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Subject: Non-Substantive Change Request – Family Reunification Packet for Sponsors of Unaccompanied Children (OMB #0970-0278)

This memo requests approval of a non-substantive change to the approved information collection, Family Reunification Packet (FRP) for Sponsors of Unaccompanied Children (OMB #0970-0278).

BACKGROUND

The FRP for Sponsors of Unaccompanied Children information collection contains four instruments that allow ORR to collect information necessary to determine the suitability of a proposed sponsor for unaccompanied children as required by the Homeland Security Act (6 U.S.C. 279), the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 (8 U.S.C. 1232), and the *Flores* Settlement Agreement (No. CV85-4544-RJK (C.D. Cal. 1996)). The collection was last approved by OMB on August 24, 2022, and expires on August 31, 2025.

OVERVIEW OF REQUESTED CHANGES

ORR is proposing revisions to the web-based version of the *Authorization for Release of Information* (Form FRP-2) and *Family Reunification Application* (Form FRP-3), the Sponsor Experience App. These revisions will improve the functionality and user experience, and reduce burden.

Section 1: Authorization and Section 2: Background (Authorization for Release of Information (Form FRP-2))

ORR proposes changing the order of appearance for these sections so that Background becomes Section 1 and Authorization becomes Section 2. This revision will allow case managers to assist sponsors who need help with their applications by pre-filling fields in the Background section, the same way they currently do with the PDF version of Form FRP-2. The sponsor may then review the pre-filled information entered by the case manager for accuracy, read and sign the Authorization section, and submit the completed form in the app.

No other changes are proposed for fields in these sections. The PDF version of the Form FRP-2 generated by the app will continue to look the same as the fillable PDF version.

Section 5: Alternate Caregiver (Family Reunification Application (Form FRP-3))

ORR proposes adding the below follow-up questions to facilitate auto-population of information already entered by the sponsor in Section 4: Household Information. Sponsors often select a member of their household to serve as their alternate caregiver, therefore, the addition of these questions will reduce data entry burden for many sponsors.

- *Is the alternative caregiver an adult household member (greater than 18 years old)?*
- *Which adult household member would be the alternative caregiver?*

The second question only appears if sponsor answers “yes” to the first question and provides a dropdown list of household members from which the sponsor may select the alternate caregiver. The selected individual’s first name, last name, and date of birth will then auto-populate in the fields below the second question.

Since the purpose of these questions is solely to facilitate auto-population in the app, they will not be added to the PDF version of Form FRP-3.