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## Interoffice Memorandum

To: Regional Directors  
Service Center Directors  
District Directors  
National Benefits Center Director

From: William R. Yates /S/  
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Operations

Date: June 30, 2005

Re: Expansion of the use of Form I-512L, Authorization for Parole of an Alien into the United States, to include all advance paroles issued by the National Benefits Center and the Service Centers.

### 1. Purpose

This memorandum provides guidance on the use of Form I-512L, Authorization for Parole of an Alien into the United States, by the National Benefits Center (NBC) and the service centers.

### 2. Background

In November 2001, secure Form I-512L was introduced to deter counterfeiting and/or altering advance parole documents. Currently, NBC and the service centers issue Form I-512L to applicants filing for permanent resident status under the Legal Immigration Family Equity (LIFE) Act and to employment-based applicants for adjustment of status.

### 3. Field Guidance

Effective immediately, the National Benefits Center (NBC) and the service centers are directed to issue all authorized advance parole documents using secure Form I-512L. District offices and overseas offices are still authorized to issue Form I-512, Authorization of an Alien into the United States, because of technology restrictions at these offices. The United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will continue to pursue avenues to produce secure advance parole documents at all USCIS offices, including district offices and overseas offices.

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#### **4. Contact Information**

Operational questions regarding the guidance provided in this memorandum should be directed through appropriate channels to Deanna L. Garner, Service Center Operations, or Rosalina Lacot, Field Services Operations.