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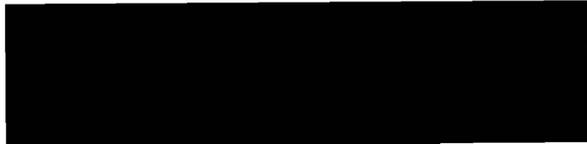
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FILE: [REDACTED]
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Office: California Service Center

Date: **JAN 30 2007**

IN RE: Applicant: [REDACTED]

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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert P. Wiemann".

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 rejected.

The applicant is 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 director denied the application after determining that the applicant had failed to establish his eligibility for TPS late registration.

On appeal, the applicant appears to be represented by [REDACTED] however, the record does not contain Form G-28, Notice of Entry of Appearance as Attorney or Representative, from [REDACTED]

"Affected Party" means the person or entity with legal standing in a proceeding. 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(1)(iii)(B).

An appeal filed by a person or entity not entitled to file it must be rejected as improperly filed. In such a case, any filing fee which has been accepted will not be refunded. 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(2)(v).

In this case, the appeal was filed by [REDACTED] However, as stated above, [REDACTED] cannot be recognized as having legal standing in the proceeding. Therefore, the appeal will be rejected.

It is also noted that the applicant did not sign the Form I-290B, Notice of Appeal to the Administrative Appeals Unit (AAU).

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 failed to meet this burden.

As always in these proceedings, the burden of proof rests solely with the applicant. Section 291 of the Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1361.

ORDER: The appeal is rejected.