



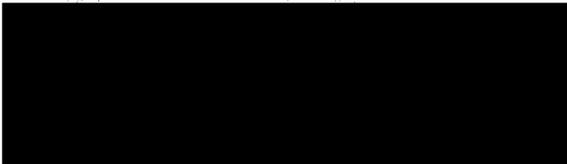
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IN RE: Petitioner: [Redacted]  
Beneficiary: [Redacted]

Petition: Petition for a Nonimmigrant Worker Pursuant to Section 101(a)(15)(H)(iii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(H)(iii)

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IN BEHALF OF PETITIONER: Self-represented

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

This is the decision 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.

If you believe the law was inappropriately applied or the analysis used in reaching the decision was inconsistent with the information provided or with precedent decisions, you may file a motion to reconsider. Such a motion must state the reasons for reconsideration and be supported by any pertinent precedent decisions. Any motion to reconsider must be filed within 30 days of the decision that the motion seeks to reconsider, as required under 8 C.F.R. 103.5(a)(1)(i).

If you have new or additional information that you wish to have considered, you may file a motion to reopen. Such a motion must state the new facts to be proved at the reopened proceeding and be supported by affidavits or other documentary evidence. Any motion to reopen must be filed within 30 days of the decision that the motion seeks to reopen, except that failure to file before this period expires may be excused in the discretion of the Service where it is demonstrated that the delay was reasonable and beyond the control of the applicant or petitioner. Id.

Any motion must be filed with the office that originally decided your case along with a fee of \$110 as required under 8 C.F.R. 103.7.

FOR THE ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER,  
EXAMINATIONS

Robert P. Wiemann, Director  
Administrative Appeals Office

**DISCUSSION:** The nonimmigrant visa petition was denied by the Director, Texas Service Center. A subsequent appeal was dismissed by the Associate Commissioner for Examinations. The matter is now before the Associate Commissioner on a motion to reopen. The motion will be granted and the petition will be approved.

The petitioner is a video and event production firm which seeks to train the beneficiary in video production for a period of 15 1/2 months. The director determined that the petitioner had not demonstrated that the proposed training is not available in the beneficiary's home country or that the training is not merely a repetition of previous training. The director also found that the training program dealt primarily in generalities. The Associate Commissioner concurred with the director that the petitioner had not established that the training program does not merely deal in generalities and that such training is not available in the beneficiary's home country. Nevertheless, the Associate Commissioner also found that the beneficiary does not already possess substantial training and expertise in the proposed field of training.

On motion, the petitioner argues that it has complied with pertinent regulations.

Section 101(a) (15) (H) (iii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. 1101(a) (15) (H) (iii) describes an H-3 trainee as:

Having a residence in a foreign country which he has no intention of abandoning who is coming temporarily to the United States as a trainee, other than to receive graduate medical education in a training program that is not designed primarily to provide productive employment

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8 C.F.R. 214.2(h) (7) provides a list of criteria for H-3 training programs. The petitioner must demonstrate that the proposed training is not available in the beneficiary's own country, and that the proposed training does not deal in generalities. In Matter of Koyama, 11 I&N Dec. 424 (Reg. Comm. 1965), the regional commissioner determined that a petition for an H-3 trainee was properly denied because the training program was excessive in length, repetitious, and would consist principally of on-the-job experience.

The petitioner argues persuasively that the beneficiary will be trained in the petitioner's proprietary and specialized methods and procedures. This training is unique to the petitioner and can only be received from the petitioner.

The petitioner has provided an outline of the proposed classroom

training which demonstrates that the proposed training is a well-rounded training program in video production. However, it is clear that the training will include a substantial amount of on-the-job training. In Matter of St. Pierre, 18 I&N Dec. 308 (Reg. Comm. 1982), the Commissioner held that a training program which consists primarily of on-the-job training may be approved when the subject matter by its very nature can only be learned in that setting. Finally, the petitioner has provided evidence in the form of listings of courses offered at institutions of higher learning that such training is not available in Northern Ireland. In view of the foregoing, it is concluded that the grounds for denial have been overcome.

The burden of proof in these proceedings rests solely with the petitioner. Section 291 of the Act, 8 U.S.C. 361. The petitioner has sustained that burden. Accordingly, the decision of the director will be withdrawn and the petition will be approved.

**ORDER:** The order of the Associate Commissioner dated June 11, 2001 is withdrawn and the petition is approved.