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USCIS Update

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USCIS Issues TPS Registration Reminder to Eligible Hondurans, Nicaraguans and Salvadorans

WASHINGTON — U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) today reminded Hondurans, Nicaraguans and Salvadorans, who are eligible for Temporary Protected Status (TPS), to file a re-registration application for TPS before the end of the re-registration period, (Dec. 1, 2008 for Hondurans and Nicaraguans, and Dec. 30, 2008 for Salvadorans).

The 18-month extension of TPS for nationals of Honduras and Nicaragua will remain in effect until July 5, 2010, and until Sept. 9, 2010 for nationals of El Salvador. Hondurans, Nicaraguans, and Salvadorans who have received TPS previously must re-register for the 18-month extension during the re-registration period. Failure to file a TPS re-registration application during the re-registration period without good cause will result in withdrawal of TPS benefits, including employment authorization and protection from removal from the U.S.

Additional Filing Tips:

- To apply for TPS re-registration you must submit both Form I-821, Application for Temporary Protected Status, and Form I-765, Application for Employment Authorization. Both forms are available online at: www.uscis.gov/forms, or by calling the USCIS forms line at 1-800-870-3676.
- You must file Form I-765 regardless of whether you wish to request an Employment Authorization Document (EAD). If you are not requesting an EAD, you do not need to submit a fee for Form I-765. Also, leave the boxes under the question, "I am applying for..." blank. The filing address is listed in the Federal Register notice for each country, and in the USCIS Questions and Answers for each country's extension.
- Submit the appropriate versions of the forms (use Form I-821 dated Oct. 17, 2007 or later and Form I-765 dated May 27, 2008 or later). USCIS will reject applications submitted using earlier editions of the forms.
- Completely fill out the forms and mark all appropriate boxes. In Part 1, of Form I-821, re-registrants should mark the box for re-registration or renewal of temporary benefits.
- Submit the appropriate fee(s) with the applications. Make the check or money order payable to the Department of Homeland Security. To request a fee waiver, you must submit a properly documented request demonstrating your inability to pay. Guidance about fee waivers is online at www.uscis.gov/feewaiver.
- If your address changes after you file your application for re-registration, you must complete and submit a change of address form (AR-11) by mail or electronically. File the Form AR-11 electronically by following the directions at www.uscis.gov/ar-11. You may also mail your Form AR-11 to this address:

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
Change of Address
P.O. Box 7134
London, KY 40742-7134

To facilitate processing your address change on your TPS application, you may call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283 (TTY 1-800-767-1833) to request USCIS update your address on your application. However, you must still file a completed Form AR-11 with USCIS.

More information is available from the National Customer Service Center by calling 800-375-5283.