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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Agency Information Collection Activities: Form I-817; Extension  
of an Existing Information Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of  
Homeland Security.

ACTION: 60-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review; Form I-  
817, Application for Family Unity Benefits; OMB Control No. 1615-0005.

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The Department 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 August 14, 2009.

During this 60 day period, USCIS will be evaluating whether to  
revise the Form I-817. Should USCIS decide to revise Form I-817 we will  
advise the public when we publish the 30-day notice in the Federal  
Register in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. The public  
will then have 30 days to comment on any revisions to the Form I-817.

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 Products Division,  
Clearance Officer, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20529-  
2210. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202-272-  
8352 or via e-mail at [rfs.regs@dhs.gov](mailto:rfs.regs@dhs.gov). When submitting comments by e-  
mail, please make sure to add OMB Control No. 1615-0005 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 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 an existing information collection.

(2) Title of the Form/Collection: Application for Family Unity Benefits.

(3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection: Form I-817; 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

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households. The information collected will be used to determine whether the applicant meets the eligibility requirements for benefits under 8 CFR 236.14 and 245a.33.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: 6,000 responses at 2 hours per response.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 12,000 annual burden hours.

If you need a copy of the information collection instrument, please visit the Web site at: [http:// www.regulations.gov/](http://www.regulations.gov/).

We may also be contacted at: USCIS, Regulatory Products Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20529-2210, Telephone number 202-272-8377.

Dated: June 10, 2009.

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