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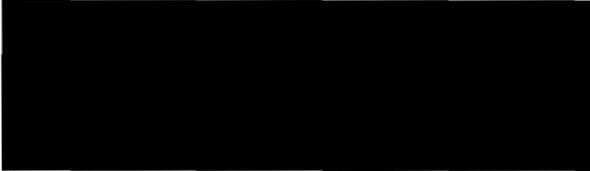
Office: California Service Center

Date: **DEC 27 2006**

[WAC 05 218 78068]

IN RE:

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.

Robert P. Wiemann, Chief
Administrative Appeals Office

DISCUSSION: The application was denied by the Director, California Service Center, and is now before the Administrative Appeals Office on appeal. The appeal will be dismissed.

The applicant is stated to be a 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 record reveals that the applicant filed an initial TPS application on August 8, 2002, under CIS receipt number SRC 02 243 53865. The Texas Service Center director denied the application, on September 7, 2004, because the applicant failed to respond, within 12 weeks, to a request for evidence to submit a photo identification. The director, therefore, considered that application abandoned. 8 C.F.R. § 103.2(b)(13). A denial due to abandonment may not be appealed; however, an applicant may file a motion to reopen under 8 C.F.R. § 103.5 within 30 days of the denial decision. The record does not reflect that the applicant filed a motion to reopen.

The applicant filed the current Form I-821, Application for Temporary Protected Status, on May 6, 2005, under CIS receipt number WAC 05 218 78068, and indicated that she was re-registering for TPS.

The director denied that application on August 16, 2005, because the applicant's initial TPS application had been denied as the applicant did not establish prima facie eligibility for TPS.

On appeal, the applicant states that she does not understand why her TPS application was denied. In an attempt to establish eligibility for TPS, the applicant submits copies of: an Employment Authorization Card, which expired on March 9, 2005; a Texas Identification Card, which expires May 18, 2011; a Social Security card; a birth certificate, with an English translation; an untranslated document (in Spanish); an Achievement Award for ESL Level I, dated December 10, 1998; 2 Reliant Energy invoices showing billing dates in the year 2000; 2001 Income Tax Return, Form 1040-EZ, with a form W-2; a copy of a DBI Tenprinter Application Information Worksheet (AIW), completed on September 20, 2002; 4 CIS receipt notices, dated August 9, 2002, September 10, 2003, and 2 dated May 10, 2005; a Cashier Certificate from Timewise Food Stores, dated November 1, 2003; a CIS Form I-797D, dated November 21, 2003; a 2004 W-2 Wage and Tax Statement, and Earnings Summary; a Western Union money transfer receipt, dated June 5, 2004; an ADP Earnings Statement for pay dated August 12, 2005; a CIS Fingerprint Notification, dated June 1, 2005; and an Application for TPS, Form I-821, and an Application for Employment Authorization, Form I-765, both signed February 26, 2005.

If the applicant is filing an application as a re-registration, a previous grant of TPS must have been afforded the applicant, as only those individuals who are granted TPS must register annually. In addition, the applicant must continue to maintain the conditions of eligibility. 8 C.F.R. § 244.17.

In this case, the applicant has not previously been granted TPS. Therefore, she is not eligible to re-register for TPS. Consequently, the director's decision to deny the application will be affirmed.

Beyond the decision of the director, the applicant has not submitted sufficient evidence to establish her nationality and identity. The applicant has furnished a copy of a birth certificate and English translation; however, she has not submitted a national identity document from her country bearing a photograph and or/fingerprint. The birth certificate alone is insufficient to establish the applicant's identity and nationality

under the provision of 8 C.F.R. § 244.9(a)(1). Therefore, the application must also be denied for these reasons.

The application will be denied for the above stated reasons, with each considered as an independent and alternative basis for denial. An alien applying for temporary protected status has the burden of proving that he or she meets the requirements enumerated above and is otherwise eligible under the provisions of section 244 of the Act. The applicant has failed to meet this burden.

ORDER: The appeal is dismissed.