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SUBJECT: Request for OMB Approval for the Renewal of the Application Package  
for the U.S.-Brazil Higher Education Consortia Program

The Office of Postsecondary Education requests that you OMB consider approval of an extension of the currently approved collection for the U.S. – Brazil Higher Education Program. This information was previously approved as OMB 1840-0761 which expires on 10/31/09. We are requesting approval of the new application package in order to invite new applications for the U.S.-Brazil Program in the early fall (October) of 2009.

We have attached the Information Collection Submission Worksheets Parts I and II, supporting documents and the Application Package for the U.S.-Brazil Program.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.