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Background

This form or the electronic equivalent are used by AmeriCorps members to request a postponement, during their term of service, of their obligation to make payment on qualified student loans while they are earning a minimal living allowance in their national service position. The form provides proof that the borrower is serving in an approved national service position, thereby meeting the criteria for the mandatory forbearance based on national service. The form has a "Manual" version generated from the online request when the institution is not registered online, which provides the AmeriCorps member's electronic signature; the non-electronic version provides a space for the member and the authorized program official to sign.

Current Action

The Corporation seeks to renew the current form. The application will be used in the same manner as the existing application. The Corporation also seeks to continue using the current application until the revised application is approved by OMB. The current application is due to expire on July 31, 2008.

Type of Review: Renewal.

Agency: Corporation for National and Community Service.

Title: Forbearance Request for National Service Form.

OMB Number: 3045-0030.

Agency Number: None.

Affected Public: Individuals who have enrolled in a term of national service who wish to postpone loan payments on qualified loans while they serve.

Total Respondents: 11,000 responses annually, using the paper form.

Frequency: Some members do not have any qualified student loans while others have several. Currently, we estimate about half of the forbearance requests are processed electronically. The Corporation expects the use of paper forms to decrease over the next few years.

Average Time per Response: Total of 10 minutes (nine minutes for the AmeriCorps member's section (non-electronic version) and one minute for certification).

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 1,833 hours.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): None.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): None.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 20, 2008.

Maggie Taylor-Coates,

Manager (Acting), National Service Trust.

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Corporation for National and Community Service (hereinafter the "Corporation"), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirement on respondents can be properly assessed.

Currently, the Corporation is soliciting comments concerning its proposed renewal of its Interest Accrual Form. Copies of the information collection requests can be obtained by contacting the office listed in the address section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the individual and office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section by May 27, 2008.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by the title of the information collection activity, by any of the following methods:

(1) *By mail sent to:* Corporation for National and Community Service, National Service Trust; Attention Bruce Kellogg, 1201 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20525.

(2) By hand delivery or by courier to the Corporation's mailroom at Room 8100 at the mail address given in paragraph (1) above, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

(3) *By fax to:* (202) 606-3484, Attention Bruce Kellogg.

(4) *Electronically through the Corporation's e-mail address system:* bkellogg@cns.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bruce Kellogg, (202) 606-6954, or by e-mail at: bkellogg@cns.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Corporation is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Corporation, 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 expected to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology (e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses).

Background

This form or its electronic equivalent is used by AmeriCorps members to request a payment of the interest accruing on qualified loans during the AmeriCorps member's term of service, if their loans were in forbearance during their service and if they successfully complete their terms of service. The form serves to give the member's permission to and directs the loan holder to release loan information to the Corporation so that the National Service Trust can make the interest payment. The form has a "Manual" version generated from the online request when the institution is not registered online, which provides the member's electronic signature; the non-electronic version provides a space for the member and the loan holder to sign.

Current Action

The Corporation seeks to renew the current form. The application will be used in the same manner as the existing application. The Corporation also seeks to continue using the current application until the revised application is approved by OMB. The current application is due to expire on July 31, 2008.

Type of Review: Renewal.

Agency: Corporation for National and Community Service.

Title: Interest Accrual Form.

OMB Number: 3045-0053.

Agency Number: None.

Affected Public: Individuals who have completed a term of national service who wish the National Service Trust to pay certain interest accruing on qualified student loans.

Total Respondents: 4,000 responses annually, using the paper form.

Frequency: Some members do not have qualified student loans while others have several. Currently, over half of the interest payments are processed electronically. The Corporation expects the use of paper forms to decrease over the next few years.

Average Time per Response: Total of 10 minutes (one minute for the AmeriCorps member's section (non-electronic version) and nine minutes for the loan holder).

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 667 hours.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): None.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): None.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

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Maggie Taylor-Coates,

Manager (Acting), National Service Trust.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Closed Meeting of the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Executive Panel

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The CNO Executive Panel will report on the findings and recommendations of the Navy Medicine to the Chief of Naval Operations. The meeting will consist of discussions of the organization, training, and equipping of Navy medical forces; standards of care for Navy members and their dependents; care for wounded members of the Naval service; the optimal level of "jointness" in Navy medicine; public policy recommendations to control the rising cost of Navy health care.

DATES: The meeting will be held on April 23, 2008 from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Multi Purpose Room of The CNA Corporation, 4825 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22311.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Commander David Di Tallo, U.S. Navy, CNO Executive Panel, 4825 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22311, telephone: 703 681-4908.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2), these matters constitute sensitive information that is specifically authorized to be kept private. Accordingly, the Secretary of the Navy has determined in writing that the public interest requires that all sessions of this meeting be closed to the public because they will be concerned with matters listed in section 552b(c)(6) of title 5, United States Code.

Individuals or interested groups interested may submit written statements for consideration by the Chief of Naval Operations Executive Panel at any time or in response to the agenda of a scheduled meeting. All requests must be submitted to the Designated Federal Officer at the address detailed below.

If the written statement is in response to the agenda mentioned in this meeting notice then the statement, if it is to be considered by the Panel for this meeting, must be received at least five days prior to the meeting in question.

The Designated Federal Officer will review all timely submissions with the Chief of Naval Operations Executive Panel Chairperson, and ensure they are provided to members of the Chief of Naval Operations Executive Panel before the meeting that is the subject of this notice.

To contact the Designated Federal Officer, write to Executive Director, CNO Executive Panel (N00K), 4825 Mark Center Drive, 2nd Floor, Alexandria, VA 22311-1846.

Dated: March 21, 2008.

T.M. Cruz,

Lieutenant, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Office of English Language Acquisition, Language Enhancement, and Academic Achievement for Limited English Proficient Students; Overview Information; Foreign Language Assistance Program—Local Educational Agencies; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2008

[Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.293B].

Dates: Applications Available: March 27, 2008.

Deadline for Notice of Intent to Apply: April 11, 2008.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: April 30, 2008.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: June 30, 2008.

Full Text of Announcement

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Purpose of Program: The Foreign Language Assistance Program (FLAP) provides grants to local educational agencies (LEAs) for innovative model programs providing for the establishment, improvement, or expansion of foreign language study for elementary and secondary school students. Under this competition, as required by the fiscal year 2008 Appropriations Act, 5-year grants will be awarded to LEAs to work in partnership with one or more institutions of higher education (IHEs) to establish or expand articulated programs of study in languages critical to United States national security in order to enable successful students to achieve a superior level of proficiency in those languages as they advance from elementary school through high school and college. In addition, an LEA that receives a grant under this program must use the funds to support programs that show the promise of being continued beyond the grant period and demonstrate approaches that can be disseminated to and duplicated in other LEAs. Projects supported under this program may also include a professional development component.

Priorities: This notice involves an absolute priority and four competitive preference priorities. The absolute priority is from Public Law 110-161, the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2008, Division G, Title III, School Improvement Programs. In accordance with 34 CFR 75.105(b)(2)(iv), Competitive Preference Priorities #1 through #4 are from section 5493 of the Foreign Language Assistance Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. 7259b).