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Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Title: Unemployment Insurance Data Validation Program.

OMB Control Number: 1205-0431.

Form Number: Handbook 361.

Affected Public: State Governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

53.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: 29,150.

Estimated Total Annual Costs Burden: \$0.

Description: This program requires States to operate a system for ascertaining the validity (adherence to Federal reporting requirements) of specified unemployment insurance (UI) data they submit to ETA on certain reports they are required to submit monthly or quarterly. Some of these data are used to assess performance, including for the Government Performance and Results Act, or determine States' grants for UI administration. For additional information, see related notice published at 73 FR 8066 on February 12, 2008.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Title: Non Production Questionnaire.

OMB Control Number: 1205-0447.

Form Number: ETA-9118.

Affected Public: Private Sector—Business or other for-profits.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 555.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: 1,943.

Estimated Total Annual Costs Burden: \$0.

Description: Information on the Form ETA-9118 is required in order to make a determination on Trade Adjustment Assistance petitions filed on behalf of service workers in accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Adjustment Assistance Act of 2002. For additional information, see related notice published at 73 FR 13922 on March 14, 2008.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Title: Unemployment Insurance (UI) Facilitation of Claimant Reemployment

OMB Control Number: 1205-0452.

Form Number: ETA-9047.

Affected Public: State Governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 53.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: 2,120.

Estimated Total Annual Costs Burden: \$0.

Description: This information is collected at the state level to determine the percentage of individuals who become reemployed in the calendar quarter subsequent to the quarter in which they received their first UI payment. The data will be used to measure performance for the Department's Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 with the goal of facilitating the reemployment of UI claimants. For additional information, see related notice published at 73 FR 13013 on March 11, 2008.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Type of Review: New (Request for a new OMB Control Number).

Title: Workforce Investment Streamlined Performance Reporting (WISPR) System.

OMB Control Number: 1205-0NEW.

Form Numbers: WISRD-1; ETA-9131; ETA-9132; and ETA-9133.

Affected Public: State Governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 54.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: 816,071.

Estimated Total Annual Costs Burden: \$0.

Description: The WISPR System replaces the reporting and recordkeeping requirements of 7 Employment and Training programs. The goal is to ensure that the workforce system is clearly focused on results, which will help ensure that the system's jobseeker and employer customers are effectively served. The Office of Management and Budget and other Federal agencies developed a set of common performance measures; these common measures are integral to ETA's performance accountability system and are the key results that ETA programs strive to achieve for their customers and to measure with a uniform information collection system. For additional information, see related notices published at 69 FR 42777 on July 16,

2004 and 71 FR 65000 on November 6, 2006.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request

June 12, 2008.

The Department of Labor (DOL) hereby announces the submission of the following public information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation; including among other things a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained from the RegInfo.gov Web site at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain> or by contacting Darrin King on 202-693-4129 (this is not a toll-free number)/e-mail: king.darrin@dol.gov.

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA), Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, Telephone: 202-395-7316/Fax: 202-395-6974 (these are not toll-free numbers), E-mail: OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**. In order to ensure the appropriate consideration, comments should reference the OMB Control Number (see below).

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who

are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: Employee Benefits Security Administration.

Type of Review: Extension without change of currently approved collection.

Title: Alternative Method of Compliance for Certain Simplified Employee Pensions.

OMB Number: 1210-0034.

Affected Public: Private Sector—Business or other for-profits

Total Estimated Number of

Respondents: 35,660.

Total Estimated Annual Burden

Hours: 21,227.

Total Estimated Annual Costs Burden: \$31,297.

Description: Section 110 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) authorizes the Secretary of Labor to prescribe alternative methods of compliance with the reporting and disclosure requirements of Title I of ERISA for pension plans. The Department's regulations at 29 CFR 2520.104-49 provide an alternative method of disclosure for sponsors of certain types of Simplified Employee Pensions that is easier to comply with than otherwise required under ERISA. For additional information, see related notice published at 73 FR 18003 on April 4, 2008.

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Acting Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Bureau of International Labor Affairs; Office of Trade and Labor Affairs; Central America—Dominican Republic—United States Free Trade Agreement; Notice of Determination Regarding Review of Submission #2008-01

AGENCY: Bureau of International Labor Affairs, U.S. Department of Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Office of Trade and Labor Affairs (OTLA) gives notice that on June 12, 2008, Submission #2008-01 was accepted for review pursuant to Article 16.4.3 of Chapter Sixteen (the Labor Chapter) of the Central America—Dominican Republic—United States Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA-DR).

The submission was filed with the OTLA on April 23, 2008 by the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO) and a group of six Guatemalan trade unions. The submission alleges the Government of Guatemala has violated Articles 16.1.1, 16.2.1(a), and 16.3.1 of the Labor Chapter of the CAFTA-DR with respect to five separate cases. In these cases, the submission alleges that the Government of Guatemala failed to enforce its laws with regard to the right of association and the right to organize and bargain collectively. The submission alleges acts of violence against trade unionists, including two instances of murder. In addition, there are further allegations of failure to enforce laws relating to non-payment of severance and social security benefits. These allegations were supported by specific factual descriptions which, if substantiated, could demonstrate that the Government of Guatemala's actions were inconsistent with its commitments under the Labor Chapter.

The objectives of the review of the submission will be to gather information to assist the OTLA to better understand and publicly report on the issues raised by the submission.

DATES: June 12, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gregory Schoepfle, Director, Office of Trade and Labor Affairs, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room S-5303, Washington, DC 20210. Telephone: (202) 693-4900 (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Article 16.4.3 of the Labor Chapter of the CAFTA-DR establishes that each Party's contact point shall provide for the submission, receipt, and consideration of communications from persons of a Party on matters related to provisions of the Labor Chapter and shall review such communications in accordance with domestic procedures. The Department of Labor's Office of Trade Agreement Implementation, which in December 2006 was reestablished as the OTLA in a **Federal Register** notice (71 FR 76691 (2006)), was designated as the office to serve as the contact point for implementing the CAFTA-DR's labor provisions. The same **Federal Register** notice informed the public of the Procedural Guidelines that the OTLA would follow for the receipt and review of public submissions. According to the definitions contained in the Procedural Guidelines (Section B) a "submission," as used in the guidelines, means "a communication from the public

containing specific allegations, accompanied by relevant supporting information, that another Party has failed to meet its commitments or obligations arising under a labor chapter." * * *

On April 23, 2008, Submission #2008-01 was filed with the OTLA by the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO) and a group of Guatemalan trade unions composed of the Union of Port Quetzal Company Workers (STEPQ), the Union of Izabal Banana Workers (SITRABI), the Union of International Frozen Products, Inc. Workers (SITRAINPROCSA), the Coalition of Avandia Workers, the Union of Fribo Company Workers (SITRAFRIBO), and the Federation of Food and Similar Industries Workers of Guatemala (FESTRAS).

The submission alleges first that the Government of Guatemala has violated Article 16.1.1 of the CAFTA-DR Labor Chapter in which the Parties reaffirm their obligations as members of the International Labor Organization (ILO) and their commitments under the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work (1998), and agree to strive to ensure that the Declaration's principles and the internationally recognized labor rights set forth in Article 16.8 are recognized and protected by its law. Second, the submission alleges that the Government of Guatemala has violated Article 16.2.1(a) which states, "A Party shall not fail to effectively enforce its labor laws, through a sustained or recurring course of action or inaction, in a manner affecting trade between the Parties, after the date of entry into force of [the CAFTA-DR]." Third, the submission alleges that the Government of Guatemala has violated Article 16.3.1, which states, "Each Party shall ensure that persons with a legally recognized interest under its law in a particular matter have appropriate access to tribunals for the enforcement of the Party's labor laws." * * *

To support these allegations, the submission outlines five separate cases in which it alleges that workers were prevented from exercising their right of association and the right to organize and bargain collectively. In several of the cases, serious acts of violence and intimidation are alleged, including murder. Furthermore, the submission alleges that domestic labor laws, which would have protected these workers' rights, were not enforced. The submission also alleges a failure to enforce labor laws relating to payments to the Guatemalan Social Security Institute (the health care system) in two