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FILE: [Redacted] Office: NEBRASKA SERVICE CENTER Date: OCT 05 2006
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IN RE: Applicant: [Redacted]

APPLICATION: Application for Status as a Temporary Resident pursuant to Section 245A of the
Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended, 8 U.S.C. § 1255a.

ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT: 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, Chief
Administrative Appeals Office

DISCUSSION: The application for temporary resident status was denied by the Director, Northern Regional Processing Facility, and is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be rejected. The AAO will return the matter for further action by the director.

The district director denied the application because the applicant had not demonstrated that he had continuously resided in the United States in an unlawful status from before January 1, 1982 through May 4, 1988.

An adverse decision on an application for temporary resident status may be appealed to the Administrative Appeals Office. Any appeal shall be submitted to the Service Center with the required fee within thirty (30) days after service of the Notice of Denial. An appeal received after the thirty-day period has tolled will not be accepted. *See* 8 C.F.R. § 245a.2(p). Whenever a person has the right or is required to do some act within a prescribed period after the service of a notice upon him and the notice is served by mail, three days shall be added to the prescribed period. Service by mail is complete upon mailing. 8 C.F.R. § 103.5a(b).

The director issued a Notice of Denial on October 14, 1988. The Northern Service Center received the appeal on November 5, 1990, over two years after the decision was issued. Accordingly, the appeal was untimely filed, and must be rejected.

It is noted that the applicant provided a new address which was received by the Northern Regional Processing Facility on June 16, 1988. The director, however, did not mail the Notice of Denial to the applicant's new address of record. The untimely filing of the appeal appears to be due to the director's error. It is noted that, pursuant to 8 C.F.R. § 245a.2(q), the director may *sua sponte* reopen any adverse decision. Additionally, the director may certify any such decision to the AAO. *See* 8 C.F.R. § 245a.2(r).

ORDER: The appeal is rejected.