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The Office of Management and Budget 725 17th Street, NW Washington, DC 20503

Dear OIRA Desk Officer:

Pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 1320.13, the Peace Corps requests emergency approval by June 8, 2011, of the use of the National Agency Check (NAC) Questionnaire for Peace Corps Volunteer Background Investigation (herein "NAC form") (OMB Control Number 0420-0001). The NAC form is an essential vehicle which the Peace Corps uses to screen potential volunteers for illegal and undesirable behaviors. We are seeking an emergency clearance to allow us to continue our eligibility and selection process as outlined in 22 CFR 305.4. The collection of information expired on February 28, 2011, after the clearance officer failed to file the appropriate paperwork in a timely manner.

The Peace Corps has determined that this request meets the criteria of 5 CFR 1320.13 in that the collection of information is needed prior to the expiration of time periods established under 5 CFR 1320, it is essential to the mission of Peace Corps to collect this information. The Peace Corps has filed the 60-day Federal Register Notice to begin the normal clearance process on May 20, 2011, however, we cannot reasonably comply with the normal clearance procedures. The use of normal clearance procedures, which will take at least 90 days, will hinder the mission of the Peace Corps by not allowing us to screen. The emergency notice that Peace Corps will publish in the Federal Register is also enclosed.

If you have any questions and/or confirm a publication date, please call Denora Miller, Freedom of Information Act Officer at (202) 692-1236, fax 202-692-1385 or dmiller4@peacecorps.gov.

Sincerely.

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