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INS Issues Employment Authorization Documents For Hondurans and Nicaraguans Who Have Re-registered For Temporary Protected Status

WASHINGTON – The Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) today announced it has completed processing renewal Employment Authorization Documents (EADs) for more than 70,000 Hondurans and Nicaraguans who have re-registered for Temporary Protected Status. These Hondurans and Nicaraguans should receive their renewal EAD cards by December 5, 2000. The renewal EADs will be valid until July 5, 2001, which is when the current extension of TPS for Honduras and Nicaragua is set to expire.

Hondurans and Nicaraguans who have re-registered for TPS but who have not received a renewal EAD from INS by December 5, 2000, and believe they should have received a renewal EAD, are encouraged to contact the INS National Customer Service Center at its toll free number —(800) 375-5283—Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

INS advises employers with questions and concerns regarding EADs and the employment eligibility verification process (Form I-9 process) to contact the INS Office of Business Liaison Employer information number at 1-800-357-2099.

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