

April 4, 2023

Ms. Victoria Neilson, Esq. Ms. Kathryn R. Weber, Esq. Asylum & Refugee Committee Co-Chairs American Immigration Lawyers Association 1331 G Street NW, Suite 300 Washington, DC 20005

Dear Ms. Neilson and Ms. Weber:

Thank you for your January 18, 2023 letter with suggestions for a small group meeting to discuss Form I-730 *Refugee/Asylee Relative Petition* processing as well as recommendations for improving the processing and adjudication of these petitions. We appreciate engagement by AILA and the organizations that contributed to your letter and welcome your recommendations.

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) aims to be inclusive and responsive to the public and all organizations interested in Form I-730 processing through our stakeholder engagements. My staff reviewed your concerns and suggestions and planned to address them during our National Engagement on Form I-730 Refugee/Asylee Follow-to-Join Processing on March 29. Some questions were answered during the live event as time permitted and for those questions that were not answered during the live event, we will provide written responses in the electronic reading room.

We appreciate your continued support and look forward to future engagements with AILA on asylum, refugee, and humanitarian workload issues. Should you wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Associate Director

cc: Mr. John Lafferty, Chief of Asylum Division, RAIO

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