Supporting Detail for 1615-0026 I-526 Change Request

In its efforts to continue converting information collections to an electronic environment, USCIS has implemented collection of form I-526, OMB Control Number 1615-0026, via the ELIS electronic environment. The form I-526 requires respondents to submit documents supporting their application including evidence that they have invested in a business project and details regarding the project.

To further convert the process to a more complete electronic one, USCIS is creating an electronic document library that will contain relevant documents for various projects that I-924 (OMB Control Number 1615-0061) respondents submit as part of their project plan. These documents are the same ones that I-526 respondents must submit in conjunction with their filings and USCIS will allow these respondents to identify relevant electronic documents via attestation as supportive to their filing, and the I-526 respondents will no longer be required to manually submit the documentation.

This Change Request is to establish the attestation page I-526 (1615-0026). The collection will remain unchanged other than respondents will now be able to choose whether to manually submit the documentation electronically or manually. The additional instruction will not change the hour burden calculation as the respondent will still be required to gather all material and then, at the time of decision of transmission method, will follow those specific instructions related to either the attestation or manually submission.