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Public Notice

USCIS Announces the Closing of Agency Offices on January 2, 2007

Action Follows Designation of a National Day of Mourning Honoring President Ford

WASHINGTON – U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) announced today that agency offices will be closed on Tuesday, January 2, 2007. All appointments and interviews originally scheduled for Tuesday are postponed. USCIS will reschedule those appointments and notify customers of the new appointment schedule.

Customers with an INFOPASS appointment are reminded that USCIS cannot reschedule for them. The customer will need to use INFOPASS to schedule a new appointment at a time that is convenient. INFOPASS is available from the home page of the USCIS website at www.uscis.gov.

USCIS' announcement follows yesterday's proclamation by President Bush marking January 2, 2007 as a <u>National Day of Mourning</u> allowing the Nation to pay respects following the death of President Gerald R. Ford, 38th President of the United States.

More information about this announcement is available by calling USCIS <u>National Customer Service</u> <u>Center</u> toll-free at (800) 375-5283.

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On March 1, 2003, U.S Citizenship and Immigration Services became one of three legacy INS components to join the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. USCIS is charged with fundamentally transforming and improving the delivery of immigration and citizenship services, while enhancing the integrity of our nation's security.