

## 2 FAM 1260 REQUESTS FOR ECONOMIC INFORMATION/DATA

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## 2 FAM 1261 CLEARANCE PROCEDURES FOR REQUESTS FOR ECONOMIC INFORMATION/DATA

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- a. Economic/commercial data requests and related communications prepared by any Federal agency or a component of the Department of State must be submitted to an appropriate substantive office of the Department for final clearance and coordination before being sent to posts abroad. Drafting officers should obtain any other clearances they consider necessary prior to submitting the request for final clearance. All reporting requests levied on posts abroad must also be cleared with the appropriate country director or, in cases where several countries are involved, with the appropriate regional office of the geographic bureaus concerned.
- b. The appropriate substantive office is determined by the subject matter of the economic/commercial reporting request, in accordance with the following:

### Subject and Appropriate Office

- **Aviation Affairs**  
Office of Aviation Negotiations (EEB/TRA/AN) and Office of Transportation Policy (EEB/TRA/OTP)
- **Biodiversity and Ecosystem Management**  
Office of Ecology and Natural Resource Conservation (OES/E/ENRC)
- **Biosafety**  
Office of Ecology and Natural Resource Conservation (OES/E/ENRC)
- **Commercial Affairs**  
Office of Commercial and Business Affairs (EEB/CBA)

- **Communications Affairs**  
Office of International Communications and Information Policy (EEB/CIP)
- **Development and Trade Finance Issues and Policies, Multilateral Development Bank Policies and Programs, International Donors' Conferences, Export-Import Bank, Millennium Challenge Account and TDA Policies and Programs**  
Office of Development Finance (EEB/IFD/ODF)
- **Economic Public Diplomacy**  
Office of Economic Policy and Public Diplomacy (EEB/EPPD/PD)
- **Environmental Affairs**  
Office of Environmental Affairs (OES/E/ENV)      Policy?
- **Export Finance**  
Office of Development Finance (EEB/IFD/ODF)
- **Fisheries Affairs**  
Office of Marine Conservation (OES/O/OMC)
- **Food Policy and Programs**  
Office of Multilateral Trade and Agriculture Affairs (EEB/TPP/MTAA)
- **Foreign Investment**  
Office of Investment Affairs (EEB/IFD/OIA)
- **Fuels and Energy**  
Office of International Energy and Commodity Policy (EEB/ESC/IEC)
- **General OECD Issues**  
Office of Economic Policy and Public Diplomacy (EEB/EPPD/PA)
- **Genetic Resources**  
Office of Ecology and Natural Resource Conservation (OES/E/ENRC)
- **Health Affairs**  
Office of International Health and Biodefense (OES/S/IHB)
- **International Commodities**  
Office of International Energy and Commodity Policy (EEB/ESC/IEC)
- **International Trade Policy and Negotiations**  
Bilateral: Office of Bilateral Trade Affairs (EEB/TPP/BTA)  
Multilateral: Office of Multilateral Trade and Agriculture Affairs (EEB/TPP/MTAA)
- **Labor (Economic Data and Reports Request)**  
Office of Commercial and Business Affairs (EEB/CBA)
- **Maritime Affairs, including Container and Supply Chain**

**Security**

Office of Transportation Policy (EEB/TRA/OTP)

- **Monetary Affairs**

Office of Monetary Affairs (EEB/IFD/OMA)

- **Ocean Affairs**

Office of Ocean Affairs (OES/O/OA)

- **Sanctions**

Office of Terrorism Finance and Economic Sanctions Policy (EEB/ESC/TFS)

- **Science and Technology**

Office of Space and Advanced Technology (OES/S/SAT)

- **Terrorist Financing**

Office of Terrorism Finance and Economic Sanctions Policy (EEB/ESC/TFS)

- **Timber and Wildlife Management, Trade and Illicit Trafficking**

Office of Ecology and Natural Resource Conservation (OES/E/ENRC)

- c. The term “economic/commercial data reporting request” is defined as any communication requesting one or more Foreign Service posts to obtain and submit information on economic, political-economic, socio-economic, technological, or commercial topics. If any office or agency is in doubt as to whether a proposed communication to a post constitutes a request for economic/commercial reporting by the Foreign Service, or is uncertain as to which office should clear the request, it should consult with the Office of Commercial and Business Affairs, Bureau of Economic, Energy and Business Affairs (EEB/CBA).
- d. Reporting or data requests should meet one of the following criteria:
  - (1) Importance to U.S. Government interests or objectives;
  - (2) Need as background for legislation, or to provide information to the Congress; and
  - (3) Necessity to support U.S. business activities deemed consistent with official objectives.

## **2 FAM 1262 CLEARANCES ON PUBLIC LAW 480 MESSAGES**

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- a. Messages relating to Public Law 480, the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended, and Titles I and II must be

cleared with the Office of Food for Peace (FFP) in the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). The Office of Food for Peace maintains liaison with the Department of Agriculture, in accordance with interagency agreements and delegated authority, and is responsible for obtaining clearance from the Department of Agriculture. The Department of Agriculture will clear messages originating in its agency (except routine operational matters) with State/USAID through the Office of Food for Peace (FFP).

- b. In the Department, offices concerned include appropriate desk officers, regional bureaus, the Office of Multilateral Trade and Agriculture Affairs in the Bureau of Economic, Energy and Business Affairs (EEB/TPP/MTAA), the Office of Economic and Development Affairs in the Bureau of International Organization Affairs (IO/EDA), the Office of the Director of U.S. Foreign Assistance (F), and other entities of State/USAID concerned with Public Law 480 programs.

## **2 FAM 1263 THROUGH 1269 UNASSIGNED**