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FILE:

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Office: TEXAS SERVICE CENTER Date:

IN RE:

Petitioner:

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Beneficiary:

PETITION: Petition for Special Immigrant Religious Worker Pursuant to Section 203(b)(4) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1153(b)(4), as described at Section 101(a)(27)(C) of the Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(27)(C)

ON BEHALF OF PETITIONER:

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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.

R. P. Wiemann

Robert P. Wiemann, Director
Administrative Appeals Office

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DISCUSSION: The immigrant visa petition was denied by the Director of the Texas Service Center and is now before the Administrative Appeals Office on appeal. The appeal will be summarily dismissed.

The petitioner states that it is a church. It seeks classification of the beneficiary as a special immigrant religious worker pursuant to section 203(b)(4) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1153(b)(4), in order to employ him as a "Christian counselor." The director determined that the petitioner had not established that the beneficiary had been engaged continuously in a qualifying religious vocation or occupation for the full two years immediately preceding the filing date of the petition.

On appeal, counsel asserts only that: "[t]he denial of this petition is inconsistent with some of the decision[s] from the BIA [Board of Immigration Appeals] and the courts." Counsel indicated that a brief and additional evidence would be submitted within 45 days of the filing date of the appeal. To date, no brief or evidence has been received. Therefore, the record will be considered complete.

Pursuant to 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(1)(v):

An officer to whom an appeal is taken shall summarily dismiss any appeal when the party concerned fails to identify specifically any erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact for the appeal.

On appeal, counsel for the petitioner has not identified specifically any erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact for the appeal. Nor has she submitted any additional evidence to overcome the ground for denial of the petition. Therefore, the appeal must be summarily dismissed.

Upon review of the record, it is noted that the petitioner has also failed to establish that it is a bona fide non-profit religious organization and that the proffered position qualifies as a religious vocation or occupation. The petition also must be denied for these reasons.

ORDER: The appeal is summarily dismissed.