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9 FAM APPENDIX F, 100 MAINTAINING ISSUED AND REFUSED VISA FILES

Changes

- 1. **9 FAM Appendix F, 103.2, Document Scanning Requirements**: **NOTE**: If the applicant submitted an online application, either Form DS-160, Online Application for Nonimmigrant Visa, or Form DS-260, Online Application for Immigrant Visa and Alien Registration, the CAT I refusal case will not contain a copy of any application form.
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