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### DEFINITIONS AND USE OF ADJOURNMENT, CALL-UP, AND CASE IDENTIFICATION CODES

PURPOSE:	Sets forth updated adjournment, call-up, and case identification codes used to track the case hearing process.
OWNER:	Office of the Director
AUTHORITY:	8 C.F.R. § 1003.0(b)
CANCELLATION:	Operating Policies and Procedures Memoranda 18-02

EOIR continually reviews its adjournment, call-up, and case identification codes and updates or modifies those codes as circumstances warrant. This Policy Memorandum rescinds OPPM 18-02, *Definitions and Use of Adjournment, Call-up, and Case Identification Codes,* dated June 8, 2018, and sets forth updated codes used to track the case hearing process.

Adjournment, call-up, and case identification codes are used primarily for tracking case information in EOIR's Case Access System for EOIR (CASE) (or its successor, if any). More specifically, when an immigration judge adjourns a case or gives a call-up date, the judge is responsible for making the reason(s) for the adjournment or call-up date clear on the record. In all cases, the judge should annotate the case worksheet on the left side of the Record of Proceedings with the corresponding adjournment code or call-up code or note the appropriate code in ECAS. The Court Administrators and court staff are responsible for ensuring that each adjournment code and call-up code is accurately entered into CASE. EOIR employees should be vigilant in ensuring that accurate codes are used in all situations. Intentional or repeated negligent use of an incorrect code or assignment of a continuance to an incorrect party not only affects the integrity of EOIR's data but may also result in corrective action. Court Administrators should review this PM with court staff to ensure that adjournment, call-up, and case identification codes are accurately entered into CASE.

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its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person. Nothing herein should be construed as mandating a particular outcome in any specific case.

Please contact your supervisor if you have any questions.

Code	Reason	Definition
*01	Alien to Seek Representation	Adjourned for alien to seek
		representation.
1A	Case Transferred From Non-	Adjourned because the case was
	Detained to Detained Docket	transferred to a detained docket.
1B	Case Transferred From Detained	Adjourned because the case was
	to Non- Detained Docket	transferred to a non-detained docket.
03	Preparation - DHS	Adjourned to allow DHS time for case
		preparation or to cover other DHS-
		requested continuances not included on
		this list.
3A	IJ Detail (Volunteer)	Adjourned because the IJ was
		unavailable due to volunteer detail.
3B	IJ Detail (Non-Volunteer)	Adjourned because the IJ was
		unavailable due to non-volunteer detail.
04	DHS or DHS Administrative File	Adjourned because DHS does not have
	Unavailable for Hearing	the A-File available, or does not appear
		at the hearing.
4A	Technical Malfunction (not	Adjourned due to non-video technical
	video)	malfunction.
4B	Interpreter Must Leave	Adjourned due to interpreter departure
		from hearing.
4C	Interpreter Appeared but Wrong	(EOIR-related) Adjourned because the
	Language or Dialect	wrong interpreter appeared due to court
		error.
4D	Interpreter Appeared but Wrong	(Alien-related) Adjourned because the
	Language or Dialect	wrong interpreter appeared after the
		respondent's representative provided the
		wrong language or dialect to the court.
4E	ROP Missing	Adjourned because the EOIR ROP is not
		available for the hearing.
4F	Telephonic Interpreter	Adjourned because the immigration
	Unavailable	judge was unable to obtain an
		unscheduled telephonic interpreter
*05	Alien to File for Asylum	Adjourned to allow the alien to file an
		asylum application with the immigration
		court.

## **Adjournment Codes with Definitions**

5A	Hearing Advanced by Motion	Adjourned because an earlier hearing has been scheduled following a motion.
5B	Late Filed Evidence (Alien)	Adjourned because the court accepted late-filed evidence from the respondent and needs additional time for file review.
5C	Late Filed Evidence (DHS)	Adjourned because the court accepted late-filed evidence from the government and needs additional time for file review.
*06	Alien to File Other Application	Adjourned to allow the alien to file an asylum application with the immigration court.
*7A	DHS Application Process - Alien Initiated	Adjourned to allow the adjudication of an application pending with DHS.
7B	DHS Application Process - DHS Initiated	Adjourned to allow the adjudication of an application pending with DHS.
*8A	IJ Completion Prior to Hearing	Adjourned because IJ completed case prior to the scheduled hearing.
*8B	IJ Completion at Hearing	Case was completed at the hearing.
09	Alien in DHS/Corrections	Adjourned because DHS/Corrections did
	Custody Not Presented for	not bring the detainee/inmate to a
	Hearing	scheduled hearing.
9A	Docket Management (Postpone	Hearing postponed by EOIR for docket
	Hearing)	management reasons.
9B	Docket Management (Advance	Hearing advanced by EOIR for docket
	Hearing)	management reasons.
10	Notice Sent/Served Incorrectly	Attorney and/or alien does not appear at
		the scheduled hearing due to the notice
		of hearing containing inaccurate
		information, or, alien/attorney appears
		but has not received adequate notice of
		hearing of the proceedings.
*11	Other No-Show by Alien/Alien's	Adjourned because an alien and/or his or
	Attorney or Rep.	her attorney/representative does not
		appear at a scheduled hearing for any
		reason except an incorrect notice or DHS
*10		oversight.
*12	Other Alien/Alien's	Adjourned at the request of an
	Attorney/Representative Request	alien/alien's attorney/representative for a
13	Insufficient Time to Complete	reason that is not covered in this OPPM.
13	Insufficient Time to Complete Hearing	Adjourned because the case could not be completed in the time allotted.
		Includes preparation of IJ oral decision
		(different from a "reserved decision") for
		delivery at scheduled hearing, IJ to hear
		testimony of additional witnesses, or to
		take and present a deposition.
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17	MC to IC - Merits Hearing	Adjourned from a Master Calendar to an Individual Calendar for a merits hearing, usually allowing time to file and process applications for relief before the hearing on the merits.
*21	Supplement Asylum Application	Adjourned to file additional attachments or updates to a previously filed Form I- 589.
*22	Asylum Application Withdrawn/Reset for Other Issue	Original hearing reset date was rejected and rescheduled to a later date.
*23	Asylum Application Withdrawn/Reset for Other Issue	Hearing adjourned because the Form I- 589 was withdrawn or the hearing was reset for other issues.
24	DHS Delayed Records/Fingerprint Check	Adjourned to allow DHS to complete the biometrics checks including required database and fingerprint checks.
25	To Allow for Scheduling of Priority Case	Adjourned to allow for space to set a time-sensitive case.
*26	Alien Request for an In-Person Hearing	Telephonic/televideo hearing adjourned due to a request by alien for an in-person hearing.
27	DHS Request for an In-Person Hearing	Telephonic/televideo hearing adjourned due to a request by DHS for an in- person hearing.
28	IJ Determined an In-Person Hearing is Necessary	Adjourned because IJ determined that an in-person hearing is necessary.
*30	Consolidation with Family Members	Adjourned to allow immigration court to consolidate a family under one lead A#.
31	RC to SC Merits Hearing	Adjourned from a Reasonable Cause to a Special Circumstances Merits Hearing in a continued detention review case. Occurs after a final decision by the IJ or the BIA has determined that DHS met the burden to show reasonable cause to proceed with a merits hearing.
32	Interpreter Not Ordered	Adjourned because the case requires an interpreter but none was ordered.
33	Interpreter Ordered, but FTA	Case adjourned because the ordered interpreter failed to appear.
34	IJ Leave	Adjourned because the presiding IJ is on leave.
*36	Alien Delayed Records/Fingerprint Check	Adjourned to allow alien time to complete the required paperwork for a biometrics check or an overseas investigation.

37	DHS Investigation	Adjourned to allow DHS time to
		complete investigations.
*38	Illness of Alien/Atty Rep/Witness	Adjourned due to severe and legitimate
		illness of alien, attorney or
		representative, or alien's witness.
*42	Alien Requested Forensic	Adjourned by request of alien for
	Analysis	forensic analysis.
43	DHS Forensic Analysis	Adjourned by request of DHS for
		forensic analysis.
44	Cooperating Witness/Law	Adjourned because alien is a cooperating
	Enforcement	witness or law enforcement has an
		interest in the alien.
*45	Joint Request of Both Parties	Adjourned at the request of
	-	alien/attorney/representative and
		government representative.
46	Video Malfunction	Adjourned due to malfunction of video
		equipment.
47	New Charge Filed by DHS	Adjourned because of newly filed charge
		by DHS.
48	Interpreter Appeared but	Adjourned because contract interpreter
	Disqualified	appeared but disqualified by IJ; e.g., IJ
		previously disqualified interpreter from
		all future hearings, or it is determined
		during the hearing that the interpreter is
		not interpreting correctly and IJ
		disqualifies interpreter.
50	Quarantine - Detained Cases	Adjourned because alien is quarantined
		due to outbreak of illness in detention
		facility.
*51	Contested Charges	Adjourned because charges are contested
		by alien.
*52	Jurisdiction Rests with the BIA	Adjourned due to alien filing certain
		appeals or motions causing jurisdiction
		to shift from the court to the BIA.
*54	Alien Claim to U.S. Citizenship	Adjourned because alien claims to be a
51		U.S. citizen.
59	Court Closure	Adjourned due to unscheduled court
		closure (weather, safety, environmental
		factors, a federal government shutdown).
60	EOIR Forensic Competency	Adjourned to allow a forensic
	Evaluation	competency evaluation to be conducted.
61	Appointment of Qualified	Adjourned to allow for the appointment
	Representative	of a qualified representative for the alien.
62	Judicial Competency Inquiry	Adjourned and set for a judicial
02		competency inquiry at a subsequent
		hearing.
		nearing.

63	Non-Franco Competency Inquiry	For non- <i>Franco</i> cases, adjourned and set for competency inquiry at a subsequent
		hearing.
64	IJ Reassignment	Adjourned because the IJ was reassigned due to recusal, transfer of case, separation from service, etc.
99	Data Entry Error	Hearing date entered in error and cannot be corrected. (CASE users only)

\* These codes will stop the Asylum Clock until the next hearing.

# **Call-up Codes**

Code	Description	
AB	Alien/Attorney/Representative to file brief (other than for appeal)	
AS	Alien/Attorney/Representative to file an Asylum Application - Form I-589	
CA	LPR Alien/Attorney/Representative to file application for Cancellation of	
	Removal - Section 240A(a)	
CB	Non-LPR Alien/Attorney/Representative to file application for Cancellation of	
	Removal - Section 240A(b)	
DD	Decision of the IJ is delayed due to extenuating circumstances during a	
	continued detention review hearing	
IA	Interlocutory appeal filed by DHS to appeal the denial of a motion for protective	
	order	
IB	DHS to file document(s) or brief (other than for appeal)	
MR	Pending IJ response to motion or request - motion for change of venue; motion	
	for termination; request for continuance, etc.	
OT	Alien/Attorney/Representative to file other application/document	
RC	DHS to provide records checks	
RE	Alien/Attorney/Representative to file application for Registry - Section 249	
RR	Reserved Decision	
SR	Pending State Department response to Asylum Application	
ST	Alien/Attorney/Representative to file application for Adjustment of Status -	
	Section 245	
SU	Alien/Attorney/Representative to file application for Suspension of Deportation	
	- Section 244	
WA	Alien/Attorney/Representative to file application for a waiver, e.g. Section 212(i)	

## **Case Identification Codes**

Code	Description
4M	NTA Not Filed Within 120 Days of EPRD
AD	ATD Pilot
CD	Civil Detention Hearing

EM	Electronic Monitoring
FL	Franco Litigation
PB	EOIR Pro Bono Representation
PO	Protective Order
RD	Reserved Suspension/Cancellation Decision
SR	Stipulated Removal
SX	Stipulated Removal Order - Denied

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