Addendum to Supporting Statement for Form SSA-753

**Statement Regarding Marriage**

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**Revisions to the Information Collection**

* **Change # 1:** Revising the language “His (Her)” to “Worker’s” Social Security Number.

**Justification:**  Changing “His (Her)” to “Worker’s” for consistency on the form.

* **Change #2:** We are revising Question 4 to: “To your knowledge, were (are) the Worker and Applicant generally known as a married couple?”

**Justification #2:**  In recognizing same-sex couples, we now use gender-neutral language acknowledging that a question or a statement on a form could refer to two same-sex individuals in a marriage. Changing “husband and wife” to “a married couple.”

* **Change #3:** We are revising Question 5 to: “Did you consider them a married couple?”

**Justification#3:** In recognizing same-sex couples, we now use gender-neutral language acknowledging that a question or a statement on a form could refer to two same-sex individuals in a marriage. We are changing “husband and wife” to “married couple.”

* **Change #4:** We are revising Question 6 to: “Did you hear them refer to each other as a spouse?”

**Justification #4:** In recognizing same-sex couples, we now use gender-neutral language acknowledging that a question or a statement on a form could refer to two same-sex individuals in a marriage. Changing “husband and wife” to “a married couple.”

* **Change #5:** We are revisingQuestion 7 to: “In your opinion, did (do) they maintain a home and live together as a married couple?”

**Justification #5:** In recognizing same-sex couples, we now use gender-neutral language acknowledging that a question or a statement on a form could refer to two same-sex individuals in a marriage. Changing “husband and wife” to “a married couple.”

* **Change #6:**  We are revising the PRA statement on this form.

**Justification #6:** We are revising the PRA statement to reflect our current boilerplate language.  The current language, which dates back to the last reprint of the form, is now outdated.

* **Change #7:** We are revising the Privacy Act Statement on this form.

**Justification #7:**  SSA’s Office of the General Counsel is conducting a systematic review of SSA’s Privacy Act Statements on agency forms. As a result, SSA is updating the Privacy Act Statement on the form.