

<b>REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY</b>		JOB NUMBER <i>NI-566-08-19</i>	
To NATIONAL ARCHIVES and RECORDS ADMINISTRATION 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001		DATE RECEIVED <i>8/19/08</i>	
1 FROM (Agency or establishment) Department of Homeland Security		NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY  In accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C. 3303a, the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked <input type="checkbox"/> disposition not approved <input type="checkbox"/> or <input type="checkbox"/> withdrawn <input type="checkbox"/> in column 10	
2 MAJOR SUBDIVISION U.S. Citizen and Immigration Services (USCIS)			
3 MINOR SUBDIVISION Office of Field Operations ASC Program			
4 NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER William (Bill) C Hall	5 TELEPHONE 202-272-8535	DATE <i>1-13-09</i>	ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES <i>Adrian Thomas</i>
6 AGENCY CERTIFICATION I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached ___ page(s) are not needed now for the business of this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified, and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not required, <input type="checkbox"/> is attached, or <input type="checkbox"/> has been requested			
DATE <i>8/19/08</i>	SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE Tricia Canard <i>Tricia Canard</i>		TITLE USCIS Records Officer
7 Item No <b>1</b>	8 DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION  <b>SCHEDULING AND NOTIFICATION OF APPLICANTS FOR PROCESSING (SNAP)</b>  Description SNAP automatically schedules appointments for immigration benefits applicants/petitioners to submit biometric information to USCIS Application Support Centers (ASCs), which is required as part of the application or petition process. To schedule these appointments, USCIS personnel at ASCs log into CLAIMS 3 and manually select applications that require background checks and export the selected applicants' names, A-numbers or SSNs, receipt numbers, dates of birth, mailing addresses, and attorney's names and addresses (if applicable) from CLAIMS 3. This information is then emailed from the ASC to the USCIS SNAP support team, who upload it into SNAP. SNAP uses that information to automatically schedule applicant appointments with the appropriate ASC based on each applicant's zip code and the ASC's appointment capacity.  Once the appointment is scheduled, SNAP generates a notice that includes the ASC location, the date and time that the applicant should arrive, and any additional instructions pertinent to that application, which USCIS mails to the applicant as notice of the appointment. SNAP also automatically generates a notice to send to the applicant's	9 GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10 ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)

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- Class 1 – Query – Users requiring read-only access to all data stored in the system with the ability to reprint an applicant's scheduling notice,
- Class 2 – Data-Entry – Users requiring access to view, enter, and modify scheduling and/or biographic data, with the ability to schedule and reschedule applicants, and
- Class 3 – Administrator – Users requiring all standard functions, plus the ability to override default settings, create new user accounts, reset passwords, and change users' roles

**Specific Restrictions** Access and security controls are established to mitigate privacy risks associated with authorized and unauthorized users, namely misuse and inappropriate dissemination of data. Authorized users are broken into specific classes with specific access rights. Audit trails are kept in order to track and identify any unauthorized use of system information. Data encryption is employed at every appropriate step to ensure that only those authorized to view the data may do so and that the data has not been compromised while in transit. Further, SNAP complies with DHS security guidelines, which provide hardening criteria for securing networks, computers, and computer services against attack and unauthorized information dissemination.

**Applicability:** Agency-wide

**Vital Record:** No

**Specific Legal Requirement:** 8 USC

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**Disposition:** Temporary. Destroy/ delete after the data has been transferred to the master file and verified.

GRS 20, item 2

**b** MASTER FILE

The data elements unique to SNAP are Application ID, appointment date, and user ID. Data elements extracted from CLAIMS 3 or BBSS include, but may not be limited to: first and last name of applicant, alien registration number (A-Number), receipt number, social security number (SSN) (if no A-Number exists), date of birth, mailing address, appointment date, application received date, ASC code, status, User ID, SC code, and transmission control request (TCR).

**Disposition** Temporary Delete/destroy 15 months from the last recorded action

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GRS 20, item 16

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