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2. Indicate how, by whom, and for what purpose the information is to be used. Except for a new collection, indicate the actual use the agency has made of the information received from the current collection.

The rule associated with this information collection will require the respondents, who may include certain regulated entities, to: (1) create, implement, and update as necessary security programs that must remain on file and ready for inspection by TSA personnel; (2) for regulated entities with cargo screening responsibilities, maintain a written record of the justification for exemption from screening as provided in the applicable security programs; (3) accomplish security training for employees and agents who have access to secure areas and keep records of such training on file and ready for inspection; and (4) conduct background checks, which includes a criminal history records check (CHRC) and a security threat assessment (STA), on employees and agents who have access to

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Further explained the cargo reporting requirement and the known shipper data collection.

Defines and explains the Known Shipper Management System (KSMS).

Further explains that the requirement for CHRC is found in another PRA.

secure cargo areas, who have unescorted access to cargo, and who screen cargo for certain aircraft operators in order to ensure fitness for security responsibilities, and on sole proprietors, general partners, officers, directors, and certain owners of indirect air carriers or applicants to be an indirect air carrier because these operations are a critical link to a secure cargo supply chain.

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(1) Legal name, including first,

- (2) Current mailing address, including residential address if different than current mailing address, and all other residential addresses for the previous seven years and email address, if applicable.
- (3) Date and place of birth.
- (4) Social security number (although provision of one's social security number is voluntary, failure to provide a social security number may result in delays in processing the security threat assessment).
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identifying information for a database for both companies and individuals who indirect air carriers and air carriers have qualified to ship cargo on passenger aircrafts, also referred to as "known shippers." This information consists of:

- (1) Legal name, including first, middle, and last; any applicable suffix; and any other names used.
- (2) Current physical address.
- (3) Phone number.

In addition to information specified above, individuals who work for aircraft operators and who have the responsibility to screen cargo must undergo a CHRC. The rule requires that these individuals must complete a fingerprint application, including personal information, and submit the application through their employer to the American Association of Airport Executive's (AAAE) Transportation Security Clearinghouse, a service that AAAE provides to airports, air carriers, and their

(6) Alien registration number, if applicable.

Further, TSA will collect identifying information for a database for both companies and individuals whom IACs and aircraft operators have qualified to ship cargo on passenger aircrafts, also referred to as "known shippers." This information is primarily collected electronically via the Known Shipper **Management System** (KSMS); however, a manual method is allowed for those shippers who are unable to be entered into KSMS. The manual method is comprised of completion and retention of TSA Form 419H. IACs and aircraft operators enter information into the **database.** The information consists of:

- (4) Legal name, including first, middle, and last; any applicable suffix; and any other names used.
- (5) Current physical address.
- (6) Phone number.

members. Using AAAE provides one point of contact, instead of multiple contacts. Additionally, AAAE converts paper fingerprint submissions into an electronic format, if the employer does not have the capacity to do so. This service limits the number of unreadable prints and facilitates a better turnaround time for adjudication. AAAE sends this information to TSA via secured e-mail. TSA then transmits the fingerprint to the FBI for CHRC. The FBI returns the results to TSA's secure Fingerprint Results Distribution website for adjudication. The FBI will make a notation that the fingerprint record has been audited and may retain a copy of the fingerprints if the copy that TSA provided is more readable than the one on record.

Finally, TSA may collect information that an individual chooses to submit in connection with an appeal of a TSA determination.

In addition to information specified above, individuals who work for aircraft operators and who have the responsibility to screen cargo must undergo a CHRC. **Collections of CHRC for individuals** who work for aircraft operators and who have responsibility to screen cargo are covered under the Aircraft Operator **Security Program and** the Model Security Program, OMB number **1652-0003.** The rule requires that these individuals must complete a fingerprint application, including personal information, and submit the application through their employer to the American Association of Airport Executive's (AAAE) Transportation Security Clearinghouse, a service that AAAE provides to airports, aircraft operators, and their members. Using AAAE provides one point of contact, instead of multiple contacts. Additionally, AAAE converts paper fingerprint submissions into an electronic format, if the employer does not have the capacity to do so. This service limits the number of unreadable prints and

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3. Describe whether, and to what extent, the collection of information involves the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses, and the basis for the decision for adopting this means of collection. Also describe any consideration of using information technology to reduce burden.

> In compliance with the Government Paperwork Elimination Act, TSA intends and is working to collect all information electronically. However, for those respondents without the resources to submit information electronically, TSA will continue to work with them so that they can submit and/or maintain the required information in a manner that best meets their particular needs. Electronic signatures are not applicable to this program.

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> In accordance with the Government Paperwork Elimination Act, **TSA is** working to develop systems to collect all information electronically through the Air Cargo Data **Management System** (ACDMS). For those respondents without the resources to submit information electronically, TSA will continue to work with them so that they can submit and/or maintain the required information in a manner that best meets their particular needs. TSA has already converted the record keeping and data

collection requirements for the known shipper

Corrects language to reflect effort to comply versus compliance.

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	program from a manual to an electronic process. TSA expects to fully deploy the ACDMS to enable automated STA processing and the cargo reporting requirements in 2010.	
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5. If the collection of information has a significant impact on a substantial number of small businesses or other small entities (Item 5 of the Paperwork Reduction Act submission form), describe the methods used to minimize burden.

The amount of information required is proportional to the size of each air carrier and indirect air carrier operation and, therefore, the collection does not create a significant impact on a substantial number of small businesses.

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This collection does not create a significant impact on a substantial number of small businesses.

Clarified language.

7. Explain any special circumstances that require the collection to be conducted in a manner inconsistent with the general information collection guidelines in 5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2).

5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2)(i): Employees regulated under this rule have an obligation to inform TSA of any disqualifying offenses under 49 CFR 1544.229 for purposes of the CHRC, which means employees, if necessary, may have to report more often than quarterly.

IACs have an obligation to submit changes in business and associated personal information to TSA, if necessary, which may occur more often than quarterly.

5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2)(iv): In the interests of national transportation security, IACs are required to retain records indefinitely, according to security program requirements, which may exceed three years.

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5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2)(I): IACs have an obligation to submit changes in business and associated personal information within 24 hours of the change to TSA, which may occur more often than quarterly.

Clarifies answer by removing unnecessary CHRC language since CHRC is cover under a different submission.

- 8. Describe efforts to consult persons outside the agency to obtain their views on the availability of data, frequency of collection, the clarity of instructions and recordkeeping, disclosure, or reporting format (if any), and on the data elements to be recorded, disclosed, or reported. If applicable, provide a copy and identify the date and page number of publication in the Federal Register of the agency's notice, required by 5 CFR 1320.8(d) soliciting comments on the information collection prior to submission to OMB. Summarize public comments received in response to that notice and describe actions taken by the agency in response to these comments. Specifically address comments received on cost and hour burden.
 - TSA is promulgating this regulation after extensive consultation with industry through its Aviation Security Advisory Committee, other Federal agencies including the Department of Transportation, and the U.S. Customs and Border
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TSA promulgated the regulation associated with these collections after extensive consultation with industry through its Aviation Security Advisory Committee, other Federal agencies

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Protection. TSA also published a notice of proposed rulemaking for this rule in the Federal Register on November 10, 2004 (69 FR 65258), has reviewed comments to that rule, and provided responses to the comments in the final rule. Combined, the regulatory and programmatic changes	including the Department of Transportation, and the U.S. Customs and Border Protection. Frequent outreach and consultation with industry trade groups and representatives continues. TSA published a notice of proposed rulemaking for this rule in the Federal Register on November 10, 2004 (69	
the air cargo system with malicious intent.	and programmatic changes associated with this collection will impose significant barriers to anyone seeking to access the air cargo system with malicious intent.	
Questions 12		Changed numbers to reflect current populations of respondents and to reflect the institution of KSMS.

13. Provide an estimate of the total annual cost burden to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information.

TSA estimates that the average annual cost to:

- Air carrier employees for the CHRCs will be approximately \$907,000.
- Air carrier employees for the STAs will be approximately \$767,000.
- IACs for vetting will be approximately \$1,778,000.
- IACs for the appeals process will be approximately \$12,500.
- Air carriers for the annual reporting of their security program will be approximately \$68,000.

Thus, TSA estimates that the average annual cost to

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There is no cost burden to respondents or record keepers resulting from the collection of information. Changed to reflect current cost structure. CHRC burden removed as it is covered in a different PRA.

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all respondents as a result	
of this information	
collection will be	
approximately \$3,600,000.	

14. Provide estimates of annualized cost to the Federal Government.
Also, provide a description of the method used to estimate cost, and other expenses that would not have been incurred without this collection of information.

The cost to the government for conducting this collection of information stems from the modification of a webbased portal and the electronic processing of 101,625 cargo employee background checks the first year, and 15,395 each year afterwards. Based on information provided to us by the contractor responsible for this aspect of the program, the initial computer program modification will cost approximately \$500,000, and it will cost approximately \$2,400,000 per year for the shared application over the next three years, which comes to an annual total of \$7.7 million for system modification, operations, data, and maintenance

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The average annual cost to the government for conducting this collection of information is \$6,510,403. This total is comprised of several components. First, the average annual cost of \$23,474 to review new security programs by a TSA Principal Security **Inspector** is calculated by taking the loaded average hourly wage rate of \$68.85 at two hours and fifteen minutes multiplied by the 152 annual average new program submissions. The average annual cost of \$698,488 to review updated security programs by a TSA **Principal Security Inspector** is calculated by taking the loaded average hourly wage rate

Changed to reflect current known costs and populations.

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	and fifteen minutes	
	multiplied by the 4,509	
	annual average new	
	program submissions.	
	The total average annual	
	cost of \$8,398 to review	
	cargo reporting is	
	calculated by applying	
	the loaded average	
	hourly wage rate of	
	\$50.24 for a TSA H Band	
	employee at 6 hours per	
	month for 12 reviews per	
	year with the loaded	
	average hourly wage rate	
	of \$66.40 for a TSA I	
	Band employee at 6	
	hours per month for 12	
	reviews per year. TSA	
	will incur average	
	annual costs for KSMS	
	of \$3,600,000 for an	
	outside contract and	
	\$750,000 for operations	
	and maintenance for a	
	total of \$4,350,000. TSA	
	will also incur average	
	annual costs for STAs of	
	\$750,000 for operations	
	and maintenance and	
	\$680,043 (\$17 fee	
	multiplied by 40,003	
	average annual	
	applicants) for STA fees	
	for a total of \$1,430,043.	

15. Explain the reasons for any program changes or adjustments reported in Items 13 or 14 of the OMB Form 83-I.	15. Explain the reasons for any program changes or adjustments reported in Items 13 or 14 of the OMB Form 83-I.	Changed to reflect that this is a renewal, not a new collection.
This is a new collection of information.	This is a renewal of an expiring collection of information. The existing populations covered in this ICR as reflected in the burden estimate provided above, including KSMS, have increased. We have also provided more detailed burden estimates for cargo reporting.	