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Office: NATIONAL BENEFITS CENTER

Date: JUL 31 2008

IN RE: Applicant: [REDACTED]

APPLICATION: Application for Temporary Resident Status under Section 210 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended, 8 U.S.C. § 1160

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 National Benefits Center. If your appeal was sustained, or if your case was remanded for further action, you will be contacted. If your appeal was dismissed, you no longer have a case pending before this office, and you are not entitled to file a motion to reopen or reconsider your case.

Robert P. Wiemann, Chief  
Administrative Appeals Office

**DISCUSSION:** The application for temporary resident status as a special agricultural worker 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 director denied the application based on the determination that the applicant failed to establish the performance of at least 90 man-days of qualifying agricultural employment during the eligibility period ending May 1, 1986.

Whenever an application for special agricultural worker status is denied or the status of a lawful temporary resident is terminated, the alien shall be given written notice setting forth the specific reasons for the denial on Form I-692, Notice of Denial. Form I-692 shall also contain advice to the applicant that he or she may appeal the decision and that such appeal must be taken within 30 days following service of the notification of decision. 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(3)(i). An appeal received after the thirty (30) day period has tolled will not be accepted for processing. 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(3)(iv). Form I-694, Notice of Appeal, shall be used to file the appeal and must be accompanied by the appropriate fee. 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(3)(ii). 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 the Notice of Denial on June 7, 1991. The appeal was received on December 28, 1992. The appeal was untimely filed and, therefore, must be rejected.

While it appears that the applicant's counsel was sent a copy of the decision, it is noted that the director did not mail the Notice of Denial to the applicant's updated address of record. Therefore, the untimely filing of the appeal may be due, in part, to the director's error. Pursuant to 8 C.F.R. § 210.2(g), 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. § 210.2(h).

**ORDER:** The appeal is rejected as untimely filed.