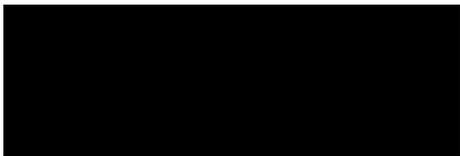




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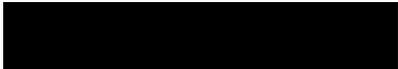
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Applicant:



APPLICATION: Application for Temporary Protected Status under Section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1254

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.

*for* Robert P. Wiemann, Director  
Administrative Appeals Office

**DISCUSSION:** The application was denied by the Director, Vermont Service Center, and is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The case will be remanded.

The applicant is a native and citizen of El Salvador who is seeking Temporary Protected Status (TPS) under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1254.

The director determined that the applicant failed to respond to a notice of intent to deny the Application for Temporary Protected Status (Form I-821) and, therefore, “the grounds for denial have not been overcome.”

While the director’s decision states: “Your application is denied,” the specific reason for the decision is not indicated. Under 8 C.F.R. § 103.3, “ the officer shall explain in writing the specific reasons for denial.”

The case is remanded for the issuance of a new decision that sets forth the specific reasons for the denial.

**ORDER:** The director’s decision is withdrawn. The case is remanded to the director for further action consistent with the above and entry of a new decision.