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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRICT DIRECTORS,
OFFICERS IN CHARGE
EASTERN

FROM: J. Scott Blackman /S/
Regional Director

SUBJECT: Automatic Administrative Relief for Aliens Eligible for Nonimmigrant Status under Sections 101 (a)(15)(T) and (U) of the Immigration and Nationality Act

Eastern Region Policy Transmittal #32

The attached memoranda advises field offices on new procedures for handling cases involving aliens that are eligible for status as a nonimmigrant under Sections 101 (a)(15)(T) and (U) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), as amended by the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 (VTVPA), Pub. L. 106-386, 114 Stat. 1464.

Please note that an alien identified as a possible victim eligible for nonimmigrant status under INA §§ 101(a)(15)(T) and (U) must not be removed from the United States until the alien has had an opportunity to apply for VTVPA benefits.

Please ensure that all offices under your jurisdiction implement this rule immediately. Please provide a consolidated confirmation of receipt for you district by initialing and dating the memo below and faxing it back to RODIR at 802-660-5114. Any questions related to removals may be directed to ERO-DRO, Attn: Michael L. Webster (802) 660-5010, or any questions related to adjudications may be directed to ERO-AND, Attn: John Bielicki (802) 660-5036.

Attachment(s)

Initials

District Code

Date