What Is the Purpose of This Form?

This petition is used to classify an alien as:

- 1. An Amerasian;
- 2. A Widow or Widower;
- **3.** A Battered or Abused Spouse or Child of a U.S. Citizen or Lawful Permanent Resident; or
- 4. A special immigrant defined as one of the following:
 - A. Religious Worker;
 - **B.** Panama Canal Company Employee, Canal Zone Government Employee, U.S. Government in the Canal Zone Employee;
 - C. Physician;
 - **D.** International Organization Employee or Family Member;
 - E. Juvenile Court Dependent;
 - **F.** Armed Forces Member;
 - **G.** Afghanistan or Iraq national who supported the U.S. Armed Forces as a translator;
 - **H.** Iraq national who worked for or on behalf of the U.S. Government in Iraq; or
 - I. Afghan national who worked for or on behalf of the U.S. Government in Afghanistan.

Who May File Form I-360?

Amerasian

Any person who is 18 years of age or older, including the alien, or a U.S. corporation may file this petition for a beneficiary who was born in Korea, Vietnam, Laos, Kampuchea, or Thailand after December 31, 1950, and before October 22, 1982, and was fathered by a U.S. citizen.

The petition must be filed with:

1. Copies of evidence showing that the person who is subject of this petition was born in one of the above countries between those dates.

If he or she was born in Vietnam, you must also submit a copy of his or her Vietnamese identification card, or an affidavit explaining why it is not available;

- 2. Copies of evidence establishing the parentage of the person, and that the biological father was a U.S. citizen. Examples of documents that may be submitted are: birth or baptismal records or other religious documents; local civil records; an affidavit, correspondence, or evidence of financial support from the father; photographs of the father (especially with the child); or, absent other documents, affidavits from knowledgeable witnesses that detail the parentage of the child and how they know such facts;
- 3. Photograph of the person; and
- **4.** If the person is married, a copy of the marriage certificate and proof of the termination of any prior marriages.

The sponsorship documents noted below are also required. You may file these documents with the petition or wait until USCIS reviews the petition and requests them. However, not filing them with the petition will add to the overall processing time.

- 1. Form I-361, Affidavit of Financial Support and Intent to Petition for Legal Custody of Public Law 97-359 Amerasian, executed by the sponsor with the evidence of financial ability required by that form. Note that the original sponsor remains financially responsible for the Amerasian if any subsequent sponsor fails in this area;
- **2.** Copies of evidence showing that the sponsor is at least 21 years old and is a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.

Widow/Widower of a U.S. Citizen

You may file this petition for yourself if:

- **1.** You were married to a U.S. citizen who is now deceased and who was a U.S. citizen at the time of death.
- **2.** Your citizen spouse died less than 2 years before the date on which you file this petition.

NOTE: If your spouse died before October 28, 2009, you may still file this petition if you do so no later than October 28, 2011.

NOTE: If your citizen spouse filed a Form I-130 for you before your citizen spouse died, you do not need to file this petition. Under 8 CFR 204.2(i)(1)(iv), your citizen spouse's Form I-130 was converted to a widow(er)'s Form I-360 when your citizen spouse died.

- **3.** You were not legally separated from your citizen spouse at the time of death; and
- 4. You have not remarried.

The petition must be filed with:

- 1. A copy of your marriage certificate to the U.S. citizen and proof of termination of any prior marriages of either of you;
- 2. Copies of evidence that your spouse was a U.S. citizen, such as a birth certificate if born in the United States, Naturalization Certificate or Certificate of Citizenship issued by USCIS; Form FS-240, Report of Birth Abroad of a Citizen of the United States; or a U.S. passport that was valid at the time of the citizen's death; and
- 3. A copy of the death certificate of your U.S. citizen spouse.

Special Immigrant Juvenile

Any person, including the alien, may file this petition for an alien who:

- 1. Is present in the United States;
- 2. Is unmarried and less than 21 years of age;
- **3.** Has been declared dependent upon a juvenile court in the United States, or who such a court has legally committed to or placed under the custody of an agency or department of a State, or an individual or entity appointed by a State or juvenile court;
- **4.** Has been the subject of a determination by a juvenile court in the United States that reunification with one or both of the juvenile's parents is not viable due to abuse, neglect, abandonment, or a similar basis under State law; and
- **5.** Has been the subject of administrative or judicial proceedings that determined that it would not be in the juvenile's best interest to be returned to the juvenile's or his or her parent's country of nationality or last habitual residence.

The petition must be filed with:

- 1. Copy of the juvenile's birth certificate or other evidence of his or her age; and
- **2.** Copies of the court or administrative document(s) upon which the claim to eligibility is based.

NOTE: After a special immigrant juvenile becomes a permanent resident, his or her parent(s) may not receive any immigration benefit based on the relationship to the juvenile.

Special Immigrant Religious Worker

A U.S. employer or an alien may file this petition for an alien who seeks to enter the United States to be employed full time by a bona fide nonprofit religious organization in the United States (or a bona fide organization that is affiliated with the religious denomination in the United States) to work:

- 1. Solely as a minister of that religious denomination;
- **2.** In a religious vocation either in a professional or nonprofessional capacity; or
- **3.** In a religious occupation either in a professional or nonprofessional capacity.

To qualify, the alien must:

- 1. Have been a member of a religious denomination that has a bona fide nonprofit religious organization in the United States for at least the 2 years immediately preceding the filing of the petition; and
- 2. Have been working in one of the positions described above, either abroad or in lawful immigration status in the United States, and after the age of 14 years continuously for at least 2 years immediately preceding the filing of the petition.

NOTE: All religious workers, other than ministers, immigrating to the United States as special immigrant religious workers must immigrate or adjust to permanent resident status before the established sunset date. Statutory amendments may extend this date. USCIS will provide information on its Web site at <u>www.uscis.gov</u> if the date is extended.

The petition must be filed with:

- 1. Evidence relating to the petitioning organization:
 - **A.** Currently valid determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) establishing that the organization is a tax exempt organization; or
 - **B.** For a religious organization that is recognized as tax exempt under a group tax exemption, a currently valid determination letter from the IRS establishing that the group is tax-exempt; or
 - **C.** For a bona fide organization that is affiliated with the religious denomination, if the organization was granted tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) of 1986, or subsequent amendment or equivalent sections of prior enactments of the IRC, as something other than a religious organization:

- **i.** Currently valid determination letter from the IRS establishing that the organization is a tax-exempt organization;
- **ii.** Documentation that establishes the religious nature and purpose of the organization, such as a copy of the organizing instrument that specifies the purposes of the organization;
- **iii.** Organizational literature, such as books, articles, brochures, calendars, flyers, and other literature describing the religious purpose and nature of the activities of the organization; and
- **iv.** Religious Denomination Certification (part of Form I-360) completed, signed, and dated by the religious organization certifying that the petitioning organization is affiliated with the religious denomination.
- **2.** Employer Attestation (part of Form I-360) completed, signed, and dated by an authorized official of the prospective employer of an alien seeking religious worker status;
- **3.** Verifiable evidence of how the prospective employer intends to compensate the alien, including salaried or non-salaried compensation;
- **4.** Evidence that the alien has been a member of the religious denomination during at least the 2 years immediately preceding the petition;
- **5.** Evidence to establish that the alien has been working in one of the positions listed above, either abroad or in lawful immigration status in the United States, and after the age of 14 years continuously for at least the 2 years immediately preceding the petition; and
- **6.** Evidence to establish the alien is qualified to perform the duties of the offered position.

Special Immigrant Based on Employment With the Panama Canal Company, Canal Zone Government, or U.S. Government in the Canal Zone

Any person may file this petition for an alien who, at the time the Panama Canal Treaty of 1977 entered into force, either:

- Was a resident in the Canal Zone and had been employed by the Panama Canal Company or Canal Zone Government for at least 1 year; or
- **2.** Was a Panamanian national and either honorably retired from U.S. Government employment in the Canal Zone with a total of 15 or more years of faithful service; or

3. Was employed for 15 years and honorably retired; or was an employee of the Panama Canal Company or Canal Zone Government, had performed faithful service for 5 years or more as an employee, and whose personal safety, or the personal safety of his or her spouse or child, is in danger as a direct result of the special nature of his or her employment and as a direct result of the Treaty.

The petition must be filed with:

- 1. A letter from the Panama Canal Company, Canal Zone Government, or U.S. Government agency employing the person in the Canal Zone, indicating the length and circumstances of employment and any retirement or termination; and
- **2.** Copies of evidence to establish any claim of danger to personal safety.

Special Immigrant Physician

Any person may file this petition for an alien who:

- **1.** Graduated from a medical school or qualified to practice medicine in a foreign state;
- 2. Was fully and permanently licensed to practice medicine in a State of the United States on January 9, 1978, and was practicing medicine in a State on that date;
- **3.** Entered the United States as an "H" or "J" nonimmigrant before January 9, 1978; and
- 4. Has been continuously present in the United States and continuously engaged in the practice or study of medicine since the date of such entry.

The petition must be filed with:

- 1. Letters from the person's employers detailing his or her employment since January 8, 1978, including the current employment; and
- **2.** Copies of relevant documents that demonstrate that the person for whom the petition is filed meets all the above criteria.

Special Immigrant International Organization Employee or Family Member

Certain long-term "G" and "N" nonimmigrant employees of a qualifying international organization entitled to enjoy privileges, exemptions, and immunities under the International Organizations Immunities Act, and certain relatives of such an employee, may be eligible to apply for classification as a Special Immigrant. To determine eligibility, contact the qualifying international organization or your local USCIS office. The petition must be filed with:

- 1. A letter from the international organization demonstrating that it is a qualifying organization and explaining the circumstances of qualifying employment and the immigration status held by the person for whom the petition is filed; and
- **2.** Copies of evidence documenting the relationship between the person for whom this petition is filed and the employee.

Armed Forces Member

You may file this petition for yourself if:

- 1. You have served honorably on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces after October 15, 1978;
- **2.** You originally lawfully enlisted outside the United States under a treaty or agreement in effect on October 1, 1991, for a period or periods that total:
 - **A.** Twelve years, and were never separated from such service except under honorable conditions; or
 - **B.** Six years, are now on active duty, and have reenlisted to incur a total active duty service obligation of at least 12 years;
- **3.** You are a national of an independent state that maintains a treaty or agreement allowing nationals of that state to enlist in the U.S. Armed Forces each year; and
- **4.** The executive department under which you have served or are serving has recommended you for this special immigrant status.

The petition must be filed with:

- 1. Certified proof, issued by the authorizing official of the executive department in which you are serving or have served, that you have the required honorable active duty service and/or commitment; and
- 2. Your birth certificate.

Afghanistan or Iraq National Supporting U.S. Armed Forces as a Translator

You may file this petition for yourself if:

- 1. You are a national of Afghanistan or Iraq;
- **2.** You worked directly with the U.S. Armed Forces as a translator for a period of at least 12 months;

- **3.** You have obtained a favorable written recommendation from a general or flag officer in the chain of command of the U.S. Armed Forces unit that you supported; and
- 4. Before filing this petition, you were cleared by a background check and screening, as determined by a general or flag officer in the chain of command of the U.S. Armed Forces unit that you supported.

The petition must be filed with:

- **1.** A copy of your passport or birth certificate showing that you are a national of Afghanistan or Iraq;
- **2.** A favorable written recommendation from a general or flag officer in the chain of command of the U.S. Armed Forces unit that you supported.

Iraq National Who Was Employed by or on Behalf of the U.S. Government in Iraq

- 1. You may file this petition for yourself if:
 - A. You are a national of Iraq;
 - **B.** You have established to the satisfaction of the Chief of Mission, Embassy Kabul, or the designee of the Chief of Mission, that you were or are employed by or on behalf of the U.S. Government in Iraq on or after October 7, 2001, for a period of not less than 1 year;
 - C. You have established to the satisfaction of the Chief of Mission, or the designee of the Chief of Mission, that you provided faithful and valuable service to the U.S. Government. Your senior supervisor must submit a recommendation to the U.S. Government or, if your senior supervisor has left the employer or left Iraq, either the person who is currently occupying that position or someone in a more senior position with the employing entity;
 - **D.** You have established to the satisfaction of the Chief of Mission, or the designee of the Chief of Mission, that you have experienced or are experiencing an ongoing serious threat as a consequence of the employment by or on behalf of the U.S. Government;
 - **E.** You have or will have cleared a background check and appropriate screening as determined by the Secretary of Homeland Security; and

- **F.** You are otherwise eligible to receive an immigrant visa and are admissible to the United States for permanent residence, excluding the grounds of inadmissibility specified in section 212(a)(4) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA).
- 2. Entitlement to status of surviving spouse or child:

You are also classifiable as a special immigrant described in section 1244 of Pub. L. 110-181 if you are the spouse or child of a principal alien who had a petition approved by USCIS, but the petition was terminated after its approval due to the death of the principal alien.

- **3.** The petition must be filed with:
 - **A.** Copy of your passport, birth certificate, or national identification card showing that you are a national of Iraq. If the document is in a foreign language, a certified English translation must be provided;
 - **B.** A positive recommendation from your senior supervisor or the person currently occupying that position, or a more senior person if your senior supervisor has left the employer or has left Iraq, confirming employment of not less than 1 year on or after March 20, 2003;
 - **C.** Proof of risk assessment conducted by the Chief of Mission, or the designee of the Chief of Mission;
 - **D.** Proof of independent review conducted by the Chief of Mission, or the designee of the Chief of Mission, of records maintained by the U.S. Government or hiring organization or entity to confirm employment and faithful and valuable service to the U.S. Government; and
 - **E.** If you are physically present in the United States, a copy of the front and back of your Form I-94, Arrival-Departure Record.

Afghan National Who Was Employed by or on Behalf of the U.S. Government in Afghanistan

- 1. You may file this petition for yourself if the appropriate Chief of Mission or the designee of the appropriate Chief of Mission has approved your filing of this petition and you:
 - A. Are a national of Afghanistan;
 - **B.** Were or are employed by or on behalf of the U.S. Government in Afghanistan on or after October 7, 2001, for a period not less than 1 year;

- **C.** Have provided faithful and valuable service to the U.S. Government. Your senior supervisor must submit a recommendation to the U.S. Government or, if your senior supervisor has left the employer or left Afghanistan, either the person who is currently occupying that position or someone in a more senior position with the employing entity;
- **D.** Have experienced or are experiencing an ongoing serious threat as a consequence of the employment by or on behalf of the U.S. Government;
- **E.** Have or will have cleared a background check and appropriate screening as determined by the Secretary of Homeland Security; and
- **F.** Are otherwise eligible to receive an immigrant visa and are admissible to the United States for permanent residence, excluding the grounds of inadmissibility specified in section 212(a)(4) (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(4)) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA).
- **2.** Entitlement to apply for status of a surviving spouse or child:

You are also classifiable as a special immigrant described in Section 602(b) of Pub. L. 111-8 if you are the spouse or child of a principal alien who had a petition approved by USCIS, but the petition was terminated after its approval due to the death of the principal alien.

- **3.** The petition must be filed with:
 - **A.** A copy of your passport, birth certificate, or national identification card showing that you are a national of Afghanistan. If the document is in a foreign language, a certified English translation must be provided;
 - **B.** A positive recommendation from your senior supervisor or the person currently occupying that position, or a more senior person if your senior supervisor has left the employer or has left Afghanistan, confirming employment of not less than 1 year on or after October 7, 2001;
 - **C.** Approval of your submission of this petition from the appropriate Chief of Mission or designee of the appropriate Chief of Mission;
 - **D.** Proof of risk assessment conducted by the Chief of Mission, or the designee of the Chief of Mission;
 - **E.** Proof of independent review conducted by the Chief of Mission, or the designee of the Chief of Mission, of records maintained by the U.S. Government or hiring organization or entity to confirm employment and faithful and valuable service to the U.S. Government; and

F. If you are physically present in the United States, a copy of the front and back of your Form I-94, Arrival-Departure Record.

Self-Petitioning Battered or Abused Spouse or Child of a U.S. Citizen or Lawful Permanent Resident

You may self-petition for immediate relative or familysponsored immigrant classification if you:

- **1.** Are now the spouse or child of an abusive U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident;
- **2.** Are eligible for immigrant classification based on that relationship;
- **3.** Are now residing in the United States or have resided in the United States with the U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident abuser in the past;
- **4.** Have been battered by or have been the subject of extreme cruelty perpetrated by:
 - A. Your U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident spouse during the marriage, or are the parent of a child who has been battered by or has been the subject of extreme cruelty perpetrated by your abusive citizen or lawful permanent resident spouse during your marriage;
 - **B.** Your citizen or lawful permanent resident parent while residing with that parent;
- 5. Are a person of good moral character;
- **6.** Are a person whose removal or deportation would result in extreme hardship to yourself, or to your child if you are a spouse; and
- 7. Are a spouse, and entered into the marriage to the U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident abuser in good faith.

NOTE: Divorce or other legal termination of the marriage to the abuser **after** the self-petition is properly filed with USCIS will not be the sole basis for denial or revocation of an approved self-petition. After the approval of the self-petition by USCIS, remarriage is permitted and will **NOT** affect eligibility to become a lawful permanent resident or be grounds for revocation of the approved self-petition.

Your self-petition may be filed with any credible relevant evidence of eligibility. The determination of what evidence is credible and the weight to be given that evidence is within the sole discretion of USCIS; therefore, you are encouraged to provide the following documentation:

- **1.** Evidence of the abuser's U.S. citizenship or lawful permanent resident status;
- **2.** Marriage and divorce decrees, birth certificates, or other evidence of your legal relationship to the abuser;
- **3.** One or more documents showing that you and the abuser have resided together in the United States in the past, such as employment records, utility receipts, school records, hospital or medical records, birth certificates of children, mortgages, rental records, insurance policies, or affidavits;
- **4.** One or more documents showing that you are now residing in the United States, such as the documents listed above;
- **5.** Evidence of the abuse, such as reports and affidavits from police, judges and other court officials, medical personnel, school officials, clergy, social workers, and other social service agency personnel. If you have an order of protection, or have taken other legal steps to end the abuse, you should submit copies of those court documents;
- **6.** If you are more than 14 years of age, your affidavit of good moral character accompanied by a local police clearance, State-issued criminal background check, or similar report from each locality or State in the United States or abroad in which you have resided for 6 or more months during the 3-year period immediately preceding the filing of your self-petition;
- 7. Affidavits, birth certificates of children, medical reports, and other relevant credible evidence of the extreme hardship that would result if you were to be removed or deported; and
- 8. If you are a spouse, proof that one spouse has been listed as the other's spouse on insurance policies, property leases, income tax forms, or bank accounts; and testimony or other evidence regarding your courtship, wedding ceremony, shared residence, and experiences showing that your marriage was entered in good faith.

NOTE: A self-petitioning battered or abused spouse or child of a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident may submit any relevant credible evidence in place of the suggested evidence.

Public Service Information

The National Domestic Violence Hotline provides information, crisis intervention, and referrals to local service providers, including legal assistance organizations, to victims of domestic violence or anyone calling on their behalf at **1-800-799-7233** or TTY **1-800-787-3224**. The hotline services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, toll-free from anywhere in the United States, Puerto Rico, or the U.S. Virgin Islands. The staff and volunteers speak both English and Spanish and have access to translators in 139 languages.

General Instructions

Each petition must be accompanied by the appropriate filing fee.

If you are under 14 years of age, your parent or legal guardian may sign the petition on your behalf.

Evidence. You must submit all required initial evidence along with all the supporting documentation with your application at the time of filing.

Copies. Unless specifically required that an original document be filed with an application or petition, an ordinary legible photocopy may be submitted. Original documents submitted when not required will remain a part of the record, even if submission was not required.

Translations. Any document containing foreign language submitted to USCIS must be accompanied by a full English language translation which the translator has certified as complete and accurate, and by the translator's certification that he or she is competent to translate from the foreign language into English.

How to Fill Out Form I-360

- **1.** Type or print legibly in black ink.
- **2.** If extra space is needed to complete any item, attach a continuation sheet, indicate the item number, and date and sign each sheet.
- **3.** Answer all questions fully and accurately. If an item is not applicable or the answer is "none," leave the space blank.
- **4.** Every petition must be properly signed and filed. A photocopy of a signed application or a typewritten name in place of a signature is not acceptable.
- 5. Page 1, Part 1. Information About You. If you are in the United States, provide the following information. Complete all sections. Regarding the Admission/travel document provide the I-94 admission number which may have been received from U.S. Customs and Border Protection in connection with arrival and admission to the United States, or from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services if immigration status was granted within the United States. The I-94 number is on the Form I-94 Arrival-Departure Record, which may be noted as the Departure Number on some versions. If CBP did not provide a Form I-94 upon arrival/admission to the United States, a print out of the Form I-94 may be obtained

according to the instructions provided by CBP. Also, provide the date of admission and the date that the authorized stay expired or will expire.

If a passport or other travel document was used at the last admission to the United States, enter the number in the space provided even if the document is now expired. Provide the country of issuance and expiration date as well.

What Is the Filing Fee?

The filing fee for Form I-360 is **\$405**, except there is no fee if filing for an Amerasian; a Special Immigrant Juvenile; as a self-petitioning battered or abused spouse or child of a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident; an Iraqi national who worked for or on behalf of the U.S. Government in Iraq; or an Afghan national who worked for or on behalf of the U.S. Government in Afghanistan.

Use the following guidelines when you prepare your check or money order for Form I-360 fee:

- 1. The check or money order must be drawn on a bank or other financial institution located in the United States, and must be payable in U.S. currency; and
- 2. Make the check or money order payable to U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

NOTE: Spell out U.S. Department of Homeland Security; do not use the initials "USDHS" or "DHS."

Notice to Those Making Payment by Check. If you send us a check, it will be converted into an electronic funds transfer (EFT). This means we will copy your check and use the account information on it to electronically debit your account for the amount of the check. The debit from your account will usually take 24 hours and will be shown on your regular account statement.

You will not receive your original check back. We will destroy your original check, but we will keep a copy of it. If the EFT cannot be processed for technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in place of your original check. If the EFT cannot be completed because of insufficient funds, we may try to make the transfer up to two times.

How to Check If the Fees Are Correct

The fee on this form is current as of the edition date appearing in the lower right corner of this page. However, because USCIS fees change periodically, you can verify if the fees are correct by following one of the steps below:

1. Visit the USCIS Web site at <u>www.uscis.gov</u>, select "FORMS," and check the appropriate fee; or

 Telephone the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283 and ask for the fee information. For TDD (hearing impaired) call 1-800-767-1833.

Where to File?

Please see USCIS Web site at <u>www.uscis.gov</u> or call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at **1-800-375-5283** (or **1-800-767-1833** for TDD for the hearing impaired) for the most current information about where to file this benefit request.

Address Changes

If you have changed your address, you must inform USCIS of your new address. For information on filing a change of address go to the USCIS Web site at <u>www.uscis.gov/</u> addresschange or contact the USCIS National Customer Service Center at **1-800-375-5283**.

NOTE: Do not submit a change of address request to USCIS Lockbox facilities because USCIS Lockbox facilities do not process change of address requests.

Processing Information

Any Form I-360 that is not signed or accompanied by the correct fee will be rejected with a notice that Form I-360 is deficient. You may correct the deficiency and resubmit Form I-360. An application or petition is not considered properly filed until accepted by USCIS.

Initial processing. Once Form I-360 has been accepted, it will be checked for completeness, including submission of the required initial evidence. If you do not completely fill out the form, or file it without required initial evidence, you will not establish a basis for eligibility, and we may deny your petition.

Requests for more information or interview. We may request more information or evidence, or we may request that you appear at a USCIS office for an interview. We may also request that you submit the originals of any copy. We will return these originals when they are no longer required.

Decision. If you establish that the person this petition is for is eligible for the requested classification, we will approve the petition. We will send it to the U.S. Embassy or consulate for visa issuance, unless he or she is in the United States and appears eligible and intends to apply for adjustment to permanent resident status while here. If you do not establish eligibility, we will deny the petition. We will notify you in writing of our decision.

USCIS Forms and Information

You can get USCIS forms and immigration-related information on the USCIS Web site at <u>www.uscis.gov</u>. You may order USCIS forms by calling our toll-free number at **1-800-870-3676**. You may also obtain forms and information by telephoning our USCIS National Customer Service Center at **1-800-375-5283**.

As an alternative to waiting in line for assistance at your local USCIS office, you can now schedule an appointment through USCIS Intenet-based system, **InfoPass**. To access the system, visit USCIS Web site. Use the **InfoPass** appointment scheduler and follow the screen prompts to set up your appointment. **InfoPass** generates an electronic appointment notice that appears on the screen.

Penalties

If you knowingly and willfully falsify or conceal a material fact or submit a false document with your Form I-360, we will deny Form I-360 and may deny any other immigration benefit.

In addition, you will face severe penalties provided by law and may be subject to criminal prosecution.

USCIS Privacy Act Statement

AUTHORITIES: The information requested on this form, and the associated evidence, is collected under the Immigration and Nationality Act, section 101, et seq.

PURPOSE: The primary purpose for providing the requested information on this form is to determine if you have established eligibility for the immigration benefit for which you are filing. The information you provide will be used to grant or deny the benefit sought.

DISCLOSURE: The information you provide is voluntary. However, failure to provide the requested information, and any requested evidence, may delay a final decision or result in denial of your form.

ROUTINE USES: The information you provide on this form may be shared with other Federal, State, local, and foreign government agencies and authorized organizations following approved routine uses described in the associated published system of records notices [DHS-USCIS-007-Benefits Information System and DHS-USCIS-001-Alien File, Index, and National File Tracking System of Records, which can be found at <u>www.dhs.gov/privacy</u>]. The information may also be made available, as appropriate, for law enforcement purposes or in the interest of national security.

USCIS Compliance Review and Monitoring

By signing this form, you have stated under penalty of perjury (28 U.S.C.1746) that all information and documentation submitted with this form is true and correct. You also have authorized the release of any information from your records that USCIS may need to determine eligibility for the benefit you are seeking and consented to USCIS' verification of such information.

The Department of Homeland Security has the right to verify any information you submit to establish eligibility for the immigration benefit you are seeking <u>at any time</u>. Our legal right to verify this information is in 8 U.S.C. 1103, 1155, 1184, and 8 CFR parts 103, 204, 205, and 214. To ensure compliance with applicable laws and authorities, USCIS may verify information before or after your case has been decided. Agency verification methods may include but are not limited to: review of public records and information; contact via written correspondence, the Internet, facsimile or other electronic transmission, or telephone; unannounced physical site inspections of residences and places of employment; and interviews. Information obtained through verification will be used to assess your compliance with the laws and to determine your eligibility for the benefit sought.

Subject to the restrictions under 8 CFR part 103.2(b)(16), you will be provided an opportunity to address any adverse or derogatory information that may result from a USCIS compliance review, verification, or site visit after a formal decision is made on your case or after the agency has initiated an adverse action which may result in revocation or termination of an approval.

Paperwork Reduction Act

An agency may not conduct or sponsor an information collection and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated at 2 hours and 5 minutes per response, (except 3 hours and 5 minutes per response for Iraqi Nationals who were employed by or on behalf of the U. S. Government in Iraq, and 2 hours and 20 minutes per response for Religious Workers), including the time for reviewing instructions and completing and submitting the form. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Regulatory Coordination Division, Office of Policy and Strategy, 20 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20529-2020. OMB No. 1615-0020. Do not mail your completed Form I-360 to this address.