Advisory Committee: The Secretary of State announces the renewal of the charter of the Overseas Schools Advisory Council in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

Purpose: The main objectives of the Council are:

(a) To advise the Department of State regarding matters of policy and funding for the overseas schools.
(b) To help the overseas schools become showcases for excellence in education.
(c) To help make service abroad more attractive to American citizens who have school-age children, both in the business community and in Government.
(d) To identify methods to mitigate risks to American private sector interests worldwide.

Harry Mahar,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Operations.

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ACTION: Notice of request for public comment and submission to OMB of proposed collection of information.

SUMMARY: The Department of State has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this Notice is to allow 30 days for public comment.

DATES: Submit comments directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) up to May 17, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Direct comments to the Department of State Desk Officer in the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). You may submit comments by the following methods:

• Email: oira_submission@omb.eop.gov. You must include the DS form number, information collection title, and the OMB control number in the subject line of your message.
• Fax: 202–395–5806. Attention: Desk Officer for Department of State.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to G. Kevin Saba, Director, Policy and Program Support Unit, ECA/EC, SA–5, Floor 5, U.S. Department of State, 2200 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20522–0505, who may be reached via JExchanges@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

• OMB Control Number: 1405–0151.
• Type of Request: Revision of a Currently Approved Collection.
• Originating Office: Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Office of Private Sector Exchange, ECA/EC.
• Form Number: DS–3097.
• Respondents: Designated J–NONIMMIGRANT Exchange Visitor Program sponsors.
• Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,400.
• Estimated Number of Responses: 1,400.
• Average Time Per Response: 2 hours.
• Total Estimated Burden Time: 2,800.
• Frequency: Annually.
• Obligation to Respond: Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

• Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
• Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
• Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.