

the final rule published on October 7, 2003, effective November 6, 2003, 13 CFR 120.829(a) states that "A CDC's portfolio must maintain a minimum average of one Job Opportunity per an amount of 504 loan funding that will be specified by SBA from time to time in a **Federal Register** notice. Such Job Opportunity average remains in effect until changed by subsequent **Federal Register** publication." The current standard which was established in 1990 requires a CDC's portfolio to reflect an average of one Job Opportunity per \$35,000 of 504 loan funding. The AA/FA may permit a CDC to average up to one per \$45,000 for good cause in Alaska; Hawaii; State-designated urban or rural jobs and enterprise zones; Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities; and Labor Surplus Areas. During the past twelve years since the Job Opportunity requirement was last modified, the cost of acquiring real estate has increased substantially. For example, construction wages have increased more than 65 percent and the consumer price index has increased 50 percent during the same period. Due to the substantial increases in costs, SBA is modifying the requirements by approximately 43 percent effective November 6, 2003, as follows:

A CDC's portfolio must reflect an average of one Job Opportunity per \$50,000 of 504 loan funding. The AA/FA may permit a CDC to average up to one per \$65,000 for good cause for all 504 projects located in

- (1) Alaska;
- (2) Hawaii;
- (3) State-designated urban or rural jobs and enterprise zones;
- (4) Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities; and
- (5) Labor Surplus Areas as listed by the Department of Labor.

James E. Rivera,
Associate Administrator for Financial Assistance.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

New Agreement To Replace the Agreement Between the United States and Norway on Social Security; Entry Into Force

AGENCY: Social Security Administration.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commissioner of Social Security gives notice that on September 1, 2003, a new agreement entered into force that replaces the original U.S.-

Norwegian Social Security agreement that has been in effect since July 1, 1984. The new agreement, which was signed on November 30, 2001, was concluded pursuant to section 233 of the Social Security Act.

The new agreement updates and clarifies several provisions in the original U.S.-Norwegian Social Security agreement. Its primary purpose, however, is to permit U.S. citizens who have lived in Norway to receive full credit for their periods of residence under Norway's Social Security system and to increase thereby the amount of their Norwegian benefits. The new agreement also improves disability and survivors benefit protection under the Norwegian system for people who have worked in both countries.

Individuals who wish to obtain copies of the new agreement or want general information about its provisions may write to the Social Security Administration, Office of International Programs, Post Office Box 17741, Baltimore, Maryland 21235-7741. The Social Security Web site at <http://www.socialsecurity.gov/international> also includes the text of the new agreement. Anyone who wants information about the Norwegian Social Security programs may write to the National Insurance Administration, International Affairs Division, N-0241 Oslo, Norway.

Dated: October 29, 2003.

Jo Anne B. Barnhart,
Commissioner of Social Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 4524]

30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Form DS-3032, Choice of Address and Agent for Immigrant Visa Applicants; OMB Control Number 1405-0126

AGENCY: Department of State.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of State has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Comments should be submitted to OMB within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

The following summarizes the information collection proposal submitted to OMB:

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.
Originating Office: Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State (CA/VO).

Title of Information Collection:

Choice of Address and Agent for Immigrant Visa Applicants.

Frequency: On occasion.

Form Number: DS-3032.

Respondents: Aliens applying for Immigrant Visas whose petitions have been approved in U.S.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 330,000 per year.

Average Hours Per Response: 10 minutes.

Total Estimated Burden: 55,000 hours per year.

Public comments are being solicited to permit the agency to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.

- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the proposed information collection and supporting documents may be obtained from Brendan Mullarkey of the Office of Visa Services, U.S. Department of State, 2401 E St. NW., RM L-703, Washington, DC 20520, who may be reached on (202) 663-1166. Public comments and questions should be directed to the State Department Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Washington, DC 20530, who may be reached on (202) 395-3897.

Dated: October 22, 2003.

Janice L. Jacobs,
Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Visa Services, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice No. 4414]

Advisory Committee on International Law; Notice of Committee Meeting

A meeting of the Advisory Committee on International Law will take place on

Friday, November 21, 2003, from 10 a.m. to approximately 4 p.m., as necessary, in Room 1107 of the United States Department of State, 2201 C Street, NW., Washington, DC. The meeting will be chaired by the Legal Adviser of the Department of State, William H. Taft, IV, and will be open to the public up to the capacity of the meeting room. The meeting will discuss issues relating to the use of force and the law of armed conflict, developments relating to the Alien Tort Statute, the recent session of the International Law Commission, UN reform, the decision of the International Court of Justice in Case Concerning Oil Platforms, and other current legal topics.

Entry to the building is controlled and will be facilitated by advance arrangements. Members of the public desiring access to the session should, by Wednesday, November 19, 2003, notify the Office of the Assistant Legal Adviser for United Nations Affairs (telephone (202) 647-2767) of their name, Social Security number, date of birth, professional affiliation, address and telephone number in order to arrange admittance. This includes admittance for government employees as well as others. All attendees must use the "C" Street entrance. One of the following valid IDs will be required for admittance: Any U.S. driver's license with photo, a passport, or a U.S. Government agency ID. Because an escort is required at all times, attendees should expect to remain in the meeting for the entire morning or afternoon session.

Dated: October 31, 2003.

Judith L. Osborn,

Attorney-Adviser, Office of United Nations Affairs, Office of the Legal Adviser, Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee on International Law, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent To Rule on Request To Release Airport Property at Monroe Regional Airport, Monroe, LA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of request to release airport property.

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the release of land at Monroe Regional Airport under the provisions of Section 125 of the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment

Reform Act for the 21st Century (AIR 21).

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 8, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this application may be mailed or delivered to the FAA at the following address: Mr. Lacey D. Spriggs, Manager, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Airports Division, LA/NM Airports Development Office, ASW-640, 2601 Meacham Boulevard, Fort Worth, Texas 76193-0640.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to The Honorable James Mayo, Mayor, City of Monroe, Louisiana at the following address: Mayor James Mayo, City of Monroe, P.O. Box 123, Monroe, Louisiana 71201-0123.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. John M. Dougherty, Program Manager, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Airports Division, LA/NM Airports Development Office, ASW-640c, 2601 Meacham Boulevard, Fort Worth, Texas 76193-0640.

The request to release property may be reviewed in person at this same location.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA invites public comment on the request to release property at the Monroe Regional Airport under the provisions of the AIR 21. On October 9, 2003, the FAA determined that the request to release property at Monroe Regional Airport submitted by the City of Monroe, Louisiana, met the procedural requirements of the Federal Aviation Regulations, Part 155. The FAA may approve the request, in whole or in part, no later than January 9, 2004.

The following is a brief overview of the request:

The City of Monroe, Louisiana, requests the release of 5.091 acres of airport property. The release of property will allow for two industrial development projects to proceed. The sale is estimated to provide \$115,900.00 to allow improvements to Monroe Regional Airport's Closed Circuit TV System and Computerized Access Control System in the terminal building.

Any person may inspect the request in person at the FAA office listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the application, notice and other documents germane to the application in person at the Monroe Regional Airport.

Issued in Fort Worth, Texas on October 15, 2003.

Naomi L. Saunders,

Manager, Airports Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Premium War Risk Insurance

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of extension of Aviation Insurance.

SUMMARY: This notice contains the text of a memo from the Secretary of Transportation to the President regarding the extension of the provision of a aviation insurance coverage for U.S. flag commercial air carrier service in domestic and international operations.

DATES: Dates of extension from October 12, 2003–December 10, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Helen Kish, Program Analyst, APO-3, or Eric Nelson, Program Analyst, APO-3, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20591, telephone 202-267-9943 or 202-267-3090. Or online at FAA Insurance Web site: <http://insurance.faa.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 10, 2003, the Secretary of Transportation authorize a 60-day extension of aviation insurance provided by the Federal Aviation Administration as follows:

Memorandum to the President

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the President in paragraph (3) of Presidential Determination No. 01-29 of September 23, 2001, and the direction of Section 1202 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, I hereby extend that determination to allow for the provision of aviation insurance and reinsurance coverage for U.S. Flag commercial air carrier service in domestic and international operations for an additional 60 days.

Pursuant to section 44306(b) of Chapter 443 of 49 U.S.C., Aviation Insurance, the period for provision of insurance shall be extended from October 12, 2003, through December 10, 2003.

/s/ Norman Y. Mineta

Affected Public: Air Carriers who currently have Premium War-Risk Insurance with the Federal Aviation Administration.