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IN RE:

APPLICATION: Application for Permanent Residence Pursuant to Section 245 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1255

ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT:

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INSTRUCTIONS:

This is the decision of the Administrative Appeals Office in your case. All documents have been returned to the office that originally decided your case. Any further inquiry must be made to that office.

Robert P. Wieman, Director  
Administrative Appeals Office

**DISCUSSION:** The application was denied by the District Director, Washington, DC and is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be rejected.

The record reflects that the applicant is a native and citizen of Japan. On September 7, 2005, the district director denied the applicant's Form I-485, Application to Register Permanent Resident or Adjust Status, which was filed pursuant to section 245 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1255.

The authority to adjudicate appeals is delegated to the AAO by the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) pursuant to the authority vested in him through the Homeland Security Act of 2002, Pub. L. 107-296. See DHS Delegation Number 0150.1 (effective March 1, 2003); see also 8 C.F.R. § 2.1 (2003). The AAO exercises appellate jurisdiction over the matters described at 8 C.F.R. § 103.1(f)(3)(iii) (as in effect on February 28, 2003). The AAO does not have jurisdiction over I-485 applications filed pursuant to section 245 of the Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1255. Accordingly, the appeal will be rejected.

**ORDER:** The appeal is rejected.