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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jason Philibotte, NOAA USCRF Steering Committee Point of Contact, NOAA Coral Reef Conservation Program, 1305 East-West Highway, NOS/OCM, Silver Spring, MD 20910 at (301) 533-0767 or Liza Johnson, USCRF Executive Secretary, U.S. Department of Interior, MS-3530-MIB, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240 at (202) 208-5004 or visit the USCRF website at <http://www.coralreef.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting provides a forum for coordinated planning and action among federal agencies, state and territorial governments, and nongovernmental partners. Registration is requested for all events associated with the meeting. This meeting has time allotted for public comment. All public comments must be submitted in written format. A written summary of the meeting will be posted on the USCRF website within two months of occurrence. For information about the meeting, registering and submitting public comments, go to <http://www.coralreef.gov>.

Commenters may address the meeting, the role of the USCRF, or general coral reef conservation issues. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information in your comments, you should be aware that your entire comment, including personally identifiable information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personally identifiable information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Established by Presidential Executive Order 13089 in 1998, the USCRF mission is to lead, coordinate and strengthen U.S. government actions to better preserve and protect coral reef ecosystems. Co-chaired by the Departments of Commerce and Interior, USCRF members include leaders of 13 federal agencies, seven U.S. states and territories, and three freely associated states.

You may participate and submit oral comments at the public meeting. The public meeting occurs annually in

Washington, DC, and is scheduled as follows:

Date: Wednesday, March 18, 2020.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., local time.

Location: Department of Interior, Auditorium, 1849 C St. NW, Washington, DC 20240.

Written comments must be received on or before Thursday, March 12, 2020.

Dated: February 28, 2020.

Nicole R. LeBoeuf,

Acting Assistant Administrator, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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U.S. INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

TIME AND DATE: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 2:00 p.m. (OPEN Portion) 2:15 p.m. (CLOSED Portion)

PLACE: Offices of the Corporation, Twelfth Floor Board Room, 1100 New York Avenue NW, Washington, DC.

STATUS: Meeting OPEN to the Public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Approval—Audit Committee Nominations
2. Approval—Risk Committee Nominations
3. Minutes of the Open Session of the December 11, 2019, Board of Directors Meeting

FURTHER MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED

(CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC 2:15 P.M.)

1. Reports
2. Finance Project—Cambodia, Ecuador, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Mexico, Nigeria, Peru, Uganda
3. Insurance Project—Kenya
4. Insurance Project—St. Lucia
5. Finance Project—Mexico
6. Finance Project—Singapore
7. Minutes of the Closed Session of the December 11, 2019, Board of Directors Meeting
8. Pending Projects

ATTENDANCE AT THE OPEN PORTION OF THE MEETING:

Members of the public planning to attend the the open portion of the Board meeting are asked to register no later than Monday, March 9, 2020. To register, attendees must email Catherine.Andrade@dfc.gov with the attendee's full name as it appears on their official, government-issued identification. Access will not be granted to the open portion of the Board meeting without official, government-issued identification.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Agenda subject to change. Information

on the meeting may be obtained from Catherine F.I. Andrade at (202) 336-8768, or via email at Catherine.Andrade@dfc.gov.

Dated: March 2, 2020.

Catherine Andrade,

Corporate Secretary, U.S. International Development Finance Corporation.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No. ED-2020-SCC-0043]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Borrower Defense to Loan Repayment Universal Form

AGENCY: Federal Student Aid (FSA), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing a new information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 4, 2020.

ADDRESSES: To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching the Docket ID number ED-2020-SCC-0043. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. If the [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) site is not available to the public for any reason, ED will temporarily accept comments at ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Please include the docket ID number and the title of the information collection request when requesting documents or submitting comments. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Strategic Collections and Clearance Governance and Strategy Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave. SW, LBJ, Room 6W-208D, Washington, DC 20202-4537.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Beth Grebeldinger, 202-377-4018.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in

accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Borrower Defense to Loan Repayment Universal Form.

OMB Control Number: 1845-NEW.

Type of Review: A new information collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 96,000.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 48,000.

Abstract: The Department of Education (the Department) amends the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan) Program regulations issued under the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), to implement changes made to the regulations in § 685.206(e)—Borrower responsibilities and defenses. These final regulations are a result of negotiated rulemaking and will add a new requirement to the current regulations. These final regulations require the collection of this information from borrowers who believe they qualify for a borrower defense to repayment discharge, as permitted under Section 455(h) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. The regulations provide, among other things, for the Secretary to discharge a borrower's Direct Loan based on the loan in question being disbursed after July 1, 2020. The Department is

attaching a list of elements that we are proposing be included on a revised Application for Borrower Defense to Loan Repayment form (Universal Borrower Defense Application). This revised form will be based on the current Universal Borrower Defense Application, OMB control number 1845-0146, and will facilitate processing claims from all borrowers who believe that they have a valid borrower defense claim.

Dated: February 28, 2020.

Kate Mullan,

PRA Coordinator, Strategic Collections and Clearance, Governance and Strategy Division, Office of Chief Data Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Office of Postsecondary Education; Call for Written Third-Party Comments

AGENCY: Accreditation Group, Office of Postsecondary Education, U.S. Department of Education.

ACTION: Call for written third-party comments.

SUMMARY: This notice provides information to members of the public on submitting written comments for accrediting agencies currently undergoing review for purposes of recognition by the U.S. Secretary of Education.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Herman Bounds, Director, Accreditation Group, Office of Postsecondary Education, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Room 270-01, Washington, DC 20202, telephone: (202) 453-7615, or email: herman.bounds@ed.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This solicitation of third-party comments concerning the performance of accrediting agencies under review by the Secretary of Education is required by § 496(n)(1)(A) of the Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, as amended. These accrediting agencies will be on the agenda for the Summer 2020 National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity (NACIQI) meeting. The meeting date has not been determined but will be announced in a separate **Federal Register** notice.

Agencies Under Review and Evaluation

Below is a list of agencies currently undergoing review and evaluation by the Department's Office of Postsecondary Education Accreditation Group, including each agency's current

scope of recognition, which are scheduled to appear at the Summer 2020 meeting of NACIQI, for which dates have not yet been determined.

Application for Renewal of Recognition (State Agency for the Approval of Vocational Education)

1. Puerto Rico State Agency for the Approval of Public Postsecondary Vocational, Technical Institutions and Programs.

Application for Renewal of Recognition (State Agency for the Approval of Nurse Education)

1. New York State Board of Regents, State Education Department, Office of the Professions (Nursing Education).
2. Missouri State Board of Nursing.

Application for Granting of Academic (Masters and Doctoral) Degrees by Federal Agencies and Institutions

1. National Intelligence University: Undergoing Substantive Change (Reorganization/Command Change).
2. U.S. Army Command and General Staff College: Undergoing Substantive Change (Curriculum Change).

Compliance Report

1. Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools compliance report includes findings of noncompliance with the criteria in 34 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 602 as referenced in the Decision of the Secretary (Docket No. 16-44-0) available at <https://opeweb.ed.gov/e-Recognition/PublicDocuments> under NACIQI meeting date: 06/23/2016 for ACICS. Scope of Recognition: The accreditation of private postsecondary institutions offering certificates or diplomas, and postsecondary institutions offering associate, bachelor's, or master's degrees in programs designed to educate students for professional, technical, or occupational careers, including those that offer those programs via distance education.

Submission of Written Comments Regarding a Specific Accrediting Agency or State Approval Agency Under Review

Written comments about the recognition of a specific accrediting or State agency must be received by April 1, 2020, in the ThirdPartyComments@ed.gov mailbox and include the subject line "Written Comments: (agency name)." The email must include the name(s), title, organization/affiliation, mailing address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the comment. Comments should