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**U.S. Customs and
Border Protection**

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Field Operations, New York
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SUBJECT: Streamlined Processing of Initial Refugee Arrivals

In conjunction with the International Organization for Migration (IOM), Department of State (DOS), and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (CIS), the Office of Field Operations (OFO) has developed a system to streamline refugee processing at the ports of entry (POE).

The intent of this memorandum is to further clarify the newly refined streamlined process of initial refugee arrivals. U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) processes initial refugees for admission into the United States at designated POEs. Non-designated POEs may, on occasion, process newly arriving refugees.

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Please refer to the attached muster detailing the refugee admission process.

Please ensure that this memorandum and muster are disseminated to all ports of entry within your jurisdiction. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Director, Enforcement Programs Division at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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