

**Addendum to Supporting Statement for Form SSA-754-F4**  
**Statement Marital Relationship**  
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**Revisions to the Information Collection**

- **Change #1:** In Question 4, we are removing “in a husband and wife” and entering “as spouses?”

**Justification #1:** 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.

- **Change #2:** In Question 5.B, we are removing “husband and wife” and entering “spouses”

**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.

- **Change #3:** In Question 6, we are revising the question:

From: “Did you have an understanding to your relationship when you began living together?”

To: “Did you and the person you were living with have an understanding about your relationship when you began living together?”

**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 and rewriting the question for grammatical purposes.

- **Change #4:** In Question 7, we are revising the question:

From: “Did you have an understanding as to how long you would live together?”

To: “Did you and the person you were living with have an understanding about how long you would live together?”

**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 and rewriting question for grammatical purposes.

- **Change #5:** In Question 12.A, we are changing language:

From: “Before you lived together (MAN’S NAME)”

To: “your name before you lived together”

**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.

- **Change #6:** In Question 12.B, we are changing language:

From: “Before you lived together (WOMAN’S NAME)”

To: “The person’s name before you lived together”

**Justification #6:** 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

- **Change #7:** In Question 12.C, we are changing language:

From: “Since you lived together (MAN’S NAME)”

To: “Your name since you lived together”

**Justification #7:** 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.

- **Change #8:** In Question 12.D, we are changing language:

From: “Since you lived together (WOMAN’S NAME)”

To: “The person’s name since you lived together”

**Justification #8:** 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.

- **Change #9:** In Question 13, in the chart, we are revising the question:

From: “HUSBAND/ WIFE”

To: “Spouse”

**Justification #9:** 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.

- **Change #10:** In Question 16, we are changing the question:

From: “How was mail addressed to you?”

To: “How was mail addressed to you and the other person with whom you were living?”

**Justification #10:** 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.

- **Change #11:** In Question 19, we are adding the following headings to the chart:

- o “Name” in the first column
- o “Address” in the second column
- o “Relationship” in the third column.

**Justification #11:** We are making this change to be consistent with headings on the charts throughout the form.

- **Change #12:** In Question 21.A, we are revising the language:

From: “Did you ever live with any other person as Husband and Wife?”

To: “Did you ever live with any other person as spouses?”

**Justification #12:** 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.

- **Change #13:** In Question 22.A, we are revising the language:

From: “Did the person named in Item 3 ever live with anyone else as Husband and Wife?”

To: “Did the person named in Item 3 ever live with anyone else as Spouses?”

**Justification #13:** 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.