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FILE: [REDACTED] Office: VERMONT SERVICE CENTER Date: FEB 02 2006  
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IN RE: Petitioner: (NO FIRST NAME) [REDACTED]

PETITION: Petition for Special Immigrant Battered Spouse Pursuant to Section 204(a)(1)(A)(iii) of the  
Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1154(a)(1)(A)(iii)

ON BEHALF OF PETITIONER:

SELF-REPRESENTED

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. Wiemann, Director  
Administrative Appeals Office

for

**DISCUSSION:** The Director, Vermont Service Center, denied the immigrant visa petition and the matter is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be dismissed.

The petitioner is a native and citizen of Indonesia who seeks classification as a special immigrant pursuant to section 204(a)(1)(A)(iii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1154(a)(1)(A)(iii), as an alien subjected to battery or extreme cruelty by his United States citizen spouse. The director denied the petition, finding that the petitioner failed to establish that he was battered or subjected to extreme cruelty by his United States citizen spouse during their marriage. The petitioner timely filed an appeal.

On his Form I-290B the petitioner states that he could not find an attorney to represent him; that his limited understanding of English and legal language affected his ability to describe his wife's abuse in his affidavits; that he told his doctor his back was injured from exercise because he was too embarrassed to tell what really happened; that his wife used their cultural differences to hurt him; and that even though he did not know how to express what happened to him in writing, he was hurt physically and mentally. The petitioner submits no additional evidence on appeal to support his claim that his wife battered him and subjected him to extreme cruelty during their marriage.

We are mindful of the challenges that the petitioner faces in representing himself on appeal without the aid of counsel. Accordingly, we have fully reviewed his statements on appeal, the director's decision and the evidence submitted below. However, pursuant to the regulation at 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(1)(v), an appeal shall be summarily dismissed if the party concerned fails to identify specifically any erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact for the appeal. In this case, the petitioner offers explanations for the deficiencies of the evidence previously submitted, but he does not specifically identify any legal or factual error in the director's decision. Consequently, his appeal must be summarily dismissed.

**ORDER:** The appeal is dismissed.