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AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Notice of Public Information Collection Requirement Submitted to OMB for Review

SUMMARY: U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) has submitted the following information collection to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Comments should be addressed to: Desk Officer for USAID, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Washington DC 20503. Copies of submission may be obtained by calling (202) 712-1365.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Number: OMB 0412-0552.

Form Number: N/A.

Title: Financial Status Report.

Type of Submission: Renewal of Information Collection.

Purpose: USAID wants to continue to require expanded financial reporting from recipients of grant and cooperative agreements (CA) with places of performance covering multiple countries. Recipients would be required to provide financial reports with expenditure data by country. For assistance programs which cover programs in more than one country, USAID requires recipients to specify in the "remarks" section of SF-269 and SF-269A, or other applicable approved financial report form, by country, the amount of the total Federal share which was expended for each country. USAID has sought a class deviation to the statute from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in accordance with the 22 CFR 226.4. The information is being collected so that USAID may report to Congress, OMB, and other requestors per the requirements of the

Government Performance and Results Act and the government Management Reporting Act. Also, the reporting requirements are necessary to ensure that USAID funds are expended in accordance with statutory requirements and USAID policies. USAID is seeking this waiver for a period of three years.

Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 118.

Total annual responses: 472.

Total annual hours requested: 800 hours.

Dated: May 17, 2001.

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Office of Administrative Services, Bureau for Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. 01-015N]

Science Based Reinspection of Imported Meat and Poultry Products

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is announcing a public meeting on June 8, 2001, to describe the Agency's plans for the modernization of port-of-entry reinspection of meat and poultry food products, including changes being made to the Automated Import Information System (AIIS).

DATES: The public meeting will be held on June 8, 2001, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Preregistration is not necessary.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held in the Columbia Room, Holiday Inn Capitol, 550 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20024, telephone (202) 479-4000. Transcripts of the meeting will be available in the FSIS Docket Office, Room 102-Annex, 300 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20250-3700. In addition to publishing this **Federal Register** notice, before the meeting, FSIS will alert consumers, industry groups, and foreign governments of the meeting through its FSIS Home Page at <http://www.fsis.usda.gov>, and the Constituent Updates and Alerts.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Karen Stuck, Acting Director, International Policy Staff, Office of Policy, Program Development, and Evaluation, telephone (202) 720-6400, or by FAX (202) 720-7990. Individuals wishing to present a prepared statement will be given an opportunity to speak at the end of the meeting. Oral statements will be limited to 5 minutes, with an opportunity to submit a longer written statement for the record. Any individual wishing to make a statement should contact Ms. Anita Manka no later than noon on June 7, 2001, at (202) 720-6400. In addition, there will be time allowed at the end of the meeting for questions and answers. Attendees requiring sign-language interpreters or other special accommodation should contact Ms. Ida Gambrell, by June 1, 2001, at (202) 690-6523 or by FAX at (202) 690-6519.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The United States Department of Agriculture, through the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), ensures that domestic and imported meat and poultry products are safe, wholesome, and accurately labeled. In 2000, the United States imported 3.72 billion pounds of meat and poultry from 31 countries.

The Federal Meat Inspection Act and the Poultry Products Inspection Act require foreign countries that export meat and poultry products to the United States to establish and maintain inspection systems that are equivalent to the U.S. inspection system. Countries must undergo a rigorous review process before they can become eligible to export meat or poultry products to the United States. The initial equivalence determination includes, but is not limited to, an extensive document and on-site review of the country's legislation, its command-and-control infrastructure, inspector training, inspection procedures, and laboratory analytical support services. Even after a country is granted eligibility, FSIS periodically audits the foreign country's inspection program to ensure that it remains equivalent to the U.S. system. As a further check on the performance of the foreign country's inspection system, FSIS reinspects products on a