

shall also inform the alien of the right to have the registration reinstated if the alien, before the end of the second year after the missed appointment date if paragraph (a) applies, and before the end of the second year after the INA 221(g) refusal if paragraph (b) applies, establishes to the satisfaction of the consular officer that the failure to apply for an immigrant visa or to present evidence purporting to overcome the ineligibility under INA 221(g) was due to circumstances beyond the alien's control.

(d) *Reinstatement of registration.* If the consular officer is satisfied that an alien, as provided for in paragraph (c) of this section, has established that failure to apply as scheduled for an immigrant visa or to present evidence purporting to overcome ineligibility under INA 221(g) was due to circumstances beyond the alien's control, the consular officer shall reinstate the alien's registration for an immigrant visa. Any petition approved under INA 204(b) which had been automatically revoked as a result of the termination of registration shall be considered to be automatically reinstated if the registration is reinstated.

(e) *Interpretation of "circumstances beyond alien's control".* For the purpose of this section, the term "circumstances beyond the alien's control" includes, but is not limited to, an illness or other physical disability preventing the alien from traveling, a refusal by the authorities of the country of an alien's residence to grant the alien permission to depart as an immigrant, and foreign military service.

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PARTS 43–44 [RESERVED]

PART 45—VISAS: DOCUMENTATION OF IMMIGRANTS UNDER SECTION 124 OF PUBLIC LAW 101–649

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§ 45.1 General.

Except as specifically provided in this part, the provisions of the INA, as amended, and of parts 40 and 42 of this chapter shall apply to application for, consideration of, and issuance or refusal of, immigrant visas under section 124 of Public Law 101–649.

§ 45.2 Priority date of applicants.

The priority date of an alien who is the beneficiary of a petition approved by the Service to accord status under section 124 of Public Law 101–649 shall be the filing date of the approved petition, as determined by the Immigration and Naturalization Service. The priority date of the spouse or child, accompanying or following to join such an alien shall be the priority date of the alien spouse or parent.

§ 45.3 Control of numerical limitation.

(a) *Centralized control.* Centralized control of the numerical limitation specified in section 124 of Public Law 101–649 is established in the Department. In order to effect this control, the Department shall limit the number of immigrant visas and the number of adjustments of status that may be granted to aliens applying under section 124 of Public Law 101–649 to a number not to exceed 12,000 in any fiscal year and not to exceed in any month of a fiscal year 1,200 plus any balance remaining from authorizations for preceding months in the same fiscal year.

(b) *Allocation of immigrant visa numbers.* Within the numerical limitations specified in paragraph (a) of this section and based on the chronological order of priority dates of applicants as established pursuant to § 45.2 of this part, the Department shall allocate immigrant visa numbers for use in connection with the issuance of immigrant visas and the granting of adjustment of status to such aliens.