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U.S. Citizenship
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Services

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Office: VERMONT SERVICE CENTER

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IN RE:

PETITIONER:

PETITION:

Petition for U Nonimmigrant Classification as a Victim of a Qualifying Crime Pursuant to Section 101(a)(15)(U) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(U)

ON BEHALF OF PETITIONER:

INSTRUCTIONS:

Enclosed please find the decision of the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) in your case.

This is a non-precedent decision. The AAO does not announce new constructions of law nor establish agency policy through non-precedent decisions.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron Rosenberg".

Ron Rosenberg
Chief, Administrative Appeals Office

DISCUSSION: The Acting Director, Vermont Service Center (the director), denied the nonimmigrant visa petition and the matter is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be summarily dismissed. The petition will remain denied.

The petitioner seeks nonimmigrant classification under section 101(a)(15)(U) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(U), as an alien victim of certain qualifying criminal activity.

The director denied the petition on November 8, 2013, because although the petitioner meets the criteria for U-1 nonimmigrant status at section 101(a)(15)(U)(i) of the Act, he is inadmissible to the United States and his Form I-192, Advance Permission to Enter as a Nonimmigrant has been denied. On appeal, counsel submits a Notice of Appeal (Form I-290B), indicating that a brief or other evidence would be submitted within 30 days, or by January 10, 2014. To date, over eleven months later, the AAO has received no further brief or evidence from counsel or the petitioner.

The regulation at 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(1)(v) states, in pertinent part:

Summary dismissal. An officer to whom an appeal is taken shall summarily dismiss any appeal when the party concerned fails to identify specifically any erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact for the appeal.

On the Form I-290B, counsel states that the petitioner does not possess a serious criminal record and that the agency failed to consider the petitioner's fear of return to Fiji and did not apply the "totality of the circumstances" when analyzing the petitioner's grounds of inadmissibility.¹ Counsel, however, failed to identify any specific erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact in the director's decision and the AAO has received no further evidence or brief in support of the appeal. Accordingly, the appeal must be summarily dismissed.

ORDER: The appeal is summarily dismissed. The petition remains denied.

¹ The regulation at 8 C.F.R. § 212.17(b)(3) states in pertinent part: "There is no appeal of a decision to deny a waiver." As the AAO does not have jurisdiction to review whether the director properly denied the Form I-192 application, the AAO does not consider whether approval of the Form I-192 application should have been granted. The only issue before the AAO would be whether the director was correct in finding the petitioner to be inadmissible and, therefore, requiring an approved Form I-192 application pursuant to 8 C.F.R. §§ 212.17, 214.14(c)(2)(iv).