

copy of all comments must be served on all parties of record.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Joseph H. Dettmar, (202) 927-5660. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through TDD at (202) 927-5721.]

Decided: January 25, 1996.

By the Board, David M. Konschnik,  
Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of Thrift Supervision

#### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of Thrift Supervision,  
Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for  
comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Currently, the Office of Thrift Supervision within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Savings and Loan Holding Company Registration Statement, OTS Form H-(b)10.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before April 1, 1996 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Manager, Dissemination Branch, Records Management and Information Policy, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, Attention 1550-0020. These submissions may be hand delivered to 1700 G Street, NW. From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on business days; they may be sent by facsimile transmission to FAX Number (202) 906-7755. Comments over 25 pages in length should be sent to FAX Number (202) 906-6956. Comments will be available for inspection at 1700 G Street, NW., from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on business days.

Copies of the OTS Form H-(b)10 with instructions are available for inspection at 1700 G Street, NW., from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on business days or from

PubliFax, OTS' Fax-on-Demand system, at (202) 906-5660.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for additional information should be directed to Pamela Schaar, Corporate Activities Division, Supervision Policy, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, (202) 906-7205.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Title: Savings and Loan Holding Company Registration Statement.  
OMB Number: 1550-0020.  
Form Number: OTS Form H-(b)10.  
Abstract: This information is collected to determine if a savings and loan holding company's adherence to the statutes, regulations and conditions of approval to acquire an insured institution and whether any of the holding company's activities would be injurious to the operation of the subsidiary savings institution.

Current Actions: OTS is proposing to renew this information collection without revision.

Type of Review: Extension.  
Affected Public: Business or for Profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 138.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 8 Hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1100.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Written comments should address the accuracy of the burden estimates and ways to minimize burden including the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology, as well as other relevant aspects of the information collection request.

Catherine C.M. Teti,  
*Director, Records Management and Information Policy.*

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#### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of Thrift Supervision,  
Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for  
comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and

other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Currently, the Office of Thrift Supervision within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Savings and Loan Holding Company Applications.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before April 1, 1996 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Manager, Dissemination Branch, Records Management and Information Policy, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, Attention 1550-0015. These submissions may be hand delivered to 1700 G Street, NW. From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on business days; they may be sent by facsimile transmission to FAX Number (202) 906-7755. Comments over 25 pages in length should be sent to FAX Number (202) 906-6956. Comments will be available for inspection at 1700 G Street, NW., from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on business days.

Copies of the OTS Forms H-(e)\_\_\_\_, OTS Form 1393 and OTS Application Certification with instructions are available for inspection at 1700 G Street, NW., from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on business days or from PubliFax, OTS' Fax-on-Demand system, at (202) 906-5660.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for additional information should be directed to Pamela Schaar, Corporate Activities Division, Supervision Policy, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, (202) 906-7205.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Title: Savings and Loan Holding Company Applications.

OMB Number: 1550-0015.

Form Number: OTS Form H-(e)\_\_\_\_,  
OTS Form 1393, Application  
Certification.

Abstract: This information is necessary to determine whether a company meets the statutory standards to become a savings and loan holding company.

Current Actions: OTS is proposing to renew this information collection without revision.

Type of Review: Extension.  
Affected Public: Business or for Profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1487.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 72.4 Hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 107,710.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Written comments should address the accuracy of the burden estimates and ways to minimize burden including the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology, as well as other relevant aspects of the information collection request.

Catherine C.M. Teti,  
Director, Records Management and  
Information Policy.  
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## UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY

### U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy Meeting

**AGENCY:** United States Information Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy will hold a symposium on "America's Interests Abroad and Budget Realities", Wednesday, January 31 at 10 a.m.-12 noon at the Grand Hyatt Hotel, 1000 H Street, N.W., (Independence Level).

Participants will be: Chairman Lewis Manilow, Moderator; Mr. Robert Earle, Minister Counselor for Public Affairs, U.S. Embassy Bonn; Mr. David Good, Counselor of Embassy for Public Affairs, U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv; Mr. Robert LaGamma, Counselor of Embassy for Public Affairs, U.S. Embassy Pretoria; Mr. William Maurer, Minister Counselor for Public Affairs, U.S. Embassy Seoul.

The President, Congress, and the American people are asking America's foreign affairs agencies to rethink what they do and how they do it. This symposium brings together senior diplomats from countries important to U.S. interests abroad. Panelists will discuss foreign perceptions of the United States, and look at how information age opportunities and budget realities are changing the way America understands, informs, and influences foreign publics.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Please call Betty Hayes, (202) 619-4468, if you are interested in attending the meeting.

Dated: January 25, 1996.  
Rose Royal,  
Management Analyst, Federal Register  
Liaison.  
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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Privacy Act of 1974; Amendments to a System of Records

**AGENCY:** Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

**ACTION:** Notice of amendments to system of records.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Veterans Affairs is amending a system of records entitled, "VA Supervised Fiduciary and Beneficiary Records—VA 37VA27" which was completely revised in 47 FR 29132 dated July 6, 1982. The system of records has been altered to update U.S. Code citations, add an additional category of individuals to be covered by the system and five new categories of records; identify two existing paper file groups within the system that may contain record information, and name an automated record system that takes the place of the ADIS (Automated Diary and Index System). Two new routine uses are being added and two existing routine uses are being deleted.

**DATES AND ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, suggestions or objections regarding the proposed system of records to the Director, Office of Regulations management (02D), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420. All relevant material received before March 1, 1996, will be considered. All written comments received will be available for public inspection in the Office of Regulations Management, Room 1176, 801 I Street, NW., Washington, DC 20001, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except Federal holidays).

If no public comment is received during the 30-day review period allowed for public comment, or unless otherwise published in the Federal Register by VA, the routine use statements included herein are effective March 1, 1996, and all other provisions included herein are effective March 1, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert Bishop, Program Analyst, Outreach and Customer Services Staff (274), Veterans Benefits Administration, 810 Vermont, NW., Washington, DC 20420, telephone (202) 273-6740.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The name of the system is to be changed from "VA Supervised Fiduciary and Beneficiary Records—VA" (37VA27) to "VA Supervised Fiduciary/Beneficiary and General Investigative Records—VA" (37VA27). The title change more accurately reflects the type of records maintained in this system.

The new category of individuals will include veterans or other beneficiaries for whom investigations of other than fiduciary program matters are conducted. These investigations are called nonfiduciary program (nonprogram) field examinations or investigations. The change to this system will also incorporate additions to the types of records maintained: (1) Copies of nonfiduciary program investigative reports, (2) photographs of people (incompetent beneficiaries and other persons who are the subject of a VA investigation), places, and things, (3) finger print records, (4) incompetent beneficiary record information in the Fiduciary Beneficiary System (FBS), and (5) Social Security Administration (SSA) information and records pertaining to incompetent beneficiaries who are also in receipt of VA benefits.

Identifying nonfiduciary program investigative reports within the system of records will allow VA to file copies of records of completed nonfiduciary program investigations by a name or some other identifier. These investigations may be conducted for the purpose of developing evidence to enable a VA organizational element to make administrative decisions on benefits eligibility and other issues. Nonprogram field examinations or investigations are also used to develop evidence for further investigation of potential criminal issues. Currently there is no authority to file and maintain copies of nonfiduciary program investigative reports by name or other identifier. Original reports are sent to the VA element that requested the investigation where disclosures of information are covered under other system of records routine uses. VA field station personnel may place copies of these reports in chronological order in files called veterans files and correspondence files making it difficult to retrieve a report in medium to large stations where the number of nonfiduciary program investigations tends to be large. Follow-up requests for information about the reports often are made by name or numerical identifier and do not contain the approximate dates of either the report or the request for the investigation.

Adding to the category of records photographs of people (incompetent