

powers and the performance of its functions under the Act. The Ombudsman cannot overturn the decision of an agency, although recommendations can be made to that agency or the responsible minister.

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Immigration and Naturalization Service

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

**ACTION:** Request OMB Emergency Approval; Sworn Statement of Refugee Applying for Admission to the United States.

The Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) has submitted an emergency information collection request (ICR) utilizing emergency review procedures, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with section 1320.13(a)(1)(ii) and (a)(2)(iii) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The INS has determined that it cannot reasonably comply with the normal clearance procedures under this part because normal clearance procedures are reasonably likely to prevent or disrupt the collection of information. INS is requesting emergency review from OMB of this information collection to ensure compliance with the Vice President's statement that the United States begin processing refugees from Kosovar. Emergency review and approval of this ICR ensures that the Kosovar refugees are processed as expeditiously as possible. Therefore, OMB approval has been requested by April 29, 1999. If granted, the emergency approval is only valid for 180 days. ALL comments and/or questions pertaining to this pending request for emergency approval MUST be directed to OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Mr. Stuart Shapiro, 202-395-7316, Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20503. Comments regarding the emergency submission of this information collection may also be submitted via facsimile to Mr. Shapiro at 202-395-6974.

During the first 60 days of this same period, a regular review of this information collection is also being undertaken. During the regular review period, the INS requests written comments and suggestions from the

public and affected agencies concerning this information collection. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until July 6, 1999. During the 60-day regular review, ALL comments and suggestions, or questions regarding additional information, to include obtaining a copy of the information collection instrument with instructions, should be directed to Mr. Richard A. Sloan, 202-514-3291, Director, Policy Directives and Instructions Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, U.S. Department of Justice, Room 5307, 425 I Street, NW., Washington, DC 20536. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

- (1) 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;
- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) 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.

Overview of this information collection:

- (1) Type of Information Collection: New collection.
- (2) Title of the Form/Collection: Sworn Statement of Refugee Applying for Admission to the United States.
- (3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection: Form G-646, Office of International Affairs, Immigration and Naturalization Service.
- (4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals or households. This form provides the grounds for admissibility to the United States as they apply to refugees. The information collected allows INS to make admissibility determinations for refugees.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to

respond: 75,000 responses at 30 minutes (.50 hours) per response.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 37,500 annual burden hours.

If additional information is required contact: Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management and Security Staff, Justice Management Division, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: April 29, 1999.

**Richard A. Sloan,**

*Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### National Institute of Justice

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#### National Institute of Justice Announcement of the Availability of the Solicitation for Safe School Technologies

**AGENCY:** Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice, Justice.

**ACTION:** Notice of solicitation.

**SUMMARY:** Announcement of the availability of the National Institute of Justice "Solicitation for Safe School Technologies."

**DATES:** Due date for receipt of proposals is close of business, Monday, June 7, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** National Institute of Justice, 810 Seventh Street, NW, Washington, DC 20531.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For a copy of the solicitation, please call NCJRS 1-800-851-3420. For general information about application procedures for solicitations, please call the U.S. Department of Justice Response Center 1-800-421-6770.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### Authority

This action is authorized under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, sections 201-03, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 3721-23 (1994).

#### Background

This solicitation seeks proposals to develop new or improved technologies and/or implement appropriate technologies in an innovative manner

into the nation's schools. Proposals should focus on the research, development, testing, evaluation, adoption, and implementation phases of new technology; or you may propose innovative modifications to existing technology.

Important themes to be addressed in proposals are: How important is the new technology to school safety? How much will the technology cost to purchase and maintain? Are there hidden costs? What are the net savings on labor? How much training is required to use or maintain the technology? And, how will courts view the technology in terms of liability and interference with personal freedoms? Proposals should address these general themes, however, it is not necessary to explicitly answer each question.

Multiple awards totaling \$950,000 will be made available under this solicitation. This solicitation is not intended to fund the purchase and installation of existing commercial systems.

Interested organizations should call the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) at 1-800-851-3420 to obtain a copy of "Solicitation for Safe School Technologies" (refer to document no. SL000338). For World Wide Web access, connect either to either NIJ at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/funding.htm>, or the NCJRS Justice Information Center at <http://www.ncjrs.org/fedgrant.htm#nij>.

**Jeremy Travis,**

*Director, National Institute of Justice.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### National Institute of Justice

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RIN 1121-ZB59

#### Announcement of the Availability of the National Institute of Justice Solicitation for Video Sensing and Processing Technologies

**AGENCY:** Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice, Justice.

**ACTION:** Notice of Solicitation.

**SUMMARY:** Announcement of the availability of the National Institute of Justice "Solicitation for Video Sensing and Processing Technologies."

**DATES:** Due date for receipt of proposals is close of business, Friday, May 28, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** National Institute of Justice, 810 Seventh Street, NW, Washington, DC 20531.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For a copy of the solicitation, please call NCJRS 1-800-851-3420. For general information about application procedures for solicitations, please call the U.S. Department of Justice Response Center 1-800-421-6770.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Authority**

This action is authorized under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, sections 201-03, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 3721-23 (1994).

**Background**

In this solicitation the National Institute of Justice seeks proposals that offer innovative and novel technology approaches that increase video sensing and processing effectiveness. Proposals must describe proposed efforts to advance video sensing and processing beyond the state-of-the-art and document your understanding of the current state-of-the-art. Possible areas of focus include officer protection and crime prevention, communication and information technology, and forensic and investigative sciences. These topics are not all inclusive.

NIJ anticipates supporting several grants under this solicitation. There is \$175,000 available for funding this solicitation in FY 1999, with additional funding possible from the Safe Schools Initiative. It is anticipated that \$800,000 will be available in FY 2000.

Interested organizations should call the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) at 1-800-851-3420 to obtain a copy of "Solicitation for Video Sensing and Processing Technologies" (refer to document no. SL000348). For World Wide Web access, connect either to either NIJ at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/funding.htm>, or the NCJRS Justice Information Center at <http://www.ncjrs.org/fedgrant.htm#nij>.

**Jeremy Travis,**

*Director, National Institute of Justice.*

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## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (99-063)]

#### NASA Advisory Council (NAC), Task Force on International Space Station Operational Readiness; Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces an open meeting of the NAC Task Force on International Space Station Operational Readiness (IOR).

**DATES:** Thursday, May 13, 1999, 12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

**ADDRESSES:** NASA Headquarters, 300 E Street, SW, Room 7B13, Washington, DC 20546.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Philip Cleary, Code IH, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546-0001, 202/358-4461.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting is as follows: —Review the readiness of the Shuttle (STS-96) Mission (ISS assembly flight 2A.1). It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitors register.

Dated: April 28, 1999.

**Mathew M. Crouch,**

*Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.*

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## NATIONAL GAMBLING IMPACT STUDY COMMISSION

### Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Gambling Impact Study Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** At its thirteenth regular meeting the National Gambling Impact Study Commission, established under Public Law 104-169, dated August 3, 1996, will hear possible presentations from one or more subcommittees; continue its ongoing review of Commission research on economic and social gambling impacts; and deliberate on possible findings and recommendations for the Final Report.

**DATES:** Monday, May 17, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday, May 18, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting site will be: Federal North Holiday Inn on the Hill, 415 New Jersey Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20001.