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9 FAM 42.32(d)(3) PANAMA CANAL EMPLOYEES

9 FAM 42.32(d)(4) FOURTH PREFERENCE SPECIAL IMMIGRANTS- SPOUSE AND CHILDREN OF CERTAIN PHYSICIANS

9 FAM 42.43 EXHIBIT I 8 CFR 205

Changes

1. This Change Transmittal issues updates to **9 FAM 42.32(d)(3) Regs/Statutes**, **9 FAM 42.32(d)(4) Regs/Statutes**, and **9 FAM 42.43 Exhibit I**.

9 FAM 42.32(d)(3) Regs/Statutes the word “or” was added to page 1.

9 FAM 42.32(d)(4) Regs/Statutes replaced “Foreign Medical Graduates” in the title page with “Physicians”.

Throughout **9 FAM 42.43 Exhibit I** certain titles were changed to bold font styles. New text was added to section (a)(3)(i)(C) for clarification to “upon the death of the petitioner”. Also, abbreviated words were spelled out

2. **Change Transmittal** has replaced the term, Transmittal Letter. Change

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