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General Instructions.		
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	The reasons why you may request further action are listed in the next column. Check the box in <b>Part 2</b> of Form I-824 that applies to your request.	The reasons why you may request further action are listed in the next column. Check the box in <b>Part 2</b> of Form I-824 that applies to your request.
	1. If you are requesting:	1. If you are requesting:
	A. A duplicate approval notice. Check Box A.	A. A duplicate approval notice. Check Box A.
	NOTE: The duplicate notice will contain only the information listed on the original Form I-797, Notice of Action. A replacement employment card, Form I-94 or any other USCIS authorization document will not accompany the duplicate approval notice.	NOTE: The duplicate approval notice will contain only the information listed on the original Form I-797, Notice of Action. A replacement employment authorization card, Form I-94, permanent resident card, or any other USCIS authorization document will not accompany the duplicate approval notice. A request for replacement of employment authorization card may be filed on Form I-765. A request for replacement of Form I-94 may be filed on Form I-102. A request for replacement of permanent resident card may be filed on Form I-90. Refer to the respective form
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- B. USCIS to notify a different U.S.
  Consulate or Port-of-Entry
  concerning the approval of an
  application or petition. Check Box B.
  If approved, USCIS will cable
  information regarding the approval of
  your application or petition to a
  different consulate or Port-of-Entry
  than originally requested.
- **B.** USCIS to notify a new U.S. Consulate through the U.S. Department of State's National Visa Center (NVC) or Kentucky Consular Center (KCC) concerning the approval of a nonimmigrant visa petition or to notify a new Port-of-Entry concerning the approval of a waiver application. Check Box B. If approved, USCIS will send information regarding the approval of your nonimmigrant visa petition to a new U.S. Consulate through the NVC or the KCC, or the approval of your waiver application to a new Port-of-Entry different from that originally requested.

- C. USCIS to notify a U.S. Consulate that your status has been adjusted to permanent resident. Check Box C. This is to request USCIS to notify a specific U.S. Consulate that your status has been adjusted to that of a lawful permanent resident so that
- **NOTE:** This notification is not available for E or R visa approval notification.
- C. USCIS to notify a U.S. Consulate through the U.S. Department of State's National Visa Center that your status has been adjusted to permanent resident based on an approved I-485 application.

  Check Box C. This is to request

your spouse and/or child(ren) may apply for an immigrant visa. This notification is available only on following-to-join immigrant relative visas based on a principal's employment, fiancé(e) or diversity status.

USCIS to notify a U.S. Consulate through the NVC that your status has been adjusted to that of a lawful permanent resident based on an approved I-485 application so that your spouse and/or child(ren) may apply for an immigrant visa.

**Note:** This notification is not available if you have been issued an immigrant visa at a U.S. Embassy or Consulate and have been admitted to the United States as a lawful permanent resident. You may contact the NVC for information on how to request following-to-join benefits for your dependent(s). You may direct your inquiry by sending an e-mail to NVCInquiry@state.gov or by writing to the National Visa Center, ATTN: WC, 32 Rochester Avenue, Portsmouth, NH 03801-2909. This notification is also not available if you have been admitted to the United States as a refugee or were granted status in the United States as an asylee. Please refer to the instructions on Form I-730, Refugee/Asylee Relative Petition, for specific information on following-to-join benefits for your

- D. USCIS to send your approved immigrant visa to the U.S.
  Department of State's National Visa Center (NVC). Check Box D. This is to request USCIS to send your approved immigrant visa to the U.S. Department of State through the NVC.
- E. USCIS to notify the U.S. Department of State of your U.S. citizenship status. Check Box E. This is to request USCIS to notify the U.S. Department of State that you have become a U.S. citizen through naturalization.

**NOTE:** You may also notify the U.S. Department of State of your status as a U.S. citizen by submitting a copy of your naturalization certificate to the National Visa Center, 32 Rochester Avenue, Portsmouth, NH 03801-2909.

2. You may not file this form to request:

- spouse and/or unmarried child(ren) under 21 years of age.
- D. USCIS to send your approved immigrant visa petition to the U.S. Department of State's National Visa Center (NVC). Check Box
  D. This is to request USCIS to send your approved immigrant visa petition to the U.S. Department of State through the NVC.
- E. USCIS to notify the U.S. Department of State of your U.S. citizenship status. Check Box E. This is to request USCIS to notify the U.S. Department of State that you have become a U.S. citizen through naturalization.

**NOTE:** You may also notify the U.S. Department of State of your status as a U.S. citizen by submitting a copy of your naturalization certificate, without fee, to the National Visa Center, ATTN: WC, 32 Rochester Avenue, Portsmouth, NH 03801-2909.

2. You may not file this form to request:

	<ul><li>A. A duplicate notice for an application or petition that is pending or has been denied; or</li><li>C. USCIS to cable information to the</li></ul>	<ul><li>A. A duplicate approval notice for an application or petition that is pending or has been denied; or</li><li>C. USCIS to send information to the</li></ul>
Page 2	U.S. Consulate regarding the approval of your expired nonimmigrant application or petition; or	U.S. Department of State regarding the approval of your expired nonimmigrant application or petition; or
	D. USCIS to cable information to the U.S. Consulate regarding an employment based application or petition if your employment for the original petitioner has ended; or	D. USCIS to send information to the U.S. Department of State regarding an employment based application or petition if your employment for the original petitioner has ended; or
	E. USCIS to notify a U.S. Consulate of the approval of a Form I-600A, Application for Advanced Processing of Orphan Petition, and/or a Form I-600, Petition to Classify Orphan as an Immediate Relative.	E. USCIS to notify the U.S. Department of State of the approval of a Form I-600A, Application for Advanced Processing of Orphan Petition, and/or a Form I-600, Petition to Classify Orphan as an Immediate Relative, as well as the approval of a Form I-800, Petition to Classify Convention Adoptee as an Immediate Relative, and/or a Form I-800A, Application for Determination of Suitability to Adopt a Child from a Convention Country.

Part 1. Information about you.  [Add this new section between "Part 1. Information about you." and "1. Family Name (Last Name)"  1. Family Name (Last name) — Give your legal name. If you have two last names, include both and use a hyphen (-) between the names, if appropriate.  1. If appropriate.  Part 1. Information about you. (Person filing this application)  [Add]  A. If you are requesting category A or B in Part 2 of the application must be completed and signed by the petitioner or the application.  B. If you are requesting category C in Part 2 of the application must be completed and signed by the principal applicant of the I-485 application.  C. If you are requesting category D or E in Part 2 of the application form, the application must be completed and signed by the principal applicant of the I-485 application.

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Part 2. Reason for request (check one):	Part 2. Reason for request (check one):	Part 2. Reason for request (check one):
	I am requesting: (Check one box.)	I am requesting: (Check one box.)
	<ul> <li>A. □ A duplicate approval notice.</li> <li>B. □ USCIS to notify a different U.S. Consulate or Port-of-Entry about the approval of an application or petition. Please notify the U.S. Consulate or Port-of-Entry at:</li> <li>C. □ USCIS to notify a U.S.Consulate that my status has been adjusted to permanent resident. Please notify the U.S. Consulate at:</li> <li>D. □ USCIS to send my approved immigrant visa to the National Visa Center (NVC).</li> <li>E. □ USCIS to notify the U.S. Department of State of my U.S. citizenship status.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>A. □ A duplicate approval notice.</li> <li>B. □ USCIS to notify a new U.S. Consulate, different from that originally requested, through the U.S. Department of State's National Visa Center or Kentucky Consular Center about the approval of a nonimmigrant visa petition or to notify a new Port-of-Entry, different from that originally requested, about the approval of a waiver application. Please notify the U.S. Consulate or Port-of-Entry at:</li> <li>C. □ USCIS to notify a U.S.Consulate through the National Visa Center that my status has been adjusted to permanent resident based on an approved I-485 application. Please notify the U.S. Consulate at:</li> <li>D. □ USCIS to send my approved immigrant visa petition to the National Visa Center (NVC).</li> <li>E. □ USCIS to notify the U.S.</li> </ul>
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## <u>Justification for the form revisions</u>

The revisions to the Form I-824 and its instructions are necessary in order to reflect recent processing regarding the means by which USCIS notifies the U.S. Department of State of immigrant visa petition approvals and to revise outdated information. The revisions are also necessary to ensure proper adjudication of the application and to better guide the applicant in completing the form.