Supporting Statement Form I-687

Application for Status as Temporary Resident under Section 245A Of the Immigration and Nationality Act

OMB No. 1615-0090

A. Justification

- **1.** Section 245A of The Immigration and Nationality Act (ACT), section 245A legalization program ended in 1988. This form will now be used to apply to U.S. Citizenship and Immigrations Services (USCIS) for benefits pursuant to the terms and conditions of certain settlement agreements.
- **2.** The data collected on this form is used by USCIS to verify the applicant's status and determine his or her eligibility for the benefit.
- 3. The use of this form provides the most efficient means for collecting and processing the required data. In this case, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) does not employ the use of information technology in collecting and processing information. However, this form has been designated for e-filing under the Business Transformation Project.
- **4.** A search of USCIS' automated forms tracking system was accomplished and revealed no duplication. There is no similar data collected.
- **5.** The collection of information does not have an impact on small businesses or other small entities.
- **6.** The collection of information on Form I-687 is required to verify the applicant's eligibility for temporary status, and if the applicant is deemed eligible, to grant him or her the benefit sought. Lacking such form, the applicant could not seek the benefit provided pursuant to the settlements.
- **7.** There are no special circumstances applicable to this information collection.
- **8.** On November 27, 2006, USCIS published a 60-Day notice in the Federal Register at 71 FR 68632 requesting comments from the public. USCIS did not receive any public comments for this information collection.
- **9.** USCIS does not provide payments or gifts to respondents in exchange for a benefit sought.

- **10.** There is no assurance of confidentiality.
- **11.** There are no questions of a sensitive nature.

12. Annual Reporting Burden

a. Number of Responses	100,000
b. Number of Responses per Applicant	1
c. Total Annual Responses	100,000
d. Hours per Response	1.16
e. Total Annual Reporting Hours	116,000

Annual Burden Hours

Total annual reporting burden hours is 116,000. This number is calculated by multiplying the number of respondents $(100,000) \times (1)$ frequency of responses $\times 1$ hour and 10 minutes (1.16) per response.

13. There are no capital or start-up costs associated with this information collection. Any cost burdens to respondents as a result of this collection are identified in Item 14. However, there is a fee of \$255.

14. Annualized Cost Analysis:

a.	Printing Cost	\$42,000
b.	Collection and Processing Cost	\$25,458,000
c.	Total Cost to Program	\$25,500,000
d.	Fee Charge	\$25,500,000
e.	Total Cost to Government	\$0

Government Cost

The estimated cost of the program to the Government is calculated by using the estimated number of respondents (100,000) x the \$255 fee charge (which includes the hourly rate for clerical, officer and managerial

time with benefits, plus a percent for the estimated overhead cost for printing, stocking and distributing and processing this form).

Public Cost

The estimated annual public cost is \$26,660,000. This estimate is based upon the number of respondents $(100,000) \times 1$ hour and 10 minutes (1.16) per response by \$10.00 (average hourly rate), plus the number of respondents $(100,000) \times 1$ fee charged of \$255.00.

- **15.** There has been no increase or decrease in the burden hours previously reported for this information collection.
- **16.** USCIS does not intend to employ the use of statistics or the publication thereof for this collection of information.
- **17.** USCIS will display the expiration date for this information collection..
- **18.** USCIS does not request an exception to the certification of this information collection.

B. Collection of Information Employing Statistical Methods

Not applicable

C. Certification and Signature

PAPERWORK CERTIFICATION

In submitting this request for OMB approval, I certify that the requirements of the Privacy Act and OMB directives have been compiled with including paperwork regulations, statistical standards or directives, and any other information policy directives promulgated under 5 CFR 1320.

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