

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of the following open public event of the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission. The Commission is mandated by Congress to investigate, assess, and report to Congress annually on “the national security implications of the economic relationship between the United States and the People’s Republic of China.” Pursuant to this mandate, the Commission will hold a virtual public release of its 2021 Annual Report to Congress in Washington, DC on November 17, 2021.

**DATES:** The release is scheduled for Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** This release will be held online. Members of the public will be able to view a live webcast via the Commission’s website at [www.uscc.gov](http://www.uscc.gov). Please check the Commission’s website for possible changes to the event schedule and instructions on how to submit questions or participate in the question and answer session. Reservations are not required to attend.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public seeking further information concerning the event should contact Jameson Cunningham, 444 North Capitol Street NW, Suite 602, Washington DC 20001; telephone: 202-624-1496, or via email at [jcunningham@uscc.gov](mailto:jcunningham@uscc.gov). Reservations are not required to attend. **ADA Accessibility:** For questions about the accessibility of the event or to request an accommodation, please contact Jameson Cunningham at 202-624-1496, or via email at [jcunningham@uscc.gov](mailto:jcunningham@uscc.gov). Requests for an accommodation should be made as soon as possible, and at least five business days prior to the event.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Topics To Be Discussed:* The Commission’s 2021 Annual Report to Congress addresses key findings and recommendations for Congressional action based upon the Commission’s hearings, research, and review of the areas designated by Congress in its mandate, including focused work this year on: A review of economics, trade, security, politics, and foreign affairs developments in 2021; the Chinese Communist Party’s ambitions and challenges and its centennial; China’s influence in Latin America and the Caribbean; the Chinese Communist Party’s economic and technological ambitions; the Chinese government’s evolving control of the corporate sector; U.S.-China financial connectivity and risks to U.S. national security; China’s nuclear forces; deterring PRC aggression toward Taiwan; and the Hong Kong

government’s embrace of authoritarianism.

**Authority:** Congress created the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission in 2000 in the National Defense Authorization Act (Public Law 106-398), as amended by Division P of the Consolidated Appropriations Resolution, 2003 (Public Law 108-7), as amended by Public Law 109-108 (November 22, 2005), as amended by Public Law 113-291 (December 19, 2014).

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0178]

### Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: Monthly Certification of On-the-Job and Apprenticeship Training

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function. Refer to “OMB Control No. 2900-0178.”

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## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Authority:** Public Law 115-89 “Veterans Apprenticeship and Labor Opportunity Reform Act”, 38 U.S.C. 3002(3)(C), 3032(c), 3233, 3313(g), 3484, 3534(a), 3680(c), 3687, and 10 U.S.C. 16131., 38 CFR 21.3131(a), 21.3132(c), 21.4135(e)(3)(iii), 21.4203(f)(3), 21.4262, 21.5130, 21.5138, 21.7139(g), and 21.7639(f), 21.9561(c), 21.9641(g).

**Title:** Monthly Certification of On-the-Job and Apprenticeship Training.

**OMB Control Number:** 2900-0178.

**Type of Review:** Revision of a currently approved collection.

**Abstract:** Benefits are authorized monthly based on the number of hours worked by the trainee as verified by the training establishment. Unscheduled terminations result in the termination of benefits. If hours are reduced to less than a full-time work schedule, a reduction of benefits will occur. Public Law 115-89 “Veterans Apprenticeship and Labor Opportunity Reform Act” (VALOR Act) was signed into law on November 21, 2017. Section 3 of this law amended 38 U.S.C. 3680(c) to eliminate the trainee’s certification requirement. As a result, this form is only completed, signed, and certified by the training establishment to report the trainee’s number of hours worked and/or to report the trainee’s date of termination. The form no longer requires the signature of the trainee. The form is then sent to the Regional Processing Office (RPO) for processing.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 86 FR 47539 on August 25, 2021, page 47539.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or Households.

**Estimated Annual Burden:** 214,794 hours.

**Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:** 10 minutes.

**Frequency of Response:** Twelve (12) Annually per Respondent.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 107,397.

By direction of the Secretary.

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