NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

**National Endowment for the Arts** 

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

SUMMARY:

The National Endowment for the Arts, on behalf of the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities, will submit the following public information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub.L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35): Application for International Indemnification. Copies of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained at <a href="https://www.reginfo.gov">www.reginfo.gov</a>.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn:

OMB Desk Officer for the National Endowment for the Arts, Office of

Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, D.C. 20503 (202/395-4718). Copies of any comments should be provided to Patricia Loiko (National Endowment for the Arts, 400 7th street SW., Washington, DC 20506). To be assured of consideration, comments should be submitted to OMB within thirty days of this publication in the Federal Register.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- 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 submissions of responses.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) requests the review of its application guidelines. This entry is issued by the NEA and contains the following information: (1) the title of the form; (2) how often the required information must be reported; (3) who will be required or asked to report; (4) what the form will be used for; (5) an estimate of the number of responses; (6) the average burden hours per response; (7) an estimate of the total number of hours needed to prepare the form. This entry is not subject to 44 U.S.C. §3504(h).

**Agency**: National Endowment for the Arts

**Title**: Application for International Indemnification

**OMB Number**: 3135-0094

Frequency: Renewed every three years

Affected Public: Non-profit, tax exempt organizations, and governmental units

Number of Respondents: 40 per year

Estimated Time per Respondent: 45 hours

Estimate Cost per Respondent: \$2,097

**Total Burden Hours**: 1800

**Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs:** 0

Total Annual Costs (Operating/Maintaining Systems or Purchasing

**Services)**: \$121,200

Description: This application form is used by non-profit, tax-exempt organizations (primarily museums), and governmental units to apply to the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities (through the NEA) for indemnification of eligible works of art and artifacts, borrowed from lenders in the United States for exhibition in the United States. The indemnity agreement is backed by the full faith and credit of the United States. In the event of loss or damage to an indemnified object, the Federal Council certifies the validity of the claim and requests payment from Congress. 20 U.S.C. 973 et seq. requires such an application and specifies information which must be supplied. This statutory requirement is implemented by regulation at 45 CFR II60.4.

**Dated**: May 4, 2017

Kathy Daum

Director, Administrative Services Office

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