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9 FAM 42.43 SUSPENSION OR TERMINATION OF ACTION IN PETITION CASES

Changes

1. This Change Transmittal issues updates to **9 FAM 42.43 Regs/ Statutes**. Instead of the link only to 22 CFR 42.43, Suspension or termination of action in petition cases, and 8 CFR 205.1, Automatic Revocation, they were expanded to view the entire regulations. Since over 50 percent of this subchapter was updated, it will not contain *italic* and *dark magenta*.
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