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(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance: Program Nos. 96.001 Social Security—Disability Insurance; 96.002 Social Security—Retirement Insurance; 96.004 Social Security—Survivors Insurance)

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## SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

### Statement of Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority

This statement amends part T of the Statement of the Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority, which covers the Social Security Administration (SSA). Chapter TE covers the Deputy Commissioner for Communications. Notice is given that Chapter TE, the Office of Communications is being amended to reflect the establishment of subordinate components within the Office of External Affairs (TEG) and the abolishment of the Office of National Affairs (TEE).

The changes are as follows:

Section TE.10 *Office of Communications*—(Organization):

Delete:

F. The Office of National Affairs (TEE).

Reletter:

"G" to "F".

F. The Office of External Affairs (TEG).

Establish:

1. The Office of National Communications (TEGA).

2. The Office of Regional Communications and Community Affairs (TEGB).

Section TE.20 *The Office of Communications*—(Functions):

Delete:

F. The Office of National Affairs (TEE) in its entirety.

Reletter:

"G" to "F".

F. The Office of External Affairs (TEG).

Establish:

1. The Office of National Communications (TEGA).

a. Oversees the monitoring of plans, administrative and policy proposals,

and work products of other SSA components in headquarters and the regions to assess their impact on institutions, public and private organizations and special interest groups.

b. Initiates short- and long-range projects or assignments of substantial importance to the Office of Communications. The projects are initiated to solve problems resulting from adverse impacts of SSA programs and program service delivery on special groups or the general public.

c. Provides leadership in advising agency component management on the interests of groups and organizations and their potential reaction to administrative and policy proposals and work products.

d. Identifies techniques and strategies that assist in implementing SSA's Communication Plan initiatives; analyzes and identifies target markets; plans, promotes, and distributes ideas, products and services to create exchanges that satisfy customer and organizational goals.

e. Plans, directs and implements a program designed to develop and preserve working relationships with a wide variety of national organizations, special interests and advocacy groups in order to secure understanding, cooperation and acceptance of SSA programs, policies and procedures.

f. Provides overall direction in the development of a liaison program with national special interest and advocacy groups through their leaders to elicit their concerns and reactions to SSA initiatives.

2. The Office of Regional Communications and Community Affairs (TEGB).

a. Directs the design and development of SSA's regional external affairs program, including liaison with outside groups and organizations; Federal/State interface; and preparation and dissemination of information through the media.

b. Develops national communication strategies for use in disseminating information through the ten Regional Public Affairs Officers (RPAO) who report to the Office Director. Assures that field office and other personnel in the regions speak with one voice on matters related to public affairs.

c. Serves as SSA liaison to the greater Baltimore community through contacts with community leaders, private businesses and local government agencies and ensuring that their opinions and expectations are relayed to the Agency. Represents SSA on boards of Federal and local agencies, and communicates with the appropriate

offices of major businesses, the Mayor, County Executives and the Governor.

d. Develops and implements plans for expansion of a model community relations program which involves White House and Domestic Policy Council issues.

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**Paul D. Barnes,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 2864]

### Bureau of Consular Affairs; Registration for the Diversity Immigrant (DV-2000) Visa Program

**ACTION:** Notice of registration for the sixth year of the Diversity Immigrant Visa Program.

This public notice provides information on the procedures for obtaining an opportunity to apply for one of the 50,000 immigrant visas to be made available in the Diversity Immigrant Visa (DV) category during Fiscal Year 2000. (Note: The Nicaraguan and Central American Relief Act (NCARA) passed by Congress in November 1997 stipulates that beginning with DV-99, and for as long as necessary, 5,000 annually-allocated diversity visas will be made available for use under the NCARA Program). This notice is issued pursuant to 22 CFR 42.33(b)(2) which implements Sections 201(a)(3), 201(e), 203(c) and 204(a)(1)(G) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended, (8 U.S.C. 1151, 1153, and 1154(a)(1)(G)). The Department published regulations related to this Notice in the **Federal Register** on March 31, 1994 (59 FR 15303) and on January 22, 1996 (61 FR 1523).

Entry Procedures for the 50,000 Immigrant Visas To Be Made Available in the DV Category During Fiscal Year 2000.

Entries for the DV-2000 mail-in period must be received between noon (Eastern time) on Thursday, October 1, 1998 and noon (Eastern time) on Saturday, October 31, 1998. Entries received before or after these dates will be disqualified regardless of when they are postmarked. Entries sent to an incorrect address will also be disqualified.

### How Visas Are Apportioned

Visas are apportioned among six geographic regions with a greater number of visas going to regions with

lower rates of immigration, and no visas going to countries sending more than 50,000 immigrants to the U.S. in the past five years. No one country can receive more than 3,500 diversity visas in any one year. For DV-2000, natives of the following are NOT ELIGIBLE to apply:

CANADA  
CHINA (mainland and Taiwan, except Hong Kong S.A.R.)  
COLOMBIA  
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC  
EL SALVADOR  
HAITI  
INDIA  
JAMAICA  
MEXICO  
PHILIPPINES  
POLAND  
SOUTH KOREA  
UNITED KINGDOM (except Northern Ireland) and its dependent territories  
VIETNAM

#### Requirements

To enter, an applicant must be able to claim nativity in an eligible country, AND must meet either the education or training requirement of the DV program. Nativity in most cases is determined by the applicant's place of birth. However, if a person was born in an ineligible country but his/her spouse was born in an eligible country, such person can claim the spouse's country of birth rather than his/her own. Also, if a person was born in an ineligible country, but neither of his/her parents was born there or resided there at the time of the birth, such person may be able to claim nativity in one of the parents' country of birth. Education or Training: To enter, an applicant MUST have EITHER a high school education or its equivalent, defined in the U.S. as successful completion of a 12-year course of elementary and secondary education; OR two years of work experience within the past five years in an occupation requiring at least two years of training or experience to perform. U.S. Department of Labor definitions will apply. If a person does not meet these requirements, he/she SHOULD NOT submit an entry to the DV program.

#### Procedures for Submitting an Entry Form

Only ONE entry form may be submitted by or for each applicant during the registration period. Submission of more than one entry will disqualify the person. The applicant must personally sign the entry, preferably in his/her native alphabet. Failure of the applicant to personally sign his/her own entry will result in disqualification.

#### Completing the Entry Form

There is no specific format for the entry. Simply use a plain sheet of paper and type or clearly print in the English alphabet (preferably in the following order): Failure to provide ALL of this information will disqualify the applicant.

FULL NAME, with the last (surname/family) name italicized.

EXAMPLES: *Public*, Sara Jane (or) Lopez, Juan Antonio.

#### 2. DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH:

Date: Day, Month, Year EXAMPLE: November 15, 1961.

Place: City/Town, District/County/Province, Country EXAMPLE: Munich, Bavaria, Germany.

The name of the country should be that which is currently in use for the place where the applicant was born (Slovenia, rather than Yugoslavia; Kazakstan rather than Soviet Union, for example).

#### 3. THE APPLICANT'S NATIVE COUNTRY IF DIFFERENT FROM COUNTRY OF BIRTH.

If the applicant is claiming nativity in a country other than his/her place of birth, this must be clearly indicated on the entry. This information must match with what is put on the upper left corner of the entry envelope. (See "MAILING THE ENTRY" below.) If an applicant is claiming nativity through spouse or parent, please indicate this on the entry. (See "Requirements" section for more information on this item.)

#### 4. NAME, DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH OF THE APPLICANT'S SPOUSE AND CHILDREN (IF ANY).

#### 5. FULL MAILING ADDRESS.

This must be clear and complete, as any communications will be sent there. A telephone number is optional, but useful.

6. PHOTOGRAPH. Attach a recent, preferably less than 6 months old, photograph of the applicant, 1.5 inches (37 mm) square in size, with the applicant's name *printed* on the back. The photograph (not a photocopy) should be attached to the entry with clear tape—DO NOT use staples or paperclips, which can jam the mail processing equipment.

7. SIGNATURE: Failure to personally sign the entry will disqualify the applicant.

#### Mailing the Entry

Submit the entry by regular or air mail to the address matching the region of the applicant's country of nativity. Entries sent by express or priority mail, fax, hand, messenger, or any means requiring receipts or special handling will not be processed.

The envelope must be between 6 and 10 inches (15 to 25 cm) long and 3½ and 4½ inches (9 to 11 cm) wide. Postcards are NOT acceptable, nor are envelopes inside express or oversized mail packets. In the upper left hand corner of the envelope the applicant must show his/her country of nativity, followed by the applicant's name and full return address. The applicant must provide both the country of nativity and the country of the address, even if both are the same. Failure to provide this information will disqualify the entry. The mailing address for all entries is the same EXCEPT for the ZIP (POSTAL) CODE. The address is: DV-2000 Program, National Visa Center, Portsmouth NH (ZIP CODE as appropriate. See below.) U.S.A.

The Zip Codes are:

ASIA—00210  
SOUTH AMERICA/CENTRAL  
AMERICA/CARIBBEAN—00211  
EUROPE—00212  
AFRICA—00213  
OCEANIA—00214  
NORTH AMERICA—00215

For the DV Program, the regions are divided as follows:

(1) ASIA: ZIP CODE: 00210 (extends from Israel to the northern Pacific islands, and includes Indonesia):

AFGHANISTAN  
BAHRAIN  
BANGLADESH  
BHUTAN  
BRUNEI  
BURMA  
CAMBODIA  
HONG KONG S.A.R.  
INDONESIA  
IRAN  
IRAQ  
ISRAEL  
JAPAN  
JORDAN  
NORTH KOREA  
KUWAIT  
LAOS  
LEBANON  
MALAYSIA  
MALDIVES  
MONGOLIA  
NEPAL  
OMAN  
PAKISTAN  
QATAR  
SAUDI ARABIA  
SINGAPORE  
SRI LANKA  
SYRIA  
THAILAND  
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES  
YEMEN

In Asia CHINA-mainland born and Taiwan born, INDIA, PHILIPPINES, SOUTH KOREA, and VIETNAM DO

NOT QUALIFY for this year's diversity program. HONG KONG S.A.R. DOES QUALIFY. MACAU WILL BECOME INELIGIBLE ON DECEMBER 20, 1999. All DV-2000 visas for Macau-born selected entries must be issued by that date.

(2) SOUTH AMERICA/CENTRAL AMERICA/CARIBBEAN: ZIP CODE: 00211 (extends from Central America (Guatemala) and the Caribbean nations to Chile.)

ANTIGUA & BARBUDA

ARGENTINA

ARGENTINA

BARBADOS

BELIZE

BOLIVIA

BRAZIL

CHILE

COSTA RICA

CUBA

DOMINICA

ECUADOR

GRENADA

GUATEMALA

GUYANA

HONDURAS

NICARAGUA

PANAMA

PARAGUAY

PERU

ST. KITTS & NEVIS

ST. LUCIA

ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES

SURINAME

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

URUGUAY

VENEZUELA

In South America COLOMBIA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, EL SALVADOR, HAITI, JAMAICA, AND MEXICO DO NOT QUALIFY for this year's Diversity Program.

(3) EUROPE : ZIP CODE: 00212 (Extends from Greenland to Russia, and includes all countries of the former USSR):

ALBANIA

ANDORRA

ARMENIA

AUSTRIA

AZERBAIJAN

BELARUS

BELGIUM

BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA

BULGARIA

CROATIA

CYPRUS

CZECH REPUBLIC

DENMARK\*

ESTONIA

FINLAND

FRANCE\*

GEORGIA

GERMANY

GREECE

HUNGARY

ICELAND

IRELAND

ITALY

KAZAKSTAN

KYRGYZSTAN

LATVIA

LICHTENSTEIN

LITHUANIA

LUXEMBOURG

MACEDONIA, THE FORMER

YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF

MALTA

MOLDOVA

MONACO

MONTENEGRO

NETHERLANDS\*

NORTHERN IRELAND

NORWAY

PORTUGAL\* \*\*

ROMANIA

RUSSIA

SAN MARINO

SERBIA

SLOVAKIA

SLOVENIA

SPAIN

SWEDEN

SWITZERLAND

TAJIKISTAN

TURKEY

TURKMENISTAN

UKRAINE

UZBEKISTAN

VATICAN CITY

NB: In Europe GREAT BRITAIN and POLAND DO NOT QUALIFY for this year's diversity program. GREAT BRITAIN (UNITED KINGDOM) includes the following dependent areas:

ANGUILLA, BERMUDA, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, CAYMAN ISLANDS, FAULKLAND ISLANDS, GIBRALTAR, MONTSEERRAT, PITCAIRN, ST. HELENA, TURKS AND CAICOS

ISLANDS. Note that for purposes of the Diversity Program only, Northern Ireland is treated separately; NORTHERN IRELAND DOES QUALIFY and is listed among the qualifying areas.

\* Includes components and dependent areas overseas.

\*\* Macau-born selected registrants must receive their visas by December 20, 1999 in order to qualify for DV-2000.

(4) AFRICA: ZIP CODE: 00213 (includes all countries on the African continent and adjacent islands):

ALGERIA

ANGOLA

BENIN

BOTSWANA

BURKINA FASO

BURUNDI

CAMEROON

CAPE VERDE

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

CHAD

COMOROS

CONGO

CONGO, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE

COTE D'IVOIRE (IVORY COAST)

DJIBOUTI

EGYPT

EQUATORIAL GUINEA

ERITREA

ETHIOPIA

GABON

GAMBIA, THE

GHANA

GUINEA

GUINEA-BISSAU

KENYA

LESOTHO

LIBERIA

LIBYA

MADAGASCAR

MALAWI

MALI

MAURITANIA

MAURITIUS

MOROCCO

MOZAMBIQUE

NAMIBIA

NIGER

NIGERIA

RWANDA

SAO TOME & PRINCIPE

SENEGAL

SEYCHELLES

SIERRA LEONE

SOMALIA

SOUTH AFRICA

SUDAN

SWAZILAND

TANZANIA

TOGO

TUNISIA

UGANDA

ZAMBIA

ZIMBABWE

(5) OCEANIA: ZIP CODE: 00214

(includes Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and all countries and islands of the South Pacific):

AUSTRALIA\*

FIJI

KIRIBATI

MARSHALL ISLANDS

MICRONESIA, FEDERATED STATES OF

NAURU

NEW ZEALAND\*

PALAU

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

SOLOMON ISLANDS

TONGA

TUVALU

VANUATU

#### **WESTERN SAMOA**

\* Includes components and dependent areas overseas.

(6) NORTH AMERICA: ZIP CODE: 00215 (includes the Bahamas):

**BAHAMAS, THE**

(In North America, CANADA DOES NOT QUALIFY for this year's Diversity Program.)

Applicants must meet ALL eligibility requirements under the U.S. law in order to be issued visas. Processing of applications and issuance of diversity visas to successful applicants and their eligible family members MUST occur by September 30, 2000. Family members may not obtain diversity visas to follow to join the applicant in the U.S. after this date.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** There is NO initial fee, other than postage required to enter the DV-2000 program. The use of an outside intermediary or assistance to prepare a DV-2000 entry is entirely at the applicant's discretion. Qualified entries received directly from applicants or through intermediaries have equal chances of being selected by computer. There is no advantage to mailing early, or mailing from any particular locale. Every application received during the mail-in period will have an equal random chance of being selected within its region. However, more than one application per person will disqualify the person from registration.

**Selection of Winners**

The selection of winners is made at random and no outside service can legitimately improve an applicant's chances of being chosen or guarantee that an entry will win. Any service that claims it can improve an applicant's odds is promising something it cannot lawfully deliver.

Persons who think they have been cheated by a U.S. company or consultant in connection with the Diversity Visa Lottery may wish to contact their local consumer affairs office or the National Fraud Information Center at 1-800-876-7060 or 1-202-835-0159 from 9:00 am to 5:30 p.m. (EST), Monday through Friday or 1-202-835-0159; Internet address: <http://www/fraud.org>. The U.S. Department of State does not investigate consumer complaints against businesses in the United States.

**Notifying Winners**

Only successful entrants will be notified. They will be notified by mail between April and July of 1999 at the address listed on their entry. Winners will also be sent instructions on how to apply for an immigrant visa, including information on the fee for immigrant visas and a separate visa lottery surcharge. Successful entrants must complete the immigrant visa application process and meet all eligibility

requirements under U.S. law to be issued a visa.

Being selected as a winner in the DV Lottery does not automatically guarantee being issued a visa even if the applicant is qualified, because the number of entries selected and registered is greater than the number of immigrant visas available. Those selected will, therefore, need to complete and file their immigrant visa applications quickly. Once all 50,000 visas have been issued or on September 30, 1999, whichever is sooner, the DV Program for Fiscal Year 2000 will end.

**Obtaining Instructions on Entering the DV Lottery**

The above information on entering the DV-2000 Program is also available 24 hours a day to persons within the United States by calling the Department of State's Visa Lottery Information Center at 1-900-884-8840 at a flat rate of \$5.10 per call. Callers will first hear some basic information about the DV Lottery and will be requested to provide their name and address so that printed instructions can be mailed to them. Applicants overseas may continue to contact the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate for instructions on the DV Lottery.

Dated: July 29, 1998.

**Mary A. Ryan,**

*Assistant Secretary for Consular Affairs.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Aviation Administration**

[Summary Notice No. PE-98-15]

**Petitions for Exemption; Summary of Petitions Received; Disposition of Petitions Issued**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of petitions for exemption received and of dispositions of prior petitions.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to FAA's rulemaking provisions governing the application, processing, and disposition of petitions for exemption (14 CFR Part 11), this notice contains a summary of certain petitions seeking relief from specified requirements of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Chapter I), dispositions of certain petitions previously received, and corrections. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA's

regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of any petition or its final disposition.

**DATES:** Comments on petitions received must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received on or before August 24, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments on any petition in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Office of the Chief Counsel, Attn: Rule Docket (AGC-200), Petition Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, D.C. 20591.

Comments may also be sent electronically to the following internet address: 9-NPRM-CMTS@faa.dot.gov.

The petition, any comments received, and a copy of any final disposition are filed in the assigned regulatory docket and are available for examination in the Rules Docket (AGC-200), Room 915G, FAA Headquarters Building (FOB 10A), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, D.C. 20591; telephone (202) 267-3132.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Tawana Matthews (202) 267-9783 or Terry Stubblefield (202) 267-7624, Office of Rulemaking (ARM-1), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

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Issued in Washington, D.C., on July 27, 1998.

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**Petitions for Exemption**

*Docket No.:* 28672

*Petitioner:* Alaska Airlines, Inc.

*Sections of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR 121.709(b)(3)

*Description of Relief Sought:* To permit Alaska Airlines' certificated mechanics to train flight operations instructors who would then train flight crewmembers in the installation and removal procedures for medevac stretchers in Alaska Airlines' aircraft

*Docket No.:* 29210

*Petitioner:* Simulator Training, Inc.

*Sections of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR 63.37(b)(1), (2), (3), (4), and (6) and paragraphs (a)(3)(i), (iv)(a) and (v) of appendix C to part 63

*Description of Relief Sought:* To permit Simulator Training, Inc., to allow an applicant for the initial Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) flight engineer (FE) certificate, who does not