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Dated: October 16, 2001.
By direction of the Secretary.

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Management Analyst, Information Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0114]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 29, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Information Management Service (045A4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030, FAX (202) 273-5981 or e-mail: denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0114."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Statement of Marital Relationship, VA Form 21-4170.
OMB Control Number: 2900-0114.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 21-4170 is used to develop the evidence to determine a claimed common law marriage can be recognized by VA. Without this information, VA would have no means of determining the proper marital status of the veteran.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection

of information was published on August 14, 2001, at pages 42707-42708.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 3,000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6,000.

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0114" in any correspondence.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0355]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 29, 2001.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Verification of Pursuit of Course (Leading to a Standard College Degree

Under Chapters 32, 34, and 35, Title 38, U.S.C., and Section 903 of Public Law 96-342), VA Form 22-6553.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0355.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 22-6553 is used to verify continued enrollment or report changes in enrollment status for students receiving educational benefits in pursuit of a college course. Schools are required to report, without delay to VA, when a student fails to enroll, has interrupted, terminated a program, has unsatisfactory progress or conduct. VA uses the information from the current collection to ensure that schools promptly report changes in training and if a student's education benefits are to be continued unchanged, increased, decreased, or terminated. Without this information, VA might underpay or overpay benefits.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on July 11, 2001, at page 36366.

Affected Public: State, local or tribal government and not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Annual Burden: 9,333 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Frequency of Response: The frequency of responses for each educational institution will vary according to the number of students who receive VA education benefits at that school. VA estimates an annual average of 10 responses per educational institution.

Estimated Number of Respondents: The number of respondents is arrived at based on the average number of educational institutions using VA Form 22-6553 which had veterans or eligible persons enrolled during the last 12 months, and a projected number of trainees. VA currently has an average of 5,600 active educational institutions (colleges, universities, or other institutions of higher learning).

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