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Form I-730 Refugee/Asylee Follow-to-Join Processing

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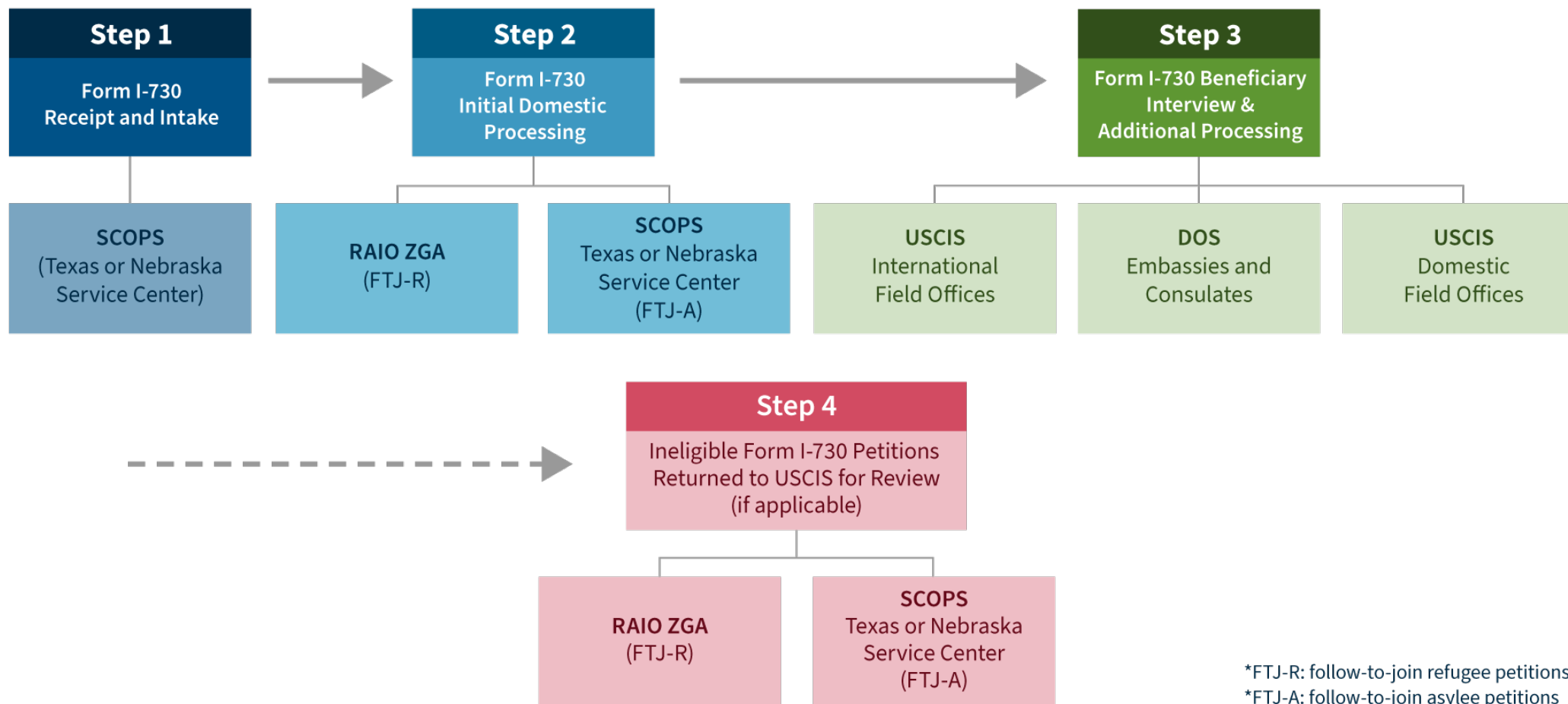
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*FTJ-R: follow-to-join refugee petitions

*FTJ-A: follow-to-join asylee petitions

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Form I-730 Processing Steps	FTJ-A Beneficiary in U.S.	FTJ-R Beneficiary in U.S.	FTJ-A Beneficiary Abroad	FTJ-R Beneficiary Abroad
1: Intake	SCOPS			
2: Initial Domestic Processing and Review of Consular Returned Cases	SCOPS/FOD	RAIO	SCOPS	RAIO
3: Interview and Additional Processing	FOD	FOD	RAIO/DOS Depending on beneficiary location	RAIO/DOS Depending on beneficiary location

SCOPS Service Center Operations Directorate
FOD Field Operations Directorate
RAIO Refugee, Asylum and International Operations Directorate
DOS Department of State
FTJ-A Follow to Join Asylee Cases
FTJ-R Follow to Join Refugee Cases



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Service Center Operations



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Nebraska Service Center

P.O. Box 87730

Lincoln, NE 68501-7730

Texas Service Center

Attn: I-730

6046 North Belt Line Road

Suite 730

Irving, TX 75038-0019

Factors involved in routing petitions:

- 1) Petitioner received refugee or asylee status.
- 2) Beneficiary's current location.

Refugee-based Form I-730 Petitions



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Refugee-based petitions:

- All overseas and domestic beneficiaries sent to RAIO after receipt and intake.



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Asylum-based Form I-730 Petitions



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Operational Challenges for Service Centers



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COVID-19 pandemic effects:

- Some staff were reassigned to other emerging priorities.
- Longer Form I-730 processing times.

Changes implemented:

- Additional Service Center staff have been assigned to work Form I-730.
- Goal is to decrease processing times in the coming months.



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Field Operations Directorate



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- Adjudicates immigration benefits and conducts interviews domestically in field offices.
- Jan. 2018 – Began interviewing domestic Form I-730 beneficiaries.

Domestic Interview Process



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Resources



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Form I-730 webpage

- uscis.gov/i-730

How to Request Reconsideration for Informal or Camp Marriages

- uscis.gov/humanitarian/refugees-and-asylum/how-to-request-reconsideration-for-informal-or-camp-marriages

Change of Address

- <https://egov.uscis.gov/coa/displayCOAForm.do>
- uscis.gov/ar-11

Conclusion



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