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## 9 FAM 41.55 NOTES

### 9 FAM 41.55 PROCEDURAL NOTES

#### Changes

1. This Change Transmittal issues updates to **9 FAM 41.55 Notes**.  
Sections N3 and N4 were substantially rewritten.  
Section N2.1 was also rewritten to improve clarity.  
Minor plain language and clarifying changes were made throughout.  
This Change Transmittal removes 9 FAM 41.55 Procedural Notes.
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