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OMB Control No: **ICR Reference No:** 201809-1615-011
Status: Received in OIRA **Previous ICR Reference No:**
Agency/Subagency: DHS/USCIS **Agency Tracking No:** I-944
Title: Declaration of Self-Sufficiency
Type of Information Collection: New collection (Request for a new OMB Control Number) **Common Form ICR:** No
Type of Review Request: Regular **Date Submitted to OIRA:** 10/10/2018

	Requested	Previously Approved
Expiration Date	36 Months From Approved	
Responses	382,264	0
Time Burden (Hours)	1,720,188	0
Cost Burden (Dollars)	59,931,350	0

Abstract: USCIS will require an individual applying to adjust status to lawful permanent residence (Form I-485) and who is subject to the public charge ground of inadmissibility to file this form. On a case by case basis, USCIS may request that a nonimmigrant seeking to extend stay or change status (Form I-539 or I-129) file this form. The data collected on this form will be used by USCIS to determine the likelihood of a declarant becoming a public charge based on the factors regarding health; family status; assets, resource, and financial status; and education and skills. The form serves the purpose of standardizing public charge evaluation metrics and ensures that declarants provide all essential information required for USCIS to assess self-sufficiency and adjudicate the declaration. If USCIS determines that a declarant is likely to become a public charge, the declarant may need to provide additional resources or evidence to overcome this determination.

Authorizing Statute(s): US Code: [8 USC 212\(a\)\(4\)](#) Name of Law: GENERAL CLASSES OF ALIENS INELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE VISAS AND INELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION; WAIVERS OF INA
 US Code: [8 USC 291](#) Name of Law: BURDEN OF PROOF

Citations for New Statutory Requirements: None

Associated Rulemaking Information

RIN:	Stage of Rulemaking:	Federal Register Citation:	Date:
1615-AA22	Proposed rulemaking	83 FR 51114	10/10/2018

Federal Register Notices & Comments

Did the Agency receive public comments on this ICR? No

Number of Information Collection (IC) in this ICR: 1

IC Title	Form No.	Form Name
Declaration of Self-Sufficiency	I-944, null	Declaration of Self-Sufficiency

ICR Summary of Burden

	Total Request	Previously Approved	Change Due to New Statute	Change Due to Agency Discretion	Change Due to Adjustment in Estimate	Change Due to Potential Violation of the PRA
Annual Number of Responses	382,264	0	0	382,264	0	0
Annual Time Burden (Hours)	1,720,188	0	0	1,720,188	0	0
Annual Cost Burden (Dollars)	59,931,350	0	0	59,931,350	0	0

Burden increases because of Program Change due to Agency Discretion: Yes

Burden Increase Due to: Changing Regulations

Burden decreases because of Program Change due to Agency Discretion: No

Burden Reduction Due to:

Short Statement: Form created in support of the Public Charge Rule

Annual Cost to Federal Government: \$69,937,532

Does this IC contain surveys, censuses, or employ statistical methods? No

Does this ICR request any personally identifiable information (see [OMB Circular No. A-130](#) for an explanation of this term)? Please consult with your agency's privacy program when making this determination. Yes

Does this ICR include a form that requires a Privacy Act Statement (see [5 U.S.C. §552a\(e\)\(3\)](#))? Please consult with your agency's privacy program when making this determination. Yes

Is this ICR related to the Affordable Care Act [Pub. L. 111-148 & 111-152]? No

Is this ICR related to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, [Pub. L. 111-203]? No

Is this ICR related to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA)? No

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Common Form ICR: No

On behalf of this Federal agency, I certify that the collection of information encompassed by this request complies with 5 CFR 1320.9 and the related provisions of 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3).

The following is a summary of the topics, regarding the proposed collection of information, that the certification covers:

- (a) It is necessary for the proper performance of agency functions;
- (b) It avoids unnecessary duplication;
- (c) It reduces burden on small entities;
- (d) It uses plain, coherent, and unambiguous language that is understandable to respondents;
- (e) Its implementation will be consistent and compatible with current reporting and recordkeeping practices;
- (f) It indicates the retention periods for recordkeeping requirements;
- (g) It informs respondents of the information called for under 5 CFR 1320.8 (b)(3) about:
 - (i) Why the information is being collected;
 - (ii) Use of information;
 - (iii) Burden estimate;
 - (iv) Nature of response (voluntary, required for a benefit, or mandatory);
 - (v) Nature and extent of confidentiality; and
 - (vi) Need to display currently valid OMB control number;
- (h) It was developed by an office that has planned and allocated resources for the efficient and effective management and use of the information to be collected.
- (i) It uses effective and efficient statistical survey methodology (if applicable); and
- (j) It makes appropriate use of information technology.

If you are unable to certify compliance with any of these provisions, identify the item by leaving the box unchecked and explain the reason in the Supporting Statement.

Certification Date: 10/10/2018

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