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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Installations & Environment),

Attention: Ms. Patricia Ferrebee, 3400 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3400, or call (703) 695-6107.

**Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number:** Technical Assistance for Public Participation (TAPP) Application, DD Form 2749, OMB Control Number 0704-0392.

**Needs and Uses:** The collection of information is necessary to identify products or services requested by community members of restoration advisory boards or technical review committees to aid in their participation in the Department of Defense's environmental restoration program, and to meet Congressional reporting requirements.

**Affected Public:** Not-for-profit institutions.

**Annual Burden Hours:** 200.

**Number of Respondents:** 50.

**Responses Per Respondent:** 1.

**Average Burden Per Response:** 4 hours.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **Summary of Information Collection**

Respondents are community members of restoration advisory boards or technical review committees requesting technical assistance to interpret

scientific and engineering issues regarding the nature of environmental hazards at an installation. This assistance will assist communities in participating in the cleanup process. The information, directed by 10 U.S.C. 2705, will be used to determine the eligibility of the proposed project, begin the procurement process to obtain the requested products or services, and determine the satisfaction of community members of restoration advisory boards and technical review communities receiving the products and services.

Dated: October 23, 2006.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### **Office of the Secretary**

[Docket No. DoD-2006-OS-0213]

#### **Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) announces the proposed extension of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Department of Defense Education Activity, 4040 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203, ATTN: Dr. Sandra Embler, or call at (703) 588-3175.

**Title and OMB Control Number:** "Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) High School Program Objective Memorandum (POM) Longitudinal Study," OMB CONTROL NUMBER 0704-0428.

**Needs and Uses:** The Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) operates 208 schools in 17 districts in 12 foreign countries, 7 states, Guam, and Puerto Rico including 52 high schools. To evaluate the Quality High School Initiative developed at the DoDEA High School Symposium in October 2001, contact with all DoDEA high school students and their sponsors who have left DoDEA high schools is necessary. All students in grades 9-12 who leave DoDEA high schools for any reason (i.e., Permanent Change of Station (PCS), graduation, etc.) and their sponsors will be contacted 3 to 5 months after their departure by a telephonic survey. Four telephone surveys will be used: one for students who leave DoDEA high schools for any reason other than graduation and one for their sponsors; one for DoDEA high school graduates and one for their sponsors. The collected data will be used to determine if quality educational programs are provided to all DoDEA high school students regardless of where the DoDEA high school is located. There is no existing data that is sufficiently comprehensive in terms of meeting the need for this information requirement.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or households.

**Annual Burden Hours:** 406.5 hours.

**Number of Respondents:** 1,626.

**Responses per Respondent:** 1.

**Average Burden Per Response:** 15 minutes.

*Frequency:* On Occasion, Annually.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Summary of Information Collection

The High School Initiative will be evaluated to determine if quality educational programs are provided to all DoDEA high school students regardless of where the high school is located. The study entails the development of data collection methods and procedures, as well as the analysis of data to document the use of resources and the impact on student achievement in grades 9–12. The study will use a telephonic interview technique to determine the success of the initiative in helping students prepare for educational experiences after leaving Department of Defense (DoD) schools either through graduation, permanent change of station of the sponsor, or for any other reason. Four telephone surveys have been developed: one for all DoDEA sponsors and one for students who leave DoDEA for any reason other than graduation; one for DoDEA sponsors of graduates and students who graduate. These four telephone surveys include questions on transition, curriculum, courses, activities, counselors, teachers, administrators, and summary issues. Respondents will respond 3 to 5 months after leaving a DoDEA high school for any reason and then again one year later.

Dated: November 17, 2006.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

[No. DoD–2006–OS–0214]

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Defense Finance and Accounting Service, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service announces the extension of a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the

information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by January 26, 2007.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Disbursing Management Policy Division, Defense Finance and Accounting Service Kansas City, DFAS–NPD/KC, ATTN: Ms. Andrea Henderson, 1500 E. 95th Street, Kansas City, MO 64197–0030, or call Ms. Andrea Henderson (816) 926–2827.

**Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number:** Personal Check Cashing Agreement, DD Form 2761; OMB Number 0730–0005.

**Needs and Uses:** The information collection requirement is necessary to meet the Department of Defense's (DoD) requirement for cashing personal checks overseas and afloat by DoD disbursing activities, as provided in 31 U.S.C. 3342. The DoD Financial Management Regulation, Volume 5, provides guidance to DoD disbursing officers in the performance of this information collection. This allows the DoD disbursing officer or authorized agent the authority to offset the pay without prior notification in cases where this form has been signed subject to conditions specified within the approved procedures.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or households.

**Annual Burden Hours:** 11,538 hours.

**Number of Respondents:** 46,153.

**Responses Per Respondent:** 1.

**Average Burden Per Response:** 15 minutes.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Summary of Information Collection

The Personal Check Cashing Agreement Form is designed exclusively to help the DoD disbursing offices expedite the collection process of dishonored checks. The front of the form will be completed and signed by the authorized individual requesting check cashing privileges. By signing the form, the individual is freely and voluntarily consenting to the immediate collection from their current pay, without prior notice, for the face value of any check cashed, plus any charges assessed against the government by a financial institution, in the event the check is dishonored. In the event the check is dishonored, the disbursing office will complete and certify the reverse side of the form and forward the form to the applicable payroll office for collection from the individual's current pay.

Dated: November 17, 2006.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

[No. DoD–2006–OS–0215]

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness). DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) announces the proposed extension of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the