

purpose of this Notice is to allow 30 days for public comment.

DATES: Submit comments directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) up to July 25, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Direct comments to the Department of State Desk Officer in the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). You may submit comments by the following methods:

- *Email:* oir_submission@omb.eop.gov. You must include the DS form number, information collection title, and the OMB control number in the subject line of your message.

Fax: 202–395–5806. Attention: Desk Officer for Department of State.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to Andrea Battista, SA–1, 12th Floor, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, Bureau of Political Military Affairs, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20522–0112, via phone at (202) 663–3136, or via email at battistaal@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- *Title of Information Collection:* Request for Approval of Manufacturing License Agreements, Technical Assistance Agreements, and Other Agreements.
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405–0093.
- *Type of Request:* Extension.
- *Originating Office:* Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC).
- *Form Number:* No Form.
- *Respondents:* Business, Nonprofit Organizations, or Persons who intend to furnish defense services or technical data to a foreign person.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 580.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 4430.
- *Average Time Per Response:* 2 hours.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 8,860 hours.
- *Frequency:* On occasion.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Mandatory.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

Abstract of Proposed Collection

DDTC regulates the export and temporary import of defense articles and services enumerated on the USML in accordance with the Arms Export Control Act (AECA) (22 U.S.C. 2751 *et seq.*) and the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) (22 CFR parts 120–130). In accordance with ITAR § 124.1, any person who intends to furnish defense services or technical data to a foreign person must submit a proposed technical assistance, manufacturing, or distribution license agreement and obtain prior authorization from DDTC for such agreement. Amendments to existing agreements must also be submitted for approval. The electronic mechanism utilized for submitting, reviewing, and approving agreement proposals is the Defense Trade Application Systems (DTAS). Specifically, this process utilizes the DSP–5 license application as the primary instrument or “vehicle” for transmitting agreements and their respective amendments from one phase of the adjudication process to the next.

Methodology

Respondents will submit information as attachments to relevant license applications or requests for other approval.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 10455]

30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Maintenance of Records by DDTC Registrants

ACTION: Notice of request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of State has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for

approval. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this Notice is to allow 30 days for public comment.

DATES: Submit comments directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) up to July 25, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Direct comments to the Department of State Desk Officer in the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). You may submit comments by the following methods:

- *Email:* oir_submission@omb.eop.gov. You must include the DS form number, information collection title, and the OMB control number in the subject line of your message.

Fax: 202–395–5806. Attention: Desk Officer for Department of State.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to Andrea Battista, SA–1, 12th Floor, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, Bureau of Political Military Affairs, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20522–0112, via phone at (202) 663–3136, or via email at battistaal@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- *Title of Information Collection:* Maintenance of Records by Registrants.
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405–0111.
- *Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.
- *Originating Office:* Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (PM/DDTC).
- *Form Number:* No form.
- *Respondents:* Persons registered with DDTC who conduct business regulated by the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR, 22 CFR parts 120–130).
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 9,100.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 9,100.
- *Average Time per Response:* 20 hours.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 182,000 hours.
- *Frequency:* Annually.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Mandatory.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the

validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

Abstract of Proposed Collection

The ITAR requires persons registered with DDTC to maintain records pertaining to defense trade-related transactions. This information collection approves the record-keeping requirements imposed on registrants by the ITAR. Respondents to this collection may submit their records to DDTC as supporting documentation for disclosures of potential violations of the AECA. The method by which respondents submit these records is approved under OMB control no. 1405-0179. DDTC uses these records to analyze industry compliance processes and procedures, and to help assess whether the activity in question might merit administrative sanctions or referral to the Department of Justice for possible criminal prosecution.

Methodology

Respondents may maintain records in any format consistent with the provisions in ITAR § 122.5.

Anthony M. Dearth,

Managing Director (Acting), Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, Department of State.
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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

[Docket Number USTR-2018-0019; Dispute Number WT/DS531]

WTO Dispute Settlement Proceeding Regarding Canada—Measures Governing the Sale of Wine in Grocery Stores (Second Complaint)

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice with request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) is

providing notice that the United States has requested the establishment of a dispute settlement panel under the *Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization* (WTO Agreement). That request may be found at www.wto.org in a document designated as WT/DS531/7. USTR invites written comments from the public concerning the issues raised in this dispute.

DATES: Although USTR will accept any comments during the course of the dispute settlement proceedings, you should submit your comment on or before July 20, 2018, to be assured of timely consideration by USTR.

ADDRESSES: USTR strongly prefers electronic submissions made through the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments in section III below. The docket number is USTR-2018-0019. For alternatives to on-line submissions, please contact Sandy McKinzy at (202) 395-9483.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Associate General Counsel Joseph Rieras at (202) 395-3775.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Section 127(b)(1) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA) (19 U.S.C. 3537(b)(1)) requires notice and opportunity for comment after the United States submits or receives a request for the establishment of a WTO dispute settlement panel. Pursuant to this provision, USTR is providing notice that the United States has requested a dispute settlement panel pursuant to the *WTO Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* (DSU). Once the WTO establishes a dispute settlement panel, the panel will hold its meetings in Geneva, Switzerland.

II. Major Issues Raised by the United States

In 2017, the United States requested consultations with Canada regarding measures maintained by the Canadian province of British Columbia (BC) governing the sale of wine in grocery stores. The United States alleged that the BC wine measures provide advantages to BC wine through the granting of exclusive access to the retail channel of selling wine on grocery store shelves, while limiting imported wine to be sold in grocery stores only through a so-called “store within a store.” The parties failed to reach a mutually satisfactory resolution to this dispute. On May 25, 2018, the United States

requested that the WTO establish a panel to consider the U.S. complaint.

The United States alleges the BC measures are inconsistent with Canada’s obligations under Article III:4 of the *General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994*.

III. Public Comments: Requirements for Submissions

USTR invites written comments concerning the issues raised in this dispute. All submissions must be in English and sent electronically via www.regulations.gov. To submit comments via www.regulations.gov, enter docket number USTR-2018-0019 on the home page and click “search.” The site will provide a search-results page listing all documents associated with this docket. Find a reference to this notice by selecting “notice” under “document type” on the left side of the search-results page, and click on the link entitled “comment now!” For further information on using the www.regulations.gov website, please consult the resources provided on the website by clicking on “How to Use Regulations.gov” on the bottom of the home page.

The www.regulations.gov website allows users to provide comments by filling in a “type comment” field, or by attaching a document using an “upload file” field. USTR prefers that comments be provided in an attached document. If a document is attached, it is sufficient to type “see attached” in the “type comment” field. USTR prefers submissions in Microsoft Word (.doc) or Adobe Acrobat (.pdf). If the submission is in an application other than those two, please indicate the name of the application in the “type comment” field.

For any comments submitted electronically containing business confidential information, the file name of the business confidential version should begin with the characters “BC”. Any page containing business confidential information must be clearly marked “BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL” on the top and bottom of that page and the submission should clearly indicate, via brackets, highlighting, or other means, the specific information that is business confidential. If you request business confidential treatment, you must certify in writing that disclosure of the information would endanger trade secrets or profitability, and that the information would not customarily be released to the public. Filers of submissions containing business confidential information also must submit a public version of their comments. The file name of the public