Plan of Action Checklist for Comprehensive Immigration Reform Advocacy

What will YOU do to advocate for comprehensive immigration reform? Choose from the actions below, check the corresponding boxes, and sign the action pledge.

	Submit op-eds to local and national papers. Refer to the model op-ed in the CIR Issue Packet and add your own examples. Use the Contact Congress feature on AILA.org to find contact information for media outlets.
	Contact your local papers or radio stations with stories about individuals whose only avenue for relief is reform.
	Set up meetings with your Members of Congress. Challenge Members in your Chapter to do the same.
	Set up meetings between your clients and Members of Congress.
	Have your clients call Members of Congress or sign on to letters in support of comprehensive immigration reform. Add a "Contact Congress" box to your website (see the *Web Stickers* link on the main Contact Congress page).
	Encourage your clients to put their name(s) on op-eds that you draft.
	Participate in the New American Opportunity Campaign (NAOC) Lobby Day in Washington, DC, on September 21. Visit www.cirnow.org to find out about NAOC events in Wisconsin, Illinois, Tennessee, and other states around the country.
	Participate in our National Call-In Day on September 21. Call your Senators and Representative using the U.S. Capitol switchboard at 202-224-3121 and urge them to support the Secure America and Orderly Immigration Act.
	Reach out to your political contacts and tell them why the Secure America and Orderly Immigration Act is a realistic solution to a complex problem.
	Contact local advocacy groups working on the issue to see how you can work together. (See www.cirnow.org/content/en/about_naoc.htm for a list of organizations working on comprehensive immigration reform.)
	Form coalitions with local branches of national organizations committed to comprehensive immigration reform. For a list of such organizations, see http://www.ewic.org/Membershiplist.asp.
	Other actions I will take:

I, _____, pledge to take the actions checked above
(print name here)
in support of comprehensive immigration reform.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

E-mail address: _____