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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Directors, Field Operations
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FROM: *for:* Todd Owen
Assistant Commissioner
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SUBJECT: Establishment of Priority Enforcement Programs (PEP)

On November 20, 2014 Secretary Johnson issued policy directive 044-04 *Policies for the Apprehension, Detention and Removal of Undocumented Immigrants*, and provided implementation guidance to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). CBP played a vital role in implementing the key enforcement priorities outlined in the policy and will continue to prioritize threats to national security, public safety, and border security.

In support of this effort, the Secretary recently terminated the *Secure Communities Program* and implemented the Priority Enforcement Program (PEP). Under PEP, ICE may seek the transfer of an alien in the custody of state or local law enforcement only when ICE has determined that the

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The Department of Homeland Security, in corroboration with OFO and other immigration components have reformed DHS Form I-247, Immigration Detainer Notice of Action, and created two separate forms:

1. DHS Form I-247D Immigration Detainer – Request for Voluntary Action
2. DHS Form I-247N Immigration Detainer – Request for Voluntary Notification of Release of Suspected Priority Alien

The creation of the DHS Forms I-247D/N will have minimal impact on how CBP law enforcement personnel access and use these forms, but should have no impact on operations or processing procedures. **(b) (7)(E)**

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OFO, alongside DHS has prepared the necessary instruction materials and workforce notifications to adequately support the implementation of PEP and transition to the DHS Forms I-247D/N.

Effective immediately, all 1895 Series CBP Officers are required to receive the PowerPoint training titled: Priority Enforcement Program (PEP) I-247, no later than June 20, 2015. Field Offices must ensure that all 1895 Series CBP Officers assigned under their jurisdiction, to include those on temporary assignments away from the port of entry are trained and have the corresponding TRAEN code inputted into their training profiles.

OFO Field Offices must provide a status report each day by 3:00 P.M. EST to Director (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and Branch Chief, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)