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All of the comments received will be posted on the following Web site:
<http://www.state.gov/p/eur/rt/eu/tec/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions on the submission of comments, please contact Tshanda Kalombo by phone at (202) 482-2561 or by e-mail at tshanda.kalombo@trade.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background Information: The Transatlantic Innovation Dialogue is a senior-level government-to-government forum that was established on October 27, 2009 by U.S. and European Union (EU) leaders in the Transatlantic Economic Council (TEC). The objective of the Innovation Dialogue is to bolster U.S. and EU efforts to spur growth, productivity, and entrepreneurial activity by sharing best policy practices and identifying steps that will improve the policy environment for innovative activities across the Atlantic. By innovation, we mean the design, invention, development and/or implementation of new or altered products, services, processes, systems, organizational structures, or business models for the purpose of creating new value for the economy and society.

The TEC created the Transatlantic Innovation Dialogue to elevate and improve the effectiveness of existing and new areas of cooperation in order to achieve tangible results in job creation, higher competitiveness and economic growth, and solutions for addressing societal challenges. Cooperation on improving innovation and technological development ecosystems is expected to benefit companies, workers, consumers, and governments on both sides of the Atlantic by spurring economic growth and transatlantic trade and investment.

The Transatlantic Innovation Dialogue will be co-led by senior-level officials in the U.S. Department of Commerce and in the European Commission's Directorate-General for Industry and Entrepreneurship, who will oversee its activities and report to interested stakeholders and to the TEC leaders.

The U.S. government and European Commission will collaborate with stakeholders to identify, select, and develop work plans for priority areas of cooperation. The work of the Dialogue will complement and coordinate with existing, innovation-related, bilateral

forums including: U.S.-EU Intellectual Property Rights Working Group, the U.S. and EU Energy Council, the U.S.-EU Science and Technology Agreement, the U.S. Department of Commerce-European Commission Standards Dialogue, the U.S.-EU High Level Regulatory Cooperation Forum and the U.S.-EU Information Society Dialogue.

To assist in identifying topics for innovation cooperation between the U.S. government and the European Commission, the U.S. Department of Commerce is requesting comments from any interested stakeholder on priorities that should be the focus of the Transatlantic Innovation Dialogue. In submitting comments, stakeholders should consider the following questions:

- What specific technology areas and industry sectors should the U.S. and EU focus on?
- What government policies that enable innovation should the U.S. and EU address?
- For the topics identified, what form should cooperation take (e.g. exchange of information, knowledge transfer)?
- What should the short and long term objectives be for each identified project?
- What specific outcomes should the U.S. and EU try to achieve by 2011?

After receiving and reviewing submissions to this notice, the U.S. Department of Commerce will hold a public meeting to discuss the prioritization of potential areas of cooperation under the Dialogue. After interagency consultations, the U.S. Department of Commerce will work with the European Commission on the agenda for Dialogue and submit work plans for the agreed priorities to the TEC for its 2010 meeting.

Dated: December 28, 2009.

David De Falco,

Director, Office of the European Union, Market Access and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DoD-2009-OS-0190]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness proposes to extend a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: 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; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 1, 2010.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Federal Docket Management System Office, 1160 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1160.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Air Force Review Boards Agency, 1535 Command Drive, Andrews AFB ATTN. Mr. Victor Donovan MD 20732, or call Air Force Review Boards Agency, at (240) 857-3137.

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Application for a Review by the Physical Disability Board of Review of the Rating for a Medical Separation from the Armed Forces of the United States; DD Form 294; OMB Number 0704-0453.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary to have former members who were separated from the armed forces from

between September 11, 2001 and December 31, 2009 due to unfitness for duty due to a medical condition with a disability rating of 20 percent disabled or less; and were found to be not eligible for retirement request a review of that determinations in accordance with the provisions of 10 Unites States Code Section 1554a.

Affected Public: Former service members requesting a review.

Annual Burden Hours: 1,350.

Number of Respondents: 1,800.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 45 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

Respondents are those members as described above who request a review of the rating of their medical separation rating. The completed form triggers the review. If the form is not completed, it may jeopardize or delay the Agency's ability to accomplish the requested review.

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Mitchell S. Bryman,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DoD-2009-OS-0191]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Pentagon Force Protection Agency announces the proposed extension of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: 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; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 1, 2010.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instrument, please write to Pentagon Force Protection Agency, ATTN: Ms. Lillian Dockery, Room 1F1084, 9000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-9000, or call the Pentagon Access Control Division at (703) 697-9327.

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: DoD Building Pass Application; DD Form 2249; OMB Number 0704-0328.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is used by officials of Security Services, Pentagon Force Protection Agency, to maintain a listing of personnel who are authorized a DoD Building Pass.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; businesses or other for-profit.

Annual Burden Hours: 12,000.

Number of Respondents: 120,000.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden for Response: 6 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

This requirement provides for the collection of information from applicants for DoD Building Passes. The information collected from the DD Form 2249, "DoD Building Pass Application," is used to verify the need for and to issue a DoD Building Pass to DoD personnel, other authorized U.S. Government personnel, and DoD consultants and experts who regularly work in or require frequent and continuing access to DoD-owned or

occupied buildings in the National Capital Region.

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Mitchell S. Bryman,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

[Docket ID: USA-2009-0035]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army, (OAA-RPA), DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of the Army proposes to extend a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: 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; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 1, 2010.

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