

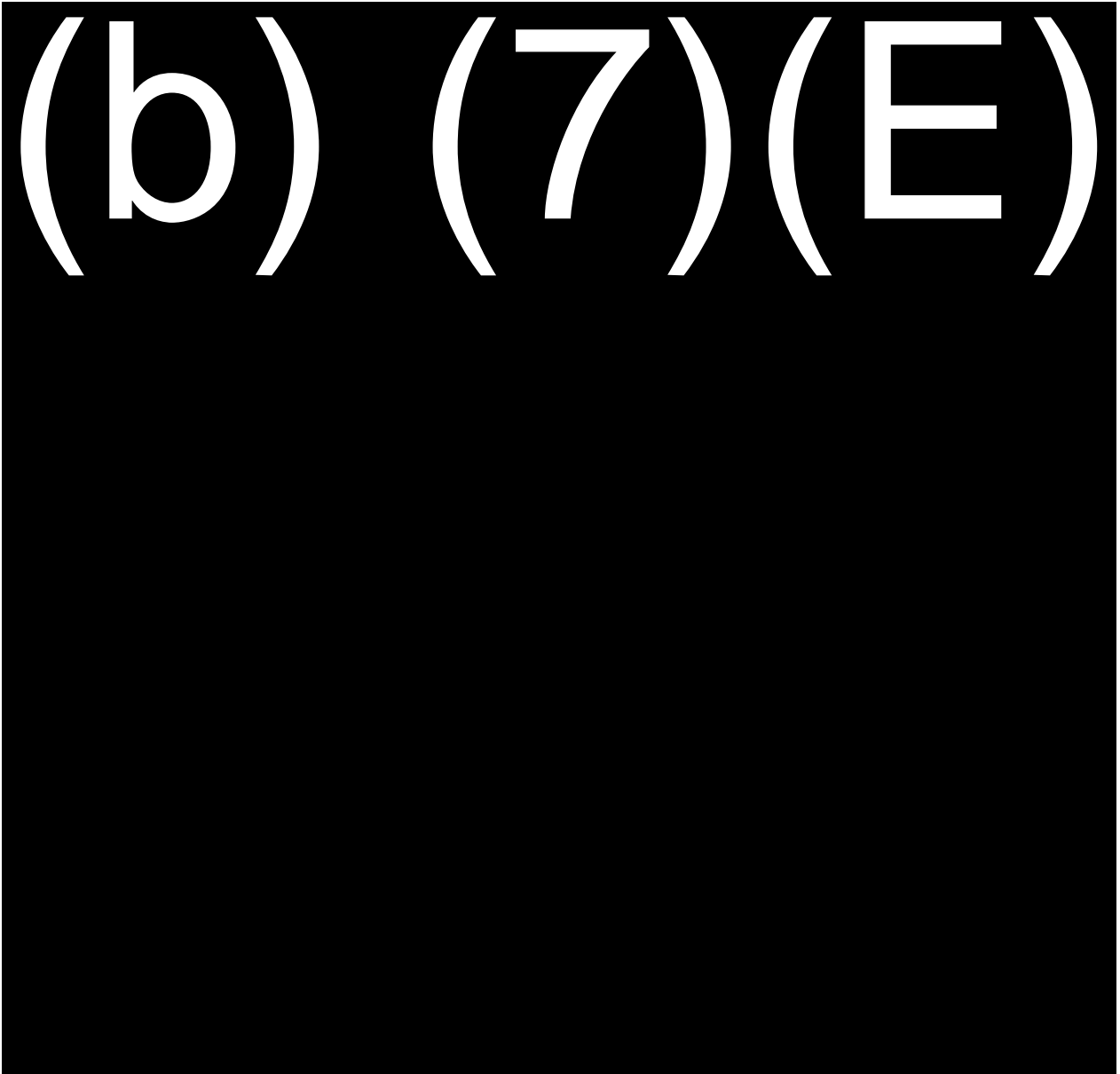
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Date: Week of May 14, 2007

Topic: Immigrant Visa Processing

Reference: Inspector's Field Manual, Chapter 14.4

Headquarters POC: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Admissibility Requirements and Migration Control



Please direct any questions or concerns regarding this muster to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Program Manager, Admissibility Requirements and Migration Control, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

May 11, 2007

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MEMORANDUM FOR: EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS, FIELD OPERATIONS
DIRECTORS, FIELD OPERATIONS
DIRECTOR, PRECLEARANCE OPERATIONS

FROM: Executive Director
Admissibility Requirements and Migration Control
Office of Field Operations

SUBJECT: Immigrant Visa Processing

In order to ensure consistent and accurate immigrant visa (IV) processing at ports of entry, the Office of Field Operations (OFO) is sending this reminder that all IV's must be processed as outlined in the Inspector's Field Manual (IFM), Chapter 14.4. The amended IFM 14.4 is attached and will be updated. (b) (7)(E)

In February 2004, the Department of State (DOS) implemented the issuance of machine-readable immigrant visas (MRIVs). Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the DOS have taken steps to secure the IV process by (b) (7)(E)

Beginning on June 28, 2004, the statement, (b) (7)(E)

In September 2004, the DOS began issuing MRIVs with an "Immigrant Data Summary" sheet. The summary sheet includes a digitized photograph of the immigrant, an admission stamp block and the data necessary for the creation of the Form I-551. Accordingly, MRIVs will be processed as follows:

Review the Immigrant Visa Packet

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Endorse the Immigrant Visa Packet

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Issue Temporary Evidence of Permanent Residence Status

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Check the Photographs

(b) (7)(E)

Capture the Alien's Biometrics

(b) (7)(E)

Complete the Mandatory Data Entry Fields on Form I-89

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Transmittal of Immigrant Visa Package to the Service Center

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Please ensure that this guidance and attached muster topic are disseminated to all ports of entry in your jurisdiction and that supervisors brief this issue. Supervisors are required to ensure that CBP retains all immigrant visa packages upon arrival and mails them to the appropriate Service Center for processing. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Immigration Policy, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) or (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Admissibility Requirements and Migration Control, at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Attachments