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IN RE: Applicant: [REDACTED]

APPLICATION: Application for Status as Permanent Resident Pursuant to Section 13 of the Act of September 11, 1957, 8 U.S.C. § 1255b.

ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT:

[REDACTED]

INSTRUCTIONS:

Enclosed please find the decision of the Administrative Appeals Office in your case. All of the documents related to this matter have been returned to the office that originally decided your case. Please be advised that any further inquiry that you might have concerning your case must be made to that office.

If you believe the law was inappropriately applied by us in reaching our decision, or you have additional information that you wish to have considered, you may file a motion to reconsider or a motion to reopen. The specific requirements for filing such a request can be found at 8 C.F.R. § 103.5. All motions must be submitted to the office that originally decided your case by filing a Form I-290B, Notice of Appeal or Motion, with a fee of \$630. Please be aware that 8 C.F.R. § 103.5(a)(1)(i) requires that any motion must be filed within 30 days of the decision that the motion seeks to reconsider or reopen.

Thank you,

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Perry Rhew
Chief, Administrative Appeals Office

DISCUSSION: The application was denied by the Director (director), National Benefits Center. The matter is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be dismissed.

The applicant is a native and citizen of Bangladesh who is seeking to adjust his status to that of a lawful permanent resident under section 13 of the Act of 1957 ("Section 13"), Pub. L. No. 85-316, 71 Stat. 642, as modified, 95 Stat. 1611, 8 U.S.C. § 1255b, as the child of an alien who performed diplomatic or semi-diplomatic duties under section 101(a)(15)(G)(i) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(G)(i).

The director denied the Form I-485, Application to Register Permanent Residence or Adjust Status after determining that the applicant's father had failed to demonstrate that compelling reasons prevent his and his family's return to Bangladesh. The director also noted that the U.S. Department of State issued its opinion on June 23, 2011, recommending that the applicant's father's adjustment of status be denied because he has failed to present compelling reasons why he does not want to return to Bangladesh. The director denied the applicant's adjustment of status application on the basis of his father's ineligibility for benefits under Section 13. *Decision of the Director*, dated June 11, 2012.

In a separate decision, the AAO dismissed the appeal of the applicant's father on the grounds that he failed to establish that he performed diplomatic or semi-diplomatic duties and that compelling reasons prevent his and his family's return to Bangladesh. As the applicant's eligibility for adjustment under Section 13 derives from the eligibility of his father, the applicant is also ineligible for adjustment of status.

For the reasons discussed above, the AAO finds that the applicant is not eligible for adjustment under Section 13. Pursuant to section 291 of the Act, 8 U.S.C. 1361, the burden of proof is upon the applicant to establish that he is eligible for adjustment of status. The applicant has failed to meet that burden. Accordingly, the appeal will be dismissed.

ORDER: The appeal is dismissed.