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## 9 FAM 41.31 NOTES

### Changes

1. This Change Transmittal issues changes to 9 FAM 41.31 Notes. This issuance adds the following paragraph to section N14.1-2, along with other minor language changes:

*B status is not appropriate if the fiancé(e) intends to remain in the United States after admission and adjust status to immigrant status, or intends to abandon the residence abroad after marrying and change to a non-immigrant status that does not require such a residence (adjust status means to apply for immigrant status while changing status means to apply for a different non-immigrant status).*

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