

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster #3152]

State of New York

Queens County and the contiguous Counties of Bronx, Kings, Nassau, and New York in the State of New York constitute a disaster area as a result of damages caused by heavy rain and flooding that occurred on January 3, 1999. Applications for loans for physical damage as a result of this disaster may be filed until the close of business on March 19, 1999 and for economic injury until the close of business on October 15, 1999 at the address listed below or other locally announced locations: U.S. Small Business Administration, Disaster Area 1 Office, 360 Rainbow Boulevard South, 3rd Floor, Niagara Falls, NY 14303.

The interest rates are:

	Percent
For Physical Damage:	
Homeowners with credit available elsewhere	6.750
Homeowners without credit available elsewhere	3.375
Businesses with credit available elsewhere	8.000
Businesses and non-profit organizations without credit available elsewhere	4.000
Others (including non-profit organizations) with credit available elsewhere	7.000
For Economic Injury:	
Businesses and small agricultural cooperatives without credit available elsewhere ...	4.000

The numbers assigned to this disaster are 315206 for physical damage and 9A8200 for economic injury.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 59002 and 59008)

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Mary Kristine Swedin,

Acting Administrator.

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Region X Advisory Council Meeting; Public Meeting

The U.S. Small Business Administration Region X Advisory Council, located in the geographical area of Portland, OR, will hold a public meeting at 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 04, 1999, at the Atwater's Restaurant, Adams Room, 30th Floor, 111 SW Fifth Avenue, Portland, Oregon, to discuss such matters as may be presented by

members, staff of the U.S. Small Business Administration, or others present.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Write or call Mr. Phillip E. Gentry, District Director, U.S. Small Business Administration, 1515 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 1050, Portland, Oregon 97201-5494, (503) 326-5210.

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Shirl Thoms,

Director, External Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Bureau of Consular Affairs

[Public Notice 2969]

Certain Foreign Passports Validity

In accordance with section 212(a)(7)(B) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(7)(B)), a nonimmigrant alien who makes an application for a visa or for admission into the United States is required to possess a passport that: (1) is valid for a minimum of six months beyond the date of the expiration of the initial period of the alien's admission into the United States or contemplated initial period of stay and, (2) authorizes the alien to return to the country from which he or she came, or to proceed to and enter some other country during such period. Because of the foregoing requirement, certain competent authorities have agreed that their passports will be recognized as valid for the return of the bearer for a period of six months beyond the expiration date specified in the passport, thereby effectively extending the validity period of the foreign passport an additional six months beyond its expiration date, see 22 CFR 41.104(b).

This public notice adds Russia to the list of competent authorities that have provided the necessary assurances to the Government of the United States. The updated list of competent authorities who have made the necessary assurances is shown below:

Table of Foreign Passports Recognized for Extended Validity

- ALGERIA
- ANTIGUA & BARBUDA
- ARGENTINA
- AUSTRALIA
- AUSTRIA
- BAHAMAS, THE
- BANGLADESH
- BARBADOS
- BELGIUM
- BRAZIL

- CANADA
- CHILE
- COLOMBIA
- COSTA RICA
- COTE D'IVOIRE
- CUBA
- CYPRUS
- CZECH REPUBLIC
- DENMARK
- DOMINICA
- DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
- ECUADOR
- EGYPT
- EL SALVADOR
- ETHIOPIA
- FINLAND
- FRANCE
- GERMANY
- GREECE
- GRENADA
- GUINEA
- HONG KONG (Certificates of identity & passports)
- HUNGARY
- ICELAND
- INDIA
- IRELAND
- ISRAEL
- ITALY
- JAMAICA
- JAPAN
- JORDAN
- KOREA
- KUWAIT
- LAOS
- LEBANON
- LIECHTENSTEIN
- LUXEMBOURG
- MADAGASCAR
- MALAYSIA
- MALTA
- MAURITIUS
- MEXICO
- MONACO
- NETHERLANDS
- NEW ZEALAND
- NICARAGUA (Diplomatic & official only)
- NIGERIA
- NORWAY
- OMAN
- PAKISTAN
- PANAMA
- PARAGUAY
- PERU
- PHILIPPINES
- POLAND
- PORTUGAL
- QATAR
- RUSSIA
- SENEGAL
- SINGAPORE
- SLOVAK REPUBLIC
- SLOVENIA
- SOUTH AFRICA
- SPAIN
- SRI LANKA
- ST. KITTS & NEVIS
- ST. LUCIA
- ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES
- SUDAN
- SURINAME
- SWEDEN
- SWITZERLAND
- SYRIA
- TAIWAN
- THAILAND