

- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Human Resources, Office of Recruitment, Examination and Employment (HR/REE).

- *Form Number:* DS-5103.

- *Respondents:* Alumni of the U.S. Department of State's Student Programs, including internships, Pickerings, Rangels, Stay-in-Schools, Co-ops, etc.

- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,000.

- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 1,000.

- *Average Time Per Response:* 30 minutes.

- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 500.

- *Frequency:* On Occasion.

- *Obligation to Respond:* Voluntary.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.

- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this 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 the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

Abstract of proposed collection: The Department's student internship programs provide a key source of potential candidates who have an interest in, and are qualified, to become future Department employees.

The legal authorities pertaining to this collection include: 22 U.S.C. 2651a., 22 U.S.C. 3901, 5 U.S.C. 3111, and 5 CFR part 362, subpart B.

HR/REE wants to strengthen and maintain its connections to this group, fostering and mentoring a pool of candidates from which to obtain successful recruits.

In June 2008, HR/REE surveyed over 3,500 former interns who served from 2005 through spring 2008. The intern alumni were queried as to their motivation in seeking an internship, whether or not they had pursued a career with either the Foreign Service or Civil Service, and what their recommendations would be for the best ways for the Department to maintain contact after the conclusion of their

internships. Intern alumni endorse continued contact with Department representatives mainly through electronic means and Web site reminders of career opportunities.

In an effort to address these findings and provide viable solutions to improving student engagement prior to, during and following an internship, the Department developed an intern engagement strategy that will ultimately result in a measurable conversion of interns into Department hires for the Foreign or Civil Service. The foundation of this strategy is INTERNational Connections, a web-based career networking site for current, former and future interns that collects pertinent information about them, their experiences and their career goals.

Methodology: Users will register online at careers.state.gov/internconnect and create a profile that includes the aforementioned information.

Dated: October 22, 2012.

William Schaal, Jr.,

Executive Director, Bureau of Human Resources, U.S. Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8076]

Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition Determinations: "Inventing Abstraction, 1910-1925"

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (79 Stat. 985; 22 U.S.C. 2459), Executive Order 12047 of March 27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2681, *et seq.*; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, *et seq.*), Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999, and Delegation of Authority No. 236-3 of August 28, 2000 (and, as appropriate, Delegation of Authority No. 257 of April 15, 2003), I hereby determine that the objects to be included in the exhibition "Inventing Abstraction, 1910-1925," imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, are of cultural significance. The objects are imported pursuant to loan agreements with the foreign owners or custodians. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at the Museum of Modern Art, New York, New York, from on or about December 23, 2012, until on or about April 15, 2013, and at possible additional exhibitions or venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest. I further determine that the

exhibition or display of one of the objects at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, California, from on or about May 5, 2013, until on or about September 2, 2013, in the exhibition "Hans Richter: Encounters," is in the national interest. I have ordered that Public Notice of these Determinations be published in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, including a list of the exhibit objects, contact Paul W. Manning, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: 202-632-6469). The mailing address is U.S. Department of State, SA-5, L/PD, Fifth Floor (Suite 5H03), Washington, DC 20522-0505.

Dated: October 23, 2012.

J. Adam Erel,

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Determination Regarding Waiver of Discriminatory Purchasing Requirements With Respect to Goods and Services Covered by Chapter Nine of the United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Determination Regarding Waiver of Discriminatory Purchasing Requirements under Trade Agreements Act of 1979.

DATES: *Effective Date:* October 31, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jean Heilman Grier, Senior Procurement Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, (202) 395-9476, or Daniel Stirk, Associate General Counsel, Office of the United States Trade Representative, (202) 395-9617.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 28, 2007, the United States and Panama entered into the United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement ("Panama TPA"). Chapter Nine of the Panama TPA sets forth certain obligations with respect to government procurement of goods and services, as specified in Annex 9.1 of the Panama TPA. On October 21, 2011, the President signed into law the United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act ("the Panama TPA Act") (Pub. L. 112-43, 125 Stat. 497) (19 U.S.C. 3805 note). In section 101(a) of