

**Alternatives to Completing the Information Collection**

Members of the public who prefer not to use the online version of this IC, or who do not have access to the internet, may continue to visit an FO, call SSA's 800 Number (or an FO), or write to SSA to establish a protective filing date for an application for benefits.

**Need for Emergency Paperwork Reduction Act Approval**

Based on the unexpected decrease in SSI claim submissions, mostly from people facing barriers, SSA is concerned this population needs more options and flexibility to help them apply for SSI. Our goal in developing this new SSI claims tool is to offer that flexibility, and to make it as easy as possible to complete the process. We are seeking

emergency PRA approval because it is important to us to start offering this new tool to everyone, particularly underserved populations, as soon as we can. An emergency PRA approval would facilitate rapid rollout of the tool, and would mitigate the delay inherent in the extensive time period of the standard OMB approval cycle.

*Type of Request:* New (emergency) information collection.

Modality of completion	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Average burden per response (minutes)	Estimated total annual burden (hours)	Average theoretical hourly cost amount (dollars)*	Total annual opportunity cost (dollars)**
Respondent Type 1 (ex: Potential Applicants) .....	17,000	1	6	1,700	* \$27.07	** \$46,019
Respondent Type 2 (ex: Professional Assistors) .....	2,125	10	7	2,479	* 25.09	** 62,198
Respondent Type 3 (ex: Attorney Representatives) .....	2,125	2	7	496	* 71.59	** 35,509
Totals .....	21,250	.....	.....	4,675	.....	** 143,726

\* We based this figure on the average U.S. worker's hourly wages, as reported by Bureau of Labor Statistics data ([https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes\\_nat.htm#00-0000](https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes_nat.htm#00-0000)), on average wages for Community and Social Service Organizations as reported by Bureau of Labor Statistics data (<https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes210000.htm>), and on average lawyer's hourly salary as reported by Bureau of Labor Statistics data (<https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes231011.htm>).

\*\* This figure does not represent actual costs that SSA is imposing on recipients of Social Security payments to complete this online tool; rather, these are theoretical opportunity costs for the additional time respondents will spend to complete the tool. *There is no actual charge to respondents to complete the online tool.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

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**Notice of Shipping Coordinating Committee Meeting in Preparation for International Maritime Organization LEG 109 Meeting**

The Department of State will conduct a public meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, by way of teleconference. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the 109th session of the International Maritime Organization's (IMO) Legal Committee (LEG 109) to be held remotely from March 21 to March 25, 2022.

Members of the public may participate up to the capacity of the teleconference phone line, which can handle 500 participants. To RSVP, participants should contact the meeting coordinator, Mr. Stephen Hubchen, by email at [Stephen.K.Hubchen@uscg.mil](mailto:Stephen.K.Hubchen@uscg.mil). To access the teleconference line, participants should call (202) 475-4000 and use Participant Code: 877 239 87#.

The agenda items to be considered at this meeting mirror those to be considered at LEG 109, and include:

- Adoption of the agenda
- Report of the Secretary-General on credentials
- Facilitation of the entry into force and harmonized interpretation of the 2010 HNS Protocol
- Fair treatment of seafarers:
  - (a) Provision of financial security in case of abandonment of seafarers, and shipowners' responsibilities in respect of contractual claims for personal injury to, or death of, seafarers, in light of the progress of amendments to the ILO Maritime Labour Convention, 2006
  - (b) Fair treatment of seafarers in the event of a maritime accident
  - (c) Fair treatment of seafarers detained on suspicion of committing maritime crimes
  - (d) Guidelines for port State and flag State authorities on how to deal with seafarer abandonment cases
- Advice and guidance in connection with the implementation of IMO instruments
- Measures to prevent unlawful practices associated with the fraudulent registration and fraudulent registries of ships
- Measures to assess the need to amend liability limits

- Claims Manual for the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, 2001
- Piracy and armed robbery against ships
- Work of other IMO bodies
- Technical cooperation activities related to maritime legislation
- Review of the status of conventions and other treaty instruments emanating from the Legal Committee
- Work programme
- Election of officers
- Any other business
- Consideration of the report of the Committee on its 109th session

*Please note:* The IMO may, on short notice, adjust the LEG 109 agenda to accommodate the constraints associated with the virtual meeting format. Any changes to the agenda will be reported to those who RSVP.

Those who plan to participate may contact the meeting coordinator, Mr. Stephen Hubchen, by email at [Stephen.K.Hubchen@uscg.mil](mailto:Stephen.K.Hubchen@uscg.mil), by phone at (202) 372-1198, or in writing at United States Coast Guard (CG-LMI-P), ATTN: Mr. Stephen Hubchen, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. SE, Stop 7509, Washington, DC 20593-7509. Members of the public needing reasonable accommodation should advise Mr. Hubchen not later than March 8, 2022. Requests made after that

date will be considered, but might not be possible to fulfill.

Additional information regarding this and other IMO public meetings may be found at: <https://www.dco.uscg.mil/IMO>.

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice: 11670]

**International Seabed Authority**

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State will hold a public meeting to prepare for the meeting of the International Seabed Authority (ISA) Council to be held at ISA Headquarters, Kingston, Jamaica, from March 21–April 1, 2022.

**DATES:** The public meeting will be held via WebEx on March 16, 2022, 3 p.m.–4 p.m. Eastern Standard Time

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you would like to participate in this meeting, please send your (1) name, (2) organization/affiliation, and (3) email address and phone number, to Greg O'Brien at [OBrienGJ@state.gov](mailto:OBrienGJ@state.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of State will hold a public meeting at 3 p.m. EST on Wednesday, March 16, 2022, to prepare for the first part of the twenty-seventh session of the ISA Council. This public meeting will be held by way of WebEx, with a capacity of up to 1000 members of the public to participate. To RSVP, participants should contact the meeting coordinator, Greg O'Brien, by email at [OBrienGJ@state.gov](mailto:OBrienGJ@state.gov) for log on and dial-in information, and to request reasonable accommodation. Requests for reasonable accommodation received after March 11, 2022, will be considered but might not be possible to fulfill.

The ISA Council will convene the first part of its twenty-seventh session on March 21–April 1, 2022, at ISA Headquarters in Kingston, Jamaica. The agenda for this session includes the Draft regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area. Additional information on the ISA is available at [www.isa.org.jm](http://www.isa.org.jm).

We are inviting interested stakeholders to this virtual public meeting to share views about this session of the ISA Council, in particular to provide information to assist the U.S.

Government in developing its positions. We will provide a brief overview of the upcoming session and listen to the viewpoints of U.S. stakeholders.

Comments are particularly welcome on the Facilitator's text on Part IV and VI of the Draft regulations concerning protection and preservation of the marine environment and plans for closing a seabed mining area; the Facilitator's text draws on textual proposals from ISA delegations and various proposals of the Legal and Technical Commission. The Facilitator's text is document ISBA/27/C/IWG/ENV/CRP.1 and can be accessed at: <https://isa.org.jm/node/20859>. The information obtained from this session will help the U.S. observer delegation prepare for participation in the first part of the twenty-seventh session of the ISA Council.

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice 11663]

**Clean Energy Resources Advisory Committee**

**ACTION:** Announcement of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State will host a virtual, open meeting of the Clean Energy Resources Advisory Committee (CERAC). There will not be an in-person option for this meeting.

**DATES:**

*Date and Time:* CERAC will meet virtually March 15, 2022 from 11:00 to 12:30 (EST).

*Participation:* Members of the public wishing to participate must RSVP by March 8, 2022 via email to [CERAC@state.gov](mailto:CERAC@state.gov) (subject line: RSVP). The Department will provide login information prior to the meeting. Requests for reasonable accommodation should be submitted no later than March 8, 2022. Reasonable accommodation requests received after that date will be considered, but may not be possible to fulfill.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Bureau of Energy Resources Senior Energy Officer Sara Ferchichi at [CERAC@state.gov](mailto:CERAC@state.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Purpose:* This Committee will provide input and advice regarding energy minerals and metals, their supply chains, and end uses. The purpose of this inaugural meeting is to provide

introductions and discuss priorities for the Committee moving forward.

*Statements:* Comments should be emailed to [CERAC@state.gov](mailto:CERAC@state.gov) with "PUBLIC COMMENT" as the subject line at least 48 hours before the start of the meeting. During this meeting, there will not be an option for members of the public to make oral statements.

**Zachary A. Parker,**

*Director, Office of Directives Management, U.S. Department of State.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

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**National Action Plan on Responsible Business Conduct: Notice of Opportunity To Submit Written Comments**

**SUMMARY:** On June 16, 2021, Secretary of State Antony Blinken announced on behalf of the Biden-Harris Administration that the Department will soon begin updating and revitalizing the United States' National Action Plan on Responsible Business Conduct (NAP RBC) for U.S. businesses operating and investing abroad. This notice provides background and welcomes written comments concerning this initiative for U.S. Government agencies to take into account in developing the updated NAP RBC. Comments may concern issues addressed in the prior (2016) NAP RBC or other issues suggested as priorities.

**DATES:** Comments must be received May 31, 2022. Logistics for submitting comments are described below.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- *Electronic Submission:* Submit all electronic public comments via the Federal eRulemaking Portal.

1. Go to [www.regulations.gov/#DOS-2022-0002](http://www.regulations.gov/#DOS-2022-0002).

2. Click the "Comment Now!" icon and complete the required fields; and
3. Enter or attach your comments.

- *Mail:* Submit written comments to: ATTN: RBC–NAP, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20520, 2201 C St. NW, Washington, DC 20520, Office of Investment Affairs (EB/IFD/OIA), Room 4669.

*Instructions:* Comments sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or received after the end of the comment period, may not be considered. All comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be posted for public viewing on [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) without change. All personal identifying information