

necessary for the agency to properly perform its functions; (b) whether the burden estimates are accurate; (c) whether there are ways to minimize the burden, including through the use of automated techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) whether there are ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information.

#### Summary of Information Collections

*Title:* Generic Clearance for SBA Customer Experience Data Collections.

*Frequency:* On Occasion.

*SBA Form Numbers:* N/A.

*Description of Respondents:* SBA Customers.

*Responses:* 501,550.

*Annual Burden:* 251,125.

**Curtis Rich,**

*Management Analyst.*

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## SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

[Docket No. SSA-2019-0050]

### Notice on Penalty Inflation Adjustments for Civil Monetary Penalties

**AGENCY:** Social Security Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice announcing updated penalty inflation adjustments for civil monetary penalties for 2020.

**SUMMARY:** The Social Security Administration is giving notice of its updated maximum civil monetary penalties. These amounts are effective from January 15, 2020 through January 14, 2021. These figures represent an annual adjustment for inflation. The updated figures and notification are required by the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015 (the 2015 Act).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sotiris Planzos, Acting Counsel for Investigations and Enforcement, Room 2-ME-5, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235-6401, 410-965-3498. For information on eligibility or filing for benefits, call the Social Security Administration's national toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213 or TTY 1-800-325-0778, or visit the Social Security Administration's internet site, Social Security Online, at <http://www.socialsecurity.gov>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On June 27, 2016, pursuant to the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015 (the 2015

Act),<sup>1</sup> we published an interim final rule to adjust the level of civil monetary penalties (CMP) under sections 1129 and 1140 of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1320a-8 and 1320b-10, with an initial "catch-up" adjustment effective August 1, 2016.<sup>2</sup> We announced in the interim final rule that for any future adjustments, we would publish a notice in the **Federal Register** to announce the new amounts. The annual inflation adjustment in subsequent years must be a cost-of-living adjustment based on any increases in the October Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) (not seasonally adjusted) each year.<sup>3</sup> Inflation adjustment increases must be rounded to the nearest multiple of \$1.<sup>4</sup> We last updated the maximum penalty amounts effective January 15, 2019.<sup>5</sup> Based on Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance,<sup>6</sup> the information below serves as public notice of the new maximum penalty amounts for 2020. The adjustment results in the following new maximum penalties, which will be effective as of January 15, 2020.

Section 1129 CMPs (42 U.S.C. 1320a-8):

\$7,975.00 (current maximum per violation for fraud facilitators in a position of trust) × 1.01764 (OMB-issued inflationary adjustment multiplier) = \$8,115.68. When rounded to the nearest dollar, the new maximum penalty is \$8,116.00.

\$8,457.00 (current maximum per violation for all other violators) × 1.01764 (OMB-issued inflationary adjustment multiplier) = \$8,606.18. When rounded to the nearest dollar, the new maximum penalty is \$8,606.00.

<sup>1</sup> See <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/1314/text>. See also 81 FR 41438, <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/06/27/2016-13241/penalty-inflation-adjustments-for-civil-money-penalties>.

<sup>2</sup> See 81 FR 41438, <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/06/27/2016-13241/penalty-inflation-adjustments-for-civil-money-penalties>.

<sup>3</sup> See OMB Memorandum, Implementation of the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015, M-16-06, p. 1 (February 24, 2016), <https://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/whitehouse.gov/files/omb/memoranda/2016/m-16-06.pdf>. See also 81 FR 41438, <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/06/27/2016-13241/penalty-inflation-adjustments-for-civil-money-penalties>.

<sup>4</sup> OMB Memorandum, Implementation of the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015, M-16-06, p. 3 (February 24, 2016), <https://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/whitehouse.gov/files/omb/memoranda/2016/m-16-06.pdf>. See also 81 FR 41438, <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/06/27/2016-13241/penalty-inflation-adjustments-for-civil-money-penalties>.

<sup>5</sup> See 84 FR 360, <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/01/24/2019-00091/notice-on-penalty-inflation-adjustments-for-civil-monetary-penalties>.

<sup>6</sup> See <https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/M-20-05.pdf>.

Section 1140 CMPs (42 U.S.C. 1320b-10):

\$10,519.00 (current maximum per violation for all violations other than broadcast or telecasts) × 1.01764 (OMB-issued inflationary adjustment multiplier) = \$10,704.56. When rounded to the nearest dollar, the new maximum penalty is \$10,705.00.

\$52,596.00 (current maximum per broadcast or telecast) × 1.01764 (OMB-issued inflationary adjustment multiplier;) = \$53,523.79. When rounded to the nearest dollar, the new maximum penalty is \$53,524.00.

Dated: January 2, 2020.

**Gail S. Ennis,**

*Inspector General, Social Security Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice:10996]

### In the Matter of the Designation of the Asa'ib Ahl al-Haq (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 Asa'ib Ahl al-Haq, also known as AAH; Asa'ib Ahl al-Haq min Al-Iraq; Asaib al Haq; Asa'ib Ahl Al-Haqq; League of the Righteous; Khazali Network; Khazali Special Group; Qazali Network; The People of the Cave; Khazali Special Groups Network; Al-Tayar al-Risali; and The Missionary Current.

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 2, 2020.

**Michael R. Pompeo,**

*Secretary of State.*

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