Privacy Act Statement

Authority: 6 U.S.C. § 1140, 46 U.S.C. § 70105; 49 U.S.C. §§ 106, 114,5103a, 40103(b)(3), 40113, 44903, 44935-44936,44939, and 46105; the Implementing Recommendation of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007, § 1520 (121 Stat. 444, Public Law 110-52, August 3, 2007); and Executive Order 9397, as amended.

Purpose: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will use the biographic information to conduct a security threat assessment. Your fingerprints and associated information will be provided to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for the purpose of comparing your fingerprints to other fingerprints in the FBI's Next Generation Identification (NGI) system or its successor systems including civil, criminal, and latent fingerprint repositories. The FBI may retain your fingerprints and associated information in NGI after the completion of this application and, while retained, your fingerprints may continue to be compared against other fingerprints submitted to or retained by NGI. DHS will also transmit your fingerprints for enrollment into US-VISIT Automated Biometrics Identification System (IDENT). If you provide your Social Security Number (SSN), DHS may provide your name and SSN to the Social Security Administration (SSA) to compare that information against SSA records to ensure the validity of the information.

Routine Uses: In addition to those disclosures generally permitted under 5 U.S.C. 522a(b) of the Privacy Act, all or a portion of the records or information contained in this system may be disclosed outside DHS as a routine use pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 522a(b)(3) including with third parties during the course of a security threat assessment, employment investigation, or adjudication of a waiver or appeal request to the extent necessary to obtain information pertinent to the assessment, investigation, or adjudication of your application or in accordance with the routine uses identified in the TSA system of records notice (SORN) DHS/TSA 002, Transportation Security Threat Assessment System. For as long as your fingerprints and associated information are retained in NGI, your information may be disclosed pursuant to your consent or without your consent as permitted by the Privacy Act of 1974 and all applicable Routine Uses as may be published at any time in the Federal Register, including the Routine Uses for NGI system and the FBI's Blanket Routine Uses.

Disclosure: Furnishing the information (including your SSN) is voluntary; however, if you do not provide your SSN or any other information requested, DHS may be unable to complete your application for a security threat assessment.