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MEMORANDUM FOR DEPARTMENT AND AGENCY CLEARANCE OFFICERS

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Minimizing Household Surveys During the 2010 Census of Population
and Housing

Consistent with past practice, to encourage respondent cooperation with the 2010 Census of Population and Housing, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is adopting the policy of minimizing Federal agency-sponsored household surveys of all kinds from March 1, 2010, through August 30, 2010.

To implement this policy, OMB in its review activities under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, will not approve requests for new household surveys that initiate data collection during this period. Exceptions will be made only when agencies demonstrate an urgent need to obtain information or that the information sought cannot be collected prior to or following this time. Any request for an exception must be accompanied by a detailed justification. This policy will not interrupt continuing surveys.

Thank you for your cooperation.