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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Agency Information Collection Activities: Extension of an
Existing Information Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: 60-Day Notice of Information Collection under Review: Form G-
1054, Request for Fee Waiver Denial Letter; OMB Control No. 1615-0089.

The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and
Immigration Services has submitted the following information collection
request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork
Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection is

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published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies.
Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until April
2, 2007.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained
in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and
associated response time, should be directed to the Department of
Homeland Security (DHS), USCIS, Chief, Regulatory Management Division,
Clearance Office, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, 3rd floor, Washington, DC
20529. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202-272-
8352 or via e-mail at rfs.regs@dhs.gov. When submitting comments by e-
mail please make sure to add OMB Control Number 1615-0089 in the
subject box. Written comments and suggestions from the public and
affected agencies should address one or more of the following four
points:

- (1) Evaluate 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;
- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of
the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the
methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to
be collected; and
- (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those
who are to respond, including through 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.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) Type of Information Collection: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

(2) Title of the Form/Collection: Request for Fee Waiver Denial Letter.

(3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection: Form G-1054; U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals or Households. The regulations at 8 CFR 103.7(c) allows U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to waive fees for benefits under the Immigration and Nationality Act (Act). This form is used to maintain consistency in the adjudication of fee waiver requests, to collect accurate data on amounts of fee waivers, and to facilitate the public-use process.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: 16,000 responses at 1.25 hours (75 minutes) per response.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 20,000 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, please contact: USCIS, Regulatory Management Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, 3rd Floor, Washington, DC 20529, (202) 272-8377.

Dated: January 29, 2007.

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