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SUPPORTING STATEMENT
FOR PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT SUBMISSION

AFFIDAVIT OF PHYSICAL PRESENCE OR RESIDENCE, PARENTAGE, AND SUPPORT

OMB# 1405-0187 (DS-5507)

A. JUSTIFICATION

1. Why is this collection necessary and what are the legal statutes that allow this?

The DS-5507, Affidavit of Physical Presence or Residence, Parentage, and Support may be used in conjunction with the DS-2029, Application for Consular Report of Birth Abroad (CRBA) of a Citizen of the United States of America and/or the DS-11, Application for a U.S. Passport, when a person born abroad to a U.S. citizen parent or parents seeks to document they acquired U.S. citizenship at birth through a U.S. citizen parent or parents who (may) have satisfied the applicable statutory requirements under Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, as amended (INA), Sections 301, 308 or 309 (8 U.S.C. 1401, 1408 or 1409).

If a non-U.S. citizen parent of a child born abroad submits the DS-2029 and/or DS-11 on the child's behalf at a U.S. embassy or consulate and the U.S. citizen parent is not present for that appointment, the non-appearing parent may separately submit a DS-5507 that has been signed and notarized before an authorized official. The DS-5507 requests the same information regarding parentage and dates of physical presence or prior residence in the United States as the DS-2029. Additionally, for a citizenship claim under INA Section 309(a) (8 U.S.C. 1409) (birth abroad out of wedlock to a U.S. citizen father) both the DS-2029 and the DS-5507 provide for the option of acknowledgment of paternity under oath and a statement agreeing to support the child financially until the age of 18. As indicated on each form, it is not expected that a transmitting U.S. citizen parent who completes the DS-2029 would also be required to complete the DS 5507 or vice versa.

Similarly, the DS-5507 may be submitted in conjunction with a first-time passport application for a person born abroad to a U.S. citizen parent or parents when the person has not previously documented his/her acquisition of U.S. citizenship at birth.

This information collection is undertaken pursuant to INA Section 104(a)(3), (8 U.S.C. 1104) which charges the Secretary of State with the determination of nationality of a person not in the United States and 22 U.S.C. 211a, 22 U.S.C. 213. 22 U.S.C. § 2705 provides that a CRBA and a full validity, unexpired U.S. passport shall have the same force and effect as proof of United States citizenship as certificates of naturalization or of citizenship issued by the Attorney General or by a court having naturalization jurisdiction.

2. *What business purpose is the information gathered going to be used for?*

   The information collected on the DS-5507 is used in conjunction with the DS-2029 and/or DS-11 to assist in determining whether a U.S. national parent of a child born abroad or in a U.S. territory has met the statutory physical presence or residence requirements for the child to acquire U.S. nationality at birth; and, if applicable, whether a U.S. national father of a child born abroad out of wedlock has met additional requirements of INA Section 309(a) (8 U.S.C. 1409(a)) with respect to acknowledgement of paternity and financial support for the child to acquire U.S. citizenship at birth.

3. *Is this collection able to be completed electronically (e.g., through a website or application)?*

   The DS-5507 is PDF fillable online at eforms.gov. However, the DS-5507 cannot be submitted electronically because it is an affidavit forming an integral part of an application for a CRBA and/or a first time application for a U.S. passport, both of which require an in person appearance under 22 U.S.C. 213 and 22 CFR Parts 50 and 51. The DS- 5507 must be signed before and notarized by a consular officer or other person duly authorized to administer oaths.

4. *Does this collection duplicate any other collection of information?*

   The information collected is duplicative of information collected on the DS-2029, Consular Report of Birth Abroad to a Citizen of the United States of America. As indicated on each form, it is not expected that a transmitting U.S. citizen parent who completes the DS-2029 would also be required to complete the DS-5507 or vice versa.

5. *Describe any impacts on small business.*

   The information collection does not involve or impact small businesses or other small entities.

6. *What are consequences if this collection is not done?*

   If the collection was not conducted, the Department could lack the necessary information to make the appropriate determination on a child's U.S. nationality status at birth, potentially amounting to considerable hardship to children born abroad to a U.S. citizen and to their families.

7. *Are there any special collection circumstances?*

   There are circumstances that require applicants to submit both the DS-5507 and DS-2029 (Control No. 1405-0011) forms together. As a result, simultaneous distribution to our U.S. embassies and consulates is necessary. Therefore, the Department requests simultaneous OMB approval of the DS-5507 and DS-2029. The DS-2029 supporting statement is being submitted separately.

8. *Document publication (or intent to publish) a request for public comments in the Federal Register.*

   The Department will publish a 60-day notice in the Federal Register to solicit public comments on this collection.

9. *Are payments or gifts given to the respondents?*

   This information collection does not provide any payment or gift to respondents.

10. *Describe assurances of privacy/confidentiality.*

    This form includes a Privacy Act Statement explaining the routine uses of the information collected under the Act. There are no promises of confidentiality to the respondents. More information on the routine uses of the information collected on this form can be found in System of Records Notices State-05, Overseas Citizen Services Records and Other Overseas Records and State-26, Passport Records available in the Federal Register and online at https://www.state.gov/system-of-records-notices-privacy-office.

11. *Are any questions of a sensitive nature asked?*

    The Immigration and Nationality Act sets forth different transmission requirements for parents of a child born abroad in-wedlock or out-of-wedlock. Accordingly, the Department must obtain this information to determine which section of the INA applies. Additionally, the parent(s) are asked whether they are the biological parent(s) of the child. Because the DS-5507 is used in conjunction with a CRBA application (DS-2029) and/or a first-time passport application (DS-11) for a child born abroad to a U.S. citizen parent or parents, these questions are necessary to determine which section of the INA applies and whether the requirements of that section are met.

12. *Describe the hour time burden and the hour cost burden on the respondent needed to complete this collection.*

    Respondent Hour Time Burden and Hour Cost Burden

Time and Cost Burden Figures

Hour Time Burden	**81,081**
Hour Cost Burden	**$3,955,131**

The Department calculated the estimated number of respondents for this collection by taking the average number of projected respondents for the next three years as shown below:

Respondent Projections

	DS-5507
FY 2027	160,320
FY 2028	162,154
FY 2029	164,010
Average	**162,161**

The Department estimated that the average time required to complete this information collection is 30 minutes per response. The estimate is based on a sampling of the time required to search existing data sources, gather the necessary information, provide the information required, review the final collection, and submit the collection to the Department for processing. The Department completed the sampling through consultation with a group of Department employees to validate the time. Therefore, the estimated total hour time burden to the respondent to complete this collection is:

162,161 (number of respondents) x 30 (minutes to complete form per respondent) / 60 =
81,081 hour time burden

The estimated cost to respondents is based on the civilian hourly wage listed in the Employer Costs for Employee Compensation released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in 2026. The base hourly wage is estimated to be $33.45[i]. We also incorporate a benefit cost of $15.33, and the total hourly wage is calculated to be $48.78.

$48.78 (weighted hourly wage) x 81,080 (hour time burden) =
$3,955,131 hour cost burden

The Department acknowledges that there is also a time burden associated with traveling to and from the nearest location to sign the DS-5507 before an authorized official and those assumptions are described below.

13. *Describe the monetary burden to respondents (out of pocket costs) needed to complete this collection.*

Respondent Monetary Burden

Estimated Out-of-Pocket Cost

Incurred Items	Formula Calculations	Cost
Travel Mileage	162,161 respondents x 10 miles x $0.76 per mile	$1,232,424
	Total Out-of-Pocket Cost	**$1,232,424**

Respondents may incur out-of- pocket cost to travel to the nearest U.S. embassy, consulate, or passport agency (if respondent is in the United States) to sign and submit the form before an authorized official. Since signed forms are generally witnessed at a Department of State authorized facility to be used in conjunction with a pending DS-2029 or DS-11, the respondent would incur no notary and shipping costs. Roundtrip travel distance and cost to one of the 250+ U.S. embassies or consulates[ii] and 29 passport agencies[iii] varies by transportation mode and location.

The Department does not maintain administrative data on the distance that respondents travel to submit the DS-5507 in-person. However, to satisfy the out-of-pocket cost burden to travel to the nearest facility, we calculate that 100 percent of respondents (162,161) travel. Based on embassy and consulate locations worldwide and considering the total number of available Department of State authorized facilities available to respondents, we estimate average distance of five (5) miles one way and ten (10) miles roundtrip to travel to the nearest facility. To determine the travel cost to the respondent, the Department factored in the General Services Administration mileage reimbursement rate of $0.76 per mile[iv] for privately owned vehicles (POV) and multiplied by 10 - which equals $7.60 roundtrip.

14. *Describe the cost incurred by the Federal Government to complete this collection.*

Cost Incurred by Federal Government

Items	**Formula Calculations**	**Cost**
Time and Expense to process form	162,161 (Respondents) x $135 (Consular Officer Hourly Wage) x .25 (hours to review form)	$5,472,934
Cost to publish two Federal Register Notices	2 x $795	$1,590
	Total Incurred Federal Government Cost	**$5,474,524**

Government Adjudication Cost

To determine the estimated cost to the federal government, we account for employee wages by calculating 162,161 (respondents), multiplying by $135 (Consular Officer Hourly Wage), then multiplying by .25 (hours to review each form) - which equals $5,472,934 (time/expense to process form). The hourly rate for Consular Officer time ($135/hour) is used because the forms are processed by Foreign Service Officers at U.S. embassies and consulates. The dollar amount of $135 per hour is not an hourly wage but reflects the number of resources attributed to Consular Officer time based on the activity-based costing model used at U.S. embassies and consulates.

Government Federal Register Notice Cost

Cost to the Federal Government also includes publishing two Federal Register Notices (FRN) to receive public comments. A 60-day FRN is published and a 30-day FRN is published at $795 each - with a total **$1,590** cost to the federal government.

15. *Explain any changes/adjustments to this collection since the previous submission*

In addition to general format, pronoun, and plain language changes, the following content changes have been made to the form:

Instruction Page 1; HOWTO COMPLETE THIS FORM; Part I; Section d:

Revised language to: "*List first the full name, date, and place of birth of each child applying for a Consular Report of Birth Abroad and/or U.S. passport and check "Yes" in the "Applying?" column. Check "Yes", "No", or "Other" to indicate your relationship to each child (whether you are a biological parent, or other. A biological parent has a genetic and/or gestational tie to the child.) If you check "Other", please specify. You may list your other children who do not have a current application and check "No" in the "Applying?" column.*"

Application Page 1; Part I ("That I am the parent of" section):

Added the following language: "*Please list your children, first those applying for U.S. citizenship/nationality documentation. You may also list others not applying*."

The Department updated Part I of Application Page 1 ("That I am the parent of" section) on the DS-5507 to allow affiants to clarify the relationship between the parent and child. The Department removed the legal parent category as this status is typically established through required documentation submitted with the complementing passport and consular report of birth abroad application forms (DS-11 and DS-2029). The Department added an "Applying" category to reflect that parent(s) filling out the DS-5507 may list other children who are not currently applying for a passport or CRBA (i.e. and check "no" for such children) given that such information helps ensure consistent and accurate adjudication of physical presence or residence requirements. The instructions under "How to Complete this Form" were updated accordingly to clarify what information is needed for the current applicants and that parents may list additional children who are not the subject of a current application.

16. *Specify if the data gathered by this collection will be published.*

The data gathered will not be published.

17. *If applicable, explain the reason(s) for seeking approval to not display the OMB expiration date.*

The expiration date for OMB approval will be displayed.

18. *Explain any exceptions to the OMB certification statement below.*

The Department is not requesting any exceptions to the certification statement.

B. Collection of Information Employing Statistical Methods

This collection does not employ statistical methods.

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[i]Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, "Employer Costs for Employee Compensation – December 2025," https://www.bls.gov/news.release/pdf/ecec.pdf

[ii] Source: U.S. Department of State, https://www.usembassy.gov/

[iii] Source: U.S. Department of State, https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/passports/get-fast/passport-agencies.html

[iv] Source: https://www.gsa.gov/travel/plan-a-trip/transportation-airfare-rates-pov-rates/privately-owned-vehicle-pov-mileage-reimbursement