

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. Comments are requested regarding; whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection received by July 13, 2023 will be considered. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number, and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Title: Phytosanitary Export Certification.

OMB Control Number: 0579–0052.

Summary of Collection: The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is responsible for preventing plant diseases or insect pests from entering the United States, preventing the spread of pests and noxious weeds not widely distributed within the United States, and eradicating those imported pests when eradication is feasible. The Plant Protection Act

authorizes USDA to carry out this mission. APHIS will collect information using several forms and other information activities.

Need and Use of the Information: APHIS will use the information collected to locate shipments, guide inspection, and issue a certificate to meet the requirements of the importing country. Failure to provide this information would have an impact on many U.S. exporters who would no longer be able to engage in the business of exporting plants and plant products overseas.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit; State, and local or Tribal government.

Number of Respondents: 9,102.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 401,228.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Foreign Agricultural Service****Amendment; Notice of Intent for
Agricultural Policy Advisory
Committee (APAC) and the Related
Agricultural Technical Advisory
Committees (ATACs) for Trade**

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, United States Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Amendment Notice of Intent to Reestablish Agricultural Technical Advisory Committees (ATACs) and Continuation of Requests for Nominations.

SUMMARY: This notice is to amend the notice of renewal published on June 6, 2023, to give notice that the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) intends to reestablish the Agricultural Technical Advisory Committees (ATACs) for a 4-year period. Pursuant to Section 135 of the Trade Act of 1974 and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretary), in coordination with the United States Trade Representative (Trade Representative), notice of renewal for the Agricultural Policy Advisory Committee (APAC) and intent to reestablish the related Agricultural Technical Advisory Committees (ATACs) for Trade to provide detailed policy and technical advice, information, and recommendations

regarding trade barriers, negotiation of trade agreements, and implementation of existing trade agreements affecting food and agricultural products, including the performance of other advisory functions relevant to U.S. agricultural trade policy matters.

DATES: We will accept nominations for membership on the APAC and six ATACs throughout the four-year charter term of the committees (June 2023 through June 2027). New applicants are considered approximately every 12–18 months.

ADDRESSES: Electronic copies of the nomination materials should be sent to ATACs@usda.gov.

All nomination materials may also be mailed in a single, complete package to: Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Room 200A Jamie L. Whitten Building, Washington, DC 20250–1001, Attn: APAC/ATACs.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Darlene Maginnis, Group Federal Officer, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture at 202–868–7059; or by email at ATACs@usda.gov. You can find additional information about the APAC and ATACs on the Foreign Agricultural Service website at www.fas.usda.gov/atacs.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Rechartering of Existing Committees: Pursuant to Section 135 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2155 (c)) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, (5 U.S.C. 10), FAS gives notice that the Secretary and Trade Representative intends to renew the APAC and reestablish the following six ATACs:

- Animals and Animal Products;
- Fruits and Vegetables;
- Grains, Feed, Oilseeds, and Planting Seeds;
- Processed Foods;
- Sweeteners and Sweetener Products; and,

- Tobacco, Cotton, Peanuts and Hemp (newly revised title), amending the notice of renewal published under citation 88 FR 37507; FR Doc. 202312313 and filed on June 6, 2023.

In 1974, Congress established a private sector advisory committee system to ensure that U.S. trade policy and negotiation objectives adequately reflect U.S. commercial and economic interests. The private sector advisory committee system currently consists of three tiers:

- The President's Advisory Committee for Trade Policy and Negotiations;