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FILE: [redacted] Office: VERMONT SERVICE CENTER Date:

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.

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 on appeal. The appeal will be rejected.

The applicant is a native and citizen of El Salvador who indicated on his application that he entered the United States without a lawful admission or parole in November 1999. The director denied the application for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1254, because the applicant failed to establish he had: 1) continuously resided in the United States since February 13, 2001; and 2) been continuously physically present in the United States since March 9, 2001.

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

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 Ms. Fanny Barrantes-Perez of the Latin American Assistance Corporation in Arlington, Virginia. Ms. Barrantes-Perez did not cite any legal authority entitling her to file an appeal in this matter. Therefore, the appeal will be rejected.

ORDER: The appeal is rejected.