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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Agency Information Collection Activities: Form I-601, Revision of
a Currently Approved Information Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: 60-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review: Form I-
601, Application for Waiver of Grounds of Inadmissibility; OMB Control
Number 1615-0029.

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 published to
obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are
encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until November 3, 2008.

Written comments and suggestions regarding items contained in this
notice and especially with regard to 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, NW., Suite 3008,
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 add the OMB Control Number 1615-
0029 in the subject box.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected
agencies concerning the collection of information should address one or
more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the 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 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: Revision of a currently

approved information collection.

(2) Title of the Form/Collection: Application for Waiver of Grounds of Inadmissibility.

(3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection: Form I-601. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals or Households. The information collected on this form is used by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to determine whether the applicant is eligible for a waiver of excludability under section 212 of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: 15,500 responses at 1\1/2\ hours per response.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 23,250 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument, please visit: <http://www.regulations.gov/search/index.jsp>.

We may also be contacted at: USCIS, Regulatory Management Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529, telephone number 202-272-8377.

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