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U. S. Citizenship and Immigration Service
Administrative Appeals Office (AAO)
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U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Date: JUN 17 2013 Office: VERMONT SERVICE CENTER FILE:

IN RE: Petitioner:
Beneficiary:

PETITION: Petition for a Nonimmigrant Worker Pursuant to Section 101(a)(15)(L) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(L)

ON BEHALF OF PETITIONER:

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 in accordance with the instructions on Form I-290B, Notice of Appeal or Motion, with a fee of $630. The specific requirements for filing such a request can be found at 8 C.F.R. § 103.5. **Do not file any motion directly with the AAO.** 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,

for Ron Rosenberg
Acting Chief, Administrative Appeals Office

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

The petitioner filed the nonimmigrant petition to classify the beneficiary as an intracompany transferee pursuant to section 101(a)(15)(L) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(L). The petitioner seeks to temporarily transfer the beneficiary to the United States as an employee with specialized knowledge for a period of three years. The petitioner requested that the U.S. Consulate in Chennai, India be notified upon approval of the petition so that the beneficiary could obtain a visa and be admitted to the United States.

The director denied the petition on August 31, 2010, and the petitioner filed a timely appeal.

A review of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records indicates that, subsequent to the denial of the petition, the petitioner filed a new Form I-129, Petition for a Nonimmigrant Worker, on September 16, 2011 USCIS approved the petition and granted the beneficiary H-1B classification from February 8, 2012 through December 31, 2013. While the petitioner has not withdrawn the appeal in this proceeding, it would appear that the beneficiary is presently authorized for employment with the petitioner, and the issues in this proceeding are moot.

Accordingly, the AAO finds that the beneficiary's current nonimmigrant status deprives this appeal of any practical significance. Considerations of prudence warrant the dismissal of the appeal as moot. *See Matter of Luis*, 22 I&N Dec. 747, 753 (BIA 1999).

**ORDER:** The appeal is dismissed as moot.