

**9 FAM 42.32(d)(10)  
FOURTH PREFERENCE--SPECIAL  
IMMIGRANTS--CERTAIN SPECIAL  
IMMIGRANT TRANSLATORS**

*(CT:VISA-963; 06-06-2008)  
(Office of Origin: CA/VO/L/R)*

**9 FAM 42.32(d)(10) RELATED STATUTORY  
PROVISIONS**

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Section 1059 of Public Law 109-163, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006, as amended by section 3812(b) of Public Law 110-28 and section 699J of Division J of Public Law 110-161, authorizes special immigrant status for nationals of Iraq or Afghanistan serving as translators or interpreters with the United States Armed Forces or under Chief of Mission (COM) authority ("special immigrant translator or interpreter status"). Section 2 of Public Law 110-242 provides that the Secretary of State or the Secretary of Homeland Security may convert an approved petition for special immigrant status under section 1059 with respect to which a visa is not immediately available to a petition for special immigrant status under section 1244 of Public Law 110-181, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008.