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Ms. Sharon Block Acting Administrator Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs Office of Management and Budget 725 17th Street, NW Washington, DC 20503

Dear Ms. Block:

Pursuant to Office of Management and Budget (OMB) procedures established at 5 C.F.R. Part 1320, Controlling Paperwork Burdens on the Public, and in accordance with Emergency Processing, I request an OMB emergency review of the Problematic Sexual Behavior in Children and Youth (PSB-CY) Information System and determination to collect information under an emergency clearance by close of business on Monday October 11, 2021.

As part of the Department of Defense (DoD) ongoing efforts to close gaps in comprehensively addressing PSB-CY, this collection implements provisions of Section 1089 of Public Law 115-232, Policy on Response to Juvenile-on-Juvenile Problematic Sexual Behavior Committed on Military Installations. The provisions in Section 1089 require the establishment of a centralized database to track timely and well-coordinated service delivery to children, youth, and families and is part of a multi-pronged response to PSB-CY occurring on DoD installations. This information collection guards against disrupted and fragmented service delivery to children and families impacted by PSB-CY, especially as children and youth return to schools, child development centers, and after school programs.

The database has high Congressional interest: the Department of Defense has a requirement to report a status update to Congress on system development and operational status every six months until the system is fully operational. DoD's 60-day notice to the public for 0704-PSBC, "Problematic Sexual Behavior in Children and Youth Information System," Docket ID - DoD-2021-OS-0079, published in the Federal Register August 5, 2021, has resulted in no public comments to date.

The Department welcomes the opportunity to provide additional information, if needed. My point of contact for this request is Mary E. Campise at mary.e.campise.civ@mail.mil.

Sincerely,

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