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9 FAM 41.57 NOTES

Changes

1. This Change Transmittal issues updates to **9 FAM 41.57 Notes.** Much of the material was reorganized in this subchapter. In addition, minor edits to language and references were made as part of CA/VO's annual 9 FAM review process.

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