

Because the information is coming directly from the employer through Equifax, we will receive timely and accurate wage and employment reporting and will be able to administer SSDI benefits and SSI payments more efficiently.

- Needed to prevent improper payments of SSDI and SSI benefits.
  - As indicated above, we do not always receive timely reports of changes that could affect SSDI entitlement, SSI eligibility, or SSI benefit amounts, and this may cause improper payments. Requirements to verify wages may also cause delays that lead to improper payments. Changes in a person's work and wages are a leading cause of improper payments in the SSDI and SSI programs. While we use a number of sources to verify wage amounts, verifying wages is currently a manual process, and we continue to rely on beneficiaries to self-report wages.<sup>9</sup> With automated information exchanges, we will be able to obtain the wage and employment records timely and without the need for additional verification from other sources.

#### Data Elements

The information exchange will require SSA and Equifax to exchange specific data elements. We will send the data elements below to Equifax to ensure we are requesting employment and wage information for the correct individual and timeframe. Equifax and SSA will use a federally compliant, secure means to exchange data and conduct the automated comparison of SSA to Equifax records under this information exchange.

In order to request wage and employment information, we will provide the following information from the Supplemental Security Income Record and Special Veterans Benefits for SSI<sup>10</sup> and the eWork for SSDI<sup>11</sup> to Equifax:

- (1) Social Security number (SSN) of the beneficiary, recipient, or deemor;
  - (2) Start date and end date (month and year) of wage and employment information being requested;
  - (3) Tracking identification number.
- (In response to our request, Equifax will provide the following wage and employment information to us, if available:

- (1) Wage earner's SSN

- (2) Wage earner's first name
- (3) Wage earner's last name
- (4) Employer name
- (5) Employer identification number
- (6) Employer address
- (7) Transmission date of wage and employment response from Equifax to us
- (8) Date of payment
- (9) Amount of gross pay
- (10) Frequency of pay
- (11) Pay period begin and end date
- (12) Year-to-date gross wage amount
- (13) Applicable deductions, including but not limited to the following:
  - a. Federal, state and local taxes
  - b. Federal Insurance Contributions Act taxes
  - c. Medicare taxes
  - d. Garnishment
  - e. Cafeteria plans
- (14) Employer telephone number
- (15) Wage earner's job title
- (16) Employment begin date
- (17) Employment end date
- (18) Amount of net pay
- (19) Pay rate
- (20) Hours worked per pay period

#### Request for Comments

We are requesting comments concerning the specifics of our proposal to implement an information exchange under section 824 of the BBA. We ask that, in preparing comments, you address questions such as:

1. Have we identified the appropriate design for an information exchange?
2. Are there any additional operational elements of an information exchange that we should include?

We will not respond to your comments, but we will consider them as we review our plan to implement the information exchange under section 824 of the BBA.

The Commissioner of the Social Security Administration, Andrew Saul, having reviewed and approved this document, is delegating the authority to electronically sign this document to Faye I. Lipsky, who is the primary Federal Register Liaison for SSA, for purposes of publication in the **Federal Register**.

**Faye I. Lipsky,**

*Federal Register Liaison, Office of Legislation and Congressional Affairs, Social Security Administration.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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#### In the Matter of the Designation of Ansarallah (and other Aliases) as a Foreign Terrorist Organization

Based upon a review of the Administrative Record assembled in this matter, and in consultation with the Attorney General and the Secretary of the Treasury, I conclude that there is a sufficient factual basis to find that the relevant circumstances described in section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended (hereinafter "INA") (8 U.S.C. 1189), exist with respect to Ansarallah, also known as Ansar Allah; also known as Ansarullah; also known as Partisans of God; and also known as Supporters of God. Therefore, I hereby designate the aforementioned organization and its aliases as a foreign terrorist organization pursuant to section 219 of the INA.

This determination shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: January 12, 2021.

**Michael R. Pompeo,**  
*Secretary of State.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 11320]

#### 30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Special Immigrant Visa Biodata Form

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comment and submission to OMB of proposed collection of information.

**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 February 18, 2021.

**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:* [oira\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oira_submission@omb.eop.gov). You must include the DS form number, information collection

<sup>9</sup> See page 22 of the Congressional Justification for SSA's Fiscal Year 2020 budget available here: [https://www.ssa.gov/budget/FY20Files/FY20-JEAC\\_2.pdf](https://www.ssa.gov/budget/FY20Files/FY20-JEAC_2.pdf).

<sup>10</sup> See 71 FR 1830 (Jan. 11, 2006) to view the System of Records Notice 60-0103.

<sup>11</sup> See 68 FR 54037 (Sep. 15, 2003) to view the System of Records Notice 60-0330.