## Form **13997** (October 2009)

Department of the Treasury — Internal Revenue Service

## **Validating Your TIN and Reasonable Cause**

OMB No. 1545-2144

Date (mmddyyyy)

| 1. If you have a TIN, please provide your correct SSN and/or TIN and a written statement of reasonable cause in the respective spaces provided below:                                     |   |
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| Your Social Security Number (SSN)   | Your Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) |
| a.  | b.  |
| c. Written Statement of Reasonable Cause (attach separate page(s) if necessary).  |   |
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| 2. If you do not have a TIN, please provide us a statement explaining why you do not have a TIN or SSN (attach separate page(s) if necessary).  |   |
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| Under penalties of perjury, I declare that the facts presented in this form and as set out in the accompanying statement of facts, schedules, and other statements are, to the best of my |   |
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## **Privacy Act Statement**

knowledge and belief, true, correct, and complete.

Print your name

Your Signature

Taxpayer Attestation

The information solicited on a passport application is requested pursuant to provisions of Titles 8, 18, and 22 of the United States Code, including 22 U.S.C. 211a, 212, 213, and regulations issued pursuant to Executive Order 11295 (August 5, 1966), including part 51, Title 22, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Failure to provide certain information requested on a passport application may subject you to a \$500 penalty under Internal Revenue Code section 6039E. The Internal Revenue Service's legal right to ask for this information is section 6039E.

We ask for this information to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. The primary purpose for soliciting the information is to establish whether you are liable for a penalty under Internal Revenue Code section 6039E. Your response is mandatory. Failure to provide the information requested on this form, or providing false or fraudulent information, may subject you to further penalties. In particular, false statements made knowingly and willfully in passport applications or in affidavits or other supporting documents submitted therewith are punishable by fine and/or imprisonment under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1001 and/or 1542.

We may disclose this information to the Department of Justice for civil or criminal litigation, and to other federal agencies as provided by law. We may also give it to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths or possessions to carry out their laws. We may give it to foreign governments pursuant to treaties with the United States. We may disclose this information to federal and state agencies to enforce federal non-tax laws, or federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism