

1057

1 nized statistical rating organizations to provide ini-
 2 tial ratings, the Commission shall submit to Congress
 3 a report that provides recommendations of—
 4 “(A) the continuation of the Board;
 5 “(B) any modification to the procedures of
 6 the Board; and
 7 “(C) modifications to the provisions in this
 8 subsection.”.

BILLING CODE 8011-01-C

[FR Doc. 2011-11877 Filed 5-13-11; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 8011-01-C

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION**Agency Information Collection
Activities: Proposed Request and
Comment Request**

The Social Security Administration (SSA) publishes a list of information collection packages requiring clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with Public Law 104-13, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, effective October 1, 1995. This notice includes revisions of OMB-approved information collections.

SSA is soliciting comments on the accuracy of the agency's burden estimate; the need for the information; its practical utility; ways to enhance its quality, utility, and clarity; and ways to minimize burden on respondents,

including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Mail, e-mail, or fax your comments and recommendations on the information collection(s) to the OMB Desk Officer and SSA Reports Clearance Officer at the following addresses or fax numbers.

(OMB)

Office of Management and Budget,
Attn: Desk Officer for SSA, Fax: 202-
395-6974, E-mail address:
OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.

(SSA)

Social Security Administration,
DCBFM, Attn: Reports Clearance
Officer, 1333 Annex Building, 6401
Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21235,
Fax: 410-965-6400, E-mail address:
OPLM.RCO@ssa.gov.

I. The information collections below are pending at SSA. SSA will submit them to OMB within 60 days from the date of this notice. To be sure we

consider your comments, we must receive them no later than July 15, 2011. Individuals can obtain copies of the collection instruments by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at 410-965-8783 or by writing to the above e-mail address.

1. *Application for Supplemental Security Income (SSI)—20 CFR 416.207 and 416.305-416-335, Subpart C—0960-0229*. The SSI program provides aged, blind, and disabled individuals, who have little or no income, funds for food, clothing, and shelter. Individuals complete Form SSA-8000 to apply for SSI. SSA uses information from Form SSA-8000 and its electronic Intranet counterpart, the Modernized SSI Claims System (MSSICS), to determine: (1) Whether SSI claimants meet all statutory and regulatory eligibility requirements and (2) SSI payment amounts. The respondents are applicants for SSI.

Type of Request: Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Type of response	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Average burden per response (minutes)	Total annual burden (hours)
Paper Form	26,548	1	36	15,929
MSSICS	143,095	1	34	81,087
MSSICS/w Signature Proxy	1,157,767	1	34	656,068
Totals	1,327,410			753,084

2. *Disability Update Report—20 CFR 404.1589-404.1595 and 416.988-416.996—0960-0511*. SSA periodically reviews current disability beneficiaries' cases to determine if they should continue to receive disability payments. SSA uses Form SSA-455 to determine if: (1) There is enough evidence to

warrant referring the case for a full medical Continuing Disability Review (CDR); (2) the beneficiary's impairment is unchanged or only slightly changed, precluding the need for a CDR; or (3) there are unresolved work-related issues. The respondents are recipients of Social Security disability benefits.

Type of Request: Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Number of Respondents: 1,100,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 275,000 hours.

II. SSA submitted the information collections below to OMB for clearance. Your comments regarding the information collections would be most useful if OMB and SSA receive them within 30 days from the date of this publication. To be sure we consider your comments, we must receive them no later than June 15, 2011. Individuals can obtain copies of the OMB clearance packages by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at 410-965-8783 or by writing to the above e-mail address.

1. Railroad Employment

Questionnaire—20 CFR 404.1401, 404.1406–404.1408—0960–0078. Railroad workers, their dependents, or survivors can concurrently apply for railroad retirement and Social Security benefits at SSA whenever the number holder, or claimant on the number holder's Social Security number, worked in the railroad industry. SSA uses the SSA-671 to coordinate Social Security claims processing with the Railroad Retirement Board, and to determine benefit entitlement and amount. The respondents are Social Security benefit applicants employed by a railroad or are dependents of railroad workers.

Type of Request: Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Number of Respondents: 125,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden of Response: 5 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 10,417 hours.

2. Government Pension

Questionnaire—20 CFR 404.408a—

0960–0160. When someone is concurrently receiving spouse or surviving spousal Social Security benefits and a government pension based on non-Social Security earnings, SSA may reduce the benefit amount by two-thirds the amount of the government pension under the Social Security Act's Government Pension Offset (GPO) provision. We use the SSA-3885, Government Pension Questionnaire, to document such cases. SSA uses the information to determine whether GPO applies, to identify exceptions, and to determine the benefit-reduction amount and effective date. The respondents are individuals and households.

Type of Request: Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Number of Respondents: 76,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 12.5 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 15,833 hours.

3. Annual Earnings Test Direct Mail Follow-Up Program Notices—20 CFR

404.452–404.455—0960–0369. SSA developed the Annual Earnings Test Direct Mail Follow-up Program to improve beneficiary reporting on work and earnings during the year and earnings information at the end of the year. SSA may reduce benefits payable under the Social Security Act when an individual has wages or self-employment income exceeding the annual exempt amount. SSA identifies beneficiaries likely to receive more than the annual exempt amount, and requests more frequent estimates of earnings from them. When applicable, SSA also requests a future year estimate to reduce overpayments due to earnings. SSA sends letters (SSA-L9778, L9779, L9781, L9784, L9785, and L9790) to beneficiaries requesting earnings information the month prior to their attainment of full retirement age. We send each beneficiary a tailored letter that includes relevant earnings data from SSA records. The Annual Earnings Test Direct Mail Follow-up Program helps to ensure Social Security payments are correct. The respondents are working Social Security beneficiaries.

Type of Request: Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Modality of completion paper version	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Average burden per response (minutes)	Total annual burden (hours)
SSA-L9778	42,630	1	10	7,105
SSA-L9779	158,865	1	10	26,478
SSA-L9781	472,437	1	10	78,740
SSA-L9784	1,270	1	10	212
SSA-L9785	15,870	1	10	2,645
SSA-L9790	45,000	1	10	7,500
Totals	736,072			122,680

4. Medicare Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amount—Life-Changing Event Form—0960–0784. Per the Medicare Modernization Act of 2003, reductions in the Federal subsidy for Medicare medical coverage (Medicare Part B) result in selected Medicare Part B recipients paying an income-related monthly adjustment amount (IRMAA). The Internal Revenue Service transmits income tax return data to SSA for SSA to determine the IRMAA. SSA uses Form SSA-44 to determine if a recipient qualifies for a reduction in the IRMAA. If affected Medicare recipients believe

SSA should use more recent tax data because of a life-changing event that significantly reduces their income, they can report these changes to SSA and ask for a new initial determination of their IRMAA.

In November 2010, we requested emergency OMB clearance for a new SSA-44 to fulfill the provisions of the Affordable Care Act (Pub. L. 111–148), which mandates reductions in the Federal Medicare Part D prescription drug coverage subsidies, resulting in higher premiums for those who have this coverage and who have income

above a specific threshold. The provisions of the law became effective January 1, 2011, and we obtained emergency clearance for this form on November 23, 2010. We are now seeking full OMB clearance for this form. The respondents are Medicare Part B and prescription drug coverage recipients and enrollees with modified adjusted gross income over a high-income threshold who experience one of the eight significant life-changing events.

Type of Request: Extension of an OMB-approved information collection.

Method of information collection	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Average burden per response (minutes)	Estimated annual burden (hours)
Personal Interview (SSA field office)	147,000	1	30	73,500
Paper Form (mailed)	39,000	1	45	29,250
Totals	186,000			102,750

Dated: May 11, 2011.

Faye Lipsky,

Reports Clearance Officer, Center for Reports Clearance, Social Security Administration.

[FR Doc. 2011-11958 Filed 5-13-11; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4191-02-P

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 7457]

The Designation of Badruddin Haqqani Also Known as Atiqullah as a Specially Designated Global Terrorist Pursuant to Section 1(b) of Executive Order 13224, as Amended

Acting under the authority of and in accordance with section 1(b) of Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001, as amended by Executive Order 13268 of July 2, 2002, and Executive Order 13284 of January 23, 2003, I hereby determine that the individual known as Badruddin Haqqani, also known as Atiqullah, committed, or poses a significant risk of committing, acts of terrorism that threaten the security of U.S. nationals or the national security, foreign policy, or economy of the United States.

Consistent with the determination in section 10 of Executive Order 13224 that "prior notice to persons determined to be subject to the Order who might have a constitutional presence in the United States would render ineffectual the blocking and other measures authorized in the Order because of the ability to transfer funds instantaneously," I determine that no prior notice needs to be provided to any person subject to this determination who might have a constitutional presence in the United States, because to do so would render ineffectual the measures authorized in the Order.

This notice shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: April 1, 2011.

Hillary Rodham Clinton,
Secretary of State.

[FR Doc. 2011-11996 Filed 5-13-11; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4710-10-P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

[Docket No. FHWA-2011-0035]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Request for Comments for a New Information Collection

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The FHWA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval for a new information collection, which is summarized below under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. We published a **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day public comment period on this information collection on August 19, 2010. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Please submit comments by June 15, 2011.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments within 30 days to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention DOT Desk Officer. You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the FHWA's performance; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized, including the use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information. All comments should include the Docket number FHWA-2011-0135.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Heather Contrino, 202-366-5060, or Erica Interrante, 202-366-5048, Office of Transportation Policy Studies, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: The Next Generation of Travel Focus Groups.

Background: The awareness and use of new technologies, communication and travel options, as well as social norms will influence transportation needs of the future. As the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) considers the future outlook of an improved National Highway System, the transportation behaviors, perspectives and needs of the younger traveler cohort (ages 16-29) is a topic of study the agency is pursuing to better evaluate future planning and policy options.

The Next Generation of Travel study, being performed through the agency's Office of Transportation Policy Studies, will examine existing and future travel patterns, as well as how new vehicle and transportation-related technologies affect generations and the future of personal travel.

Certain generational implications on transportation that FHWA will be exploring include the following: mode choice, trip type and rates, travel time and distances, vehicle ownership and characteristics, vehicle occupancy, vehicle availability, travel costs, personal income, worker status, home and work location, life cycle, internet usage and telecommuting.

FHWA will be conducting a series of focus groups with individuals in the U.S. to gain additional understanding into the travel activities, choices and views of transportation by the traveling public. The focus groups will provide important information about the next several generations of travelers, playing a critical role in informing the outcomes of the data analysis, the accuracy of the traveler profiles, and other new or emerging norms and perspectives not identified in previous work. The information collected will also be used to identify new and emerging travel behavior, perspectives and social norms not covered through statistical analysis. This is the first time that FHWA will be conducting a study on this topic.

Respondents: Approximately 20 focus groups made up of 8-10 participants each from U.S. households will be held in different regions across the country. The focus groups will include