

Comment 12: Countervailability of European Coal and Steel Community Article 54 Loans  
 Comment 13: Countervailability of Pre-Privatization Retirement Benefits under Law 451/94  
 Comment 14: 1988 Equity Infusion

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 010801E]

#### South Pacific Tuna Act

**AGENCY:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).  
**ACTION:** Proposed collection; Comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before March 13, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20230 (or via Internet at MClayton@doc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Raymond P. Clarke, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Suite 1110, Honolulu, Hawaii 96814-4704, (808-973-2935 ext. 205), on the Internet at ray.clarke@noaa.gov.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

The Treaty on Fisheries Between the Governments of Certain Pacific Island States and the Government of the United States, signed in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea, in 1987, and its annexes, schedules and implementing agreements, as amended (Treaty), authorize U.S. tuna vessels to fish within fishing zones of a large region of the Pacific Ocean. The South Pacific Tuna Act (16 U.S.C. 973g and 973f) and

U.S. implementing regulations (50 CFR 282.3 and 282.5) authorize the collection of information from participants in the Treaty fishery.

Vessel operators who wish to participate in the Treaty fishery must submit annual license and registration applications and periodic written reports of catch and unloading of fish from a licensed vessel. The information collected is submitted to the Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA) through the U.S. government (National Marine Fisheries Service). License and registration application information is used by FFA to determine the operational capability and financial responsibility of a vessel operator interested in participating in the Treaty fishery. Information obtained from vessel catch and unloading reports is used by FFA to assess fishing effort and fishery resources in the region and to track the amount of fish caught within each Pacific island state's exclusive economic zone for fair disbursement of Treaty monies. If the information is not collected, the U.S. government will not meet its obligations under the Treaty, and the lack of fishing information will result in poor management of the fishery resources.

##### II. Method of Collection

The information is collected using forms required under the Treaty.

##### III. Data

*OMB Number:* 0648-0218.

*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* Business and other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 32.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 15 minutes for a license application or a registration application, 1 hour for a catch report, and 30 minutes for an unloading log sheet.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 248.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$576.

##### IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the

use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: January 4, 2001.

**Madeleine Clayton,**

*Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 010801D]

#### NOAA Customer Surveys

**AGENCY:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; Comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before March 13, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20230 (or via Internet at MClayton@doc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Richard Roberts, OFA1x1, Station 8118, 1305 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (phone 301-713-3525, ext. 115).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is planning to seek renewed Paperwork Reduction Act approval for a generic clearance for customer surveys conducted by NOAA program offices.

Under the generic clearance, specific surveys are submitted to OMB for fast-track approval if they are consistent with the types of questions approved in the generic clearance. NOAA uses the surveys to determine whether customers are satisfied with products and services received and to solicit suggestions for improvements.

## II. Method of Collection

Various methods are used, but the primary method is either a paper or electronic form.

## III. Data

*OMB Number:* 0648-0342.

*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* Individuals and households, business and other for-profit organizations, not-for-profit institutions, and state, local, or tribal governments.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 7,000.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* Response times vary with the specific survey, but average 15 minutes or less.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1,500.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$2,000.

## IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: January 4, 2001.

**Madeleine Clayton,**

*Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0014]

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Entitled Statement and Acknowledgment (Standard Form 1413)

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension of an existing OMB clearance (9000-0014).

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Statement and Acknowledgment (Standard Form 1413). The clearance currently expires on April 30, 2001.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Comments may be submitted on or before March 13, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, including suggestions for reducing this burden, should be submitted to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Linda Nelson Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-1900.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of

this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, should be submitted to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat, 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4037, Washington, DC 20405.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### A. Purpose

Standard Form 1413, Statement and Acknowledgment, is used by all Executive Agencies, including the Department of Defense, to obtain a statement from contractors that the proper clauses have been included in subcontracts. The form includes a signed contractor acknowledgment of the inclusion of those clause in the subcontract.

##### B. Annual Reporting Burden

*Respondents:* 31,500.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 2.

*Total Responses:* 63,000.

*Hours Per Response:* .05.

*Total Burden Hours:* 3,150.

##### Obtaining Copies of Proposals

Requester may obtain a copy of the justification from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0014, Statement and Acknowledgment, Standard Form 1413, in all correspondence.

Dated: January 9, 2001.

**Al Matera,**

*Acting Director, Federal Acquisition Policy Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0122]

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request Entitled Scope and Duration of Contract

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0122).