SUPPORTING STATEMENT Internal Revenue Service (IRS) U.S. Departing Alien Income Tax Statement Form 2063 OMB Number 1545-0138

17680. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

Form 2063 reflects IRC section 6851(d) and Reg. section 1.6851-2. It is used by a resident alien against whom a termination assessment has not been made, or a nonresident alien who has no taxable income from United States sources. It is used by aliens departing the U.S. to certify that they have satisfied all U.S. income tax obligations and should be kept with the passport.

Regulation section 1.6851-2(i)(2) requires servants who do not accompany another individual bearing a diplomatic passport departing the US or its possessions to obtain a certificate of compliance. However, such certificate will be issued to him on Form 2063 without examination as to his income tax liability upon presentation to the district director for the internal revenue district in which the servant is located of a letter from the chief of the diplomatic mission to which the servant is attached certifying (i) that the name of the servant appears on the "White List", a list of employees of diplomatic missions, and (ii) that the servant is not obligated to the United States for any income tax, and will not be so obligated up to and including the intended date of departure. The recordkeeping burden associated with this is included in the burden for Form 2063.

17681. USE OF DATA

The data is used by the IRS to certify that departing aliens have complied with U.S. income tax laws.

17682. USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN

IRS publication, regulations, notices and letters are to be electronically enabled on an as practicable basis in accordance with the IRS Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998. Due to the low volume of filers and information being submitted, electronic enabling is not feasible or cost effective.

17683. EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY DUPLICATION

The information obtained through this collection is unique and is not already available or use or adaption from another source.

17684. METHODS TO MINIMIZE BURDEN ON SMALL BUSINESSES OR OTHER SMALL ENTITIES

There are no small entities affected by this collection.

6. <u>CONSEQUENCES OF LESS FREQUENT COLLECTION ON FEDERAL PROGRAMS OR POLICY</u> <u>ACTIVITIES</u>

The information required is needed to verify compliance with section 6851(d) and section 1.6851-2, of the Internal Revenue Code of the Treasury Regulations. A less frequent collection of taxes and tax information could adversely affect the government's effectiveness and would reduce the oversight of the public in ensuring compliance with Internal Revenue Code and hinder the IRS from meeting its mission.

7. <u>SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRING DATA COLLECTION TO BE INCONSISTENT WITH</u> GUIDELINES IN 5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2)

There are no special circumstances requiring data collection to be inconsistent with Guidelines in 5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2).

8. <u>CONSULTATION WITH INDIVIDUALS OUTSIDE OF THE AGENCY ON AVAILABILITY OF DATA,</u> <u>FREQUENCY OF COLLECTION, CLARITY OF INSTRUCTIONS AND FORMS, AND DATA ELEMENTS</u>

In response to the Federal Register notice dated July 30, 2019 (84 FR 37009), we received no comments during the comment period regarding these regulations.

9. EXPLANATION OF DECISION TO PROVIDE ANY PAYMENT OR GIFT TO RESPONDENTS

No payment or gift has been provided to any respondents.

10. ASSURANCE OF CONFIDENTIALITY OF RESPONSES

Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential as required by 26 USC 6103.

11. JUSTIFICATION OF SENSITIVE QUESTIONS

A privacy impact assessment (PIA) has been conducted for information collected under this request as part of the "Individual Master File (IMF)" system and a Privacy Act System of Records notice (SORN) has been issued for this system under IRS 24.030-CADE Individual Master File and IRS 34.037 IRS Audit Trail and Security Records System. The Internal Revenue Service PIAs can be found at http://www.irs.gov/uac/Privacy-Impact-Assessments-PIA.

Title 26 USC 6109 requires inclusion of identifying numbers in returns, statements, or other documents for securing proper identification of persons required to make such returns, statements, or documents and is the authority for social security numbers (SSNs) in IRS systems.

12. ESTIMATED BURDEN OF INFORMATION COLLECTION

We estimate that there are 20,540 responses per year that will complete Form 2063 and keep records. We estimate that it will take an average of .83 hours per response for a total burden estimate to be 17,049 hours.

Form 2063	Description	# Responde nts	# Responses Per Respondent	Total Annual Responses	Hours Per Response	Total Burden
Form 2063	U.S. Departing Alien Income Tax Statement	20,540	1	20,540	.83	17,049
	Totals	20,540	1	20,540		17,049

13. ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL COST BURDEN TO RESPONDENTS

To ensure more accuracy and consistency across its information collections, IRS is currently in the process of revising the methodology it uses to estimate burden and costs. Once this methodology is complete, IRS will update this information collection to reflect a more precise estimate of burden and costs.

14. ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The Federal government cost estimate is based on a model that considers the following three cost factors for each information product: aggregate labor costs for development, including annualized start-up expenses, operating and maintenance expenses, and distribution of the product that collects the information.

The government computes cost using a multi-step process. First, the government creates a weighted factor for the level of effort to create each information collection product based on variables such as; complexity, number of pages, type of product and frequency of revision. Second, the total costs associated with developing the product such as labor cost, and operating expenses associated with the downstream impact such as support functions, are added together to obtain the aggregated total cost. Then, the aggregated total cost and factor are multiplied together to obtain the aggregated cost per product. Lastly, the aggregated cost per product is added to the cost of shipping and printing each product to IRS offices, National Distribution Center, libraries and other outlets. The result is the Government cost estimate per product.

Product	Aggregate Cost per Product (factor applied)		Printing and Distribution		<u>Government Cost</u> <u>Estimate per</u> <u>Product</u>	
Form 2063	\$ 14,216		0		\$ 14,216	
Grand Total	\$14,216		0		\$14,216	
Table costs are based on 2018 actuals obtained from IRS Chief Financial Office and Media and Publications						
* New product costs will be included in the next collection update.						

The government cost estimate for this collection is summarized in the table below.

15. <u>REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN</u>

There are no changes being made to the notice or burden estimates at this time.

	Requested	Program Change Due to New Statute	Program Change Due to Agency Discretion	Change Due to Adjustment in Agency Estimate	Change Due to Potenti al Violatio n of the PRA	Previously Approved
Annual Number of Responses for this IC	20,540	0	0	0	0	20,540
Annual IC Time Burden (Hours)	17,049	0	0	0	0	17,049

16. PLANS FOR TABULATION, STATISTICAL ANALYSIS AND PUBLICATION

There are no plans for tabulation, statistical analysis, and publication.

17. <u>REASONS WHY DISPLAYING THE OMB EXPIRATION DATE IS INAPPROPRIATE</u>

The IRS believes that displaying the OMB expiration date is inappropriate because it could cause confusion by leading taxpayers to believe that the form sunsets as of the expiration date. Taxpayers are not likely to be aware that the Service intends to request renewal of the OMB approval and obtain a new expiration date before the old one expires.

18. EXCEPTIONS TO THE CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

There are no exceptions to the certification statement.

Note: The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information in this submission:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.