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FILE: WAC 07 016 50025 Office: CALIFORNIA SERVICE CENTER Date: MAR 19 2010

IN RE: Petitioner: [redacted]
Beneficiary:

PETITION: Immigrant Petition for Special Immigrant Religious Worker Pursuant to Section 203(b)(4) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1153(b)(4), as described at Section 101(a)(27)(C) of the Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(27)(C)

ON BEHALF OF PETITIONER:

[redacted]

DISCUSSION: The Director, California Service Center, denied the employment-based immigrant visa petition. The petitioner appealed the decision to the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO). The AAO remanded the petition to the director for a new decision based on revised regulations. The director again denied the petition and certified the decision to the AAO. On March 8, 2010, Shelly D. Giesmann, secretary and treasurer of the petitioning church, stated that the beneficiary "will return to . . . Brazil," and that "this letter will cancel and void all procedures related to the immigration process that have been performed." We consider this letter to be, in effect, a request to withdraw the petition.

All documents have been returned to the office that originally decided the case. Any further inquiry must be made to that office.

ORDER: The AAO acknowledges the withdrawal of the petition, and affirms the denial thereof.

Mari Johnson

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Chief, Administrative Appeals Office