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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO: All Assistant Chief Immigration Judges  
All Immigration Judges  
All Management Officers**

**FROM: The Office of the Chief Immigration Judge**

**SUBJECT: Operating Policies and Procedures Memorandum 94-6:  
Continuances**

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This Operating Policies and Procedures Memorandum (OPPM) is published pursuant to recommendations issued in a report by the Office of the Inspector General dated May, 1994.

This OPPM is not intended to limit the discretion of an Immigration Judge. Rather, it is intended to assist the Office of the Chief Immigration Judge in identifying those circumstances which necessitate granting more than two continuances for the purpose of obtaining legal representation.

Effective on the date of this OPPM, absent good cause shown, no more than two continuances should be granted by an Immigration Judge to an alien for the purpose of obtaining legal representation. Immigration Judges will enter on the Immigration Judge Worksheet the circumstance(s) that resulted in the granting of more than two continuances to an alien for the purpose of obtaining legal representation.

  
Michael J. Creppy  
Chief Immigration Judge