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USCIS Update

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USCIS ANNOUNCES A NEW FILING ADDRESS FOR HUMANITARIAN PAROLE APPLICATIONS

WASHINGTON – U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) announced today a change of filing address for humanitarian parole applications. The new filing address is:

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
ATTN: Chief, International Operations Division
(Humanitarian Parole)
20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Suite 3300
Washington, DC 20529

Applications for humanitarian parole are filed on Form I-131 (*Application for Travel Document*), along with all accompanying documentation and a fee of \$305. In order to expedite the delivery and receipting of the application, USCIS strongly recommends the use of express mailing options with a return receipt service.

Humanitarian Parole is an extraordinary measure that is used sparingly by USCIS to bring an otherwise inadmissible alien into the United States for a temporary period due to a compelling or emergent situation. The exercise of the authority to grant Humanitarian Parole is discretionary and involves a case-by-case consideration of the situation exist. Parole cannot be used to circumvent normal visa-issuing procedures, and is not an instrument to by-pass preference immigrant visa availability or processing for refugee status.

For additional information, please visit the USCIS website www.uscis.gov or contact the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 800-375-5283.

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