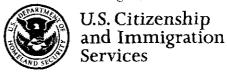
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Petitioner:

Beneficiary:

PETITION:

Petition for Alien Fiancé(e) Pursuant to § 101(a)(15)(K) of the Immigration and Nationality

Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(K)

ON BEHALF OF PETITIONER:

SELF-REPRESENTED

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

Enclosed please find the decision of the Administrative Appeals Office in your case. All of the documents related to this matter have been returned to the office that originally decided your case. Please be advised that any further inquiry that you might have concerning your case must be made to that office.

If you believe the law was inappropriately applied by us in reaching our decision, or you have additional information that you wish to have considered, you may file a motion to reconsider or a motion to reopen. The specific requirements for filing such a request can be found at 8 C.F.R. § 103.5. All motions must be submitted to the office that originally decided your case by filing a Form I-290B, Notice of Appeal or Motion. The fee for a Form I-290B is currently \$585, but will increase to \$630 on November 23, 2010. Any appeal or motion filed on or after November 23, 2010 must be filed with the \$630 fee. Please be aware that 8 C.F.R. § 103.5(a)(1)(i) requires that any motion must be filed within 30 days of the decision that the motion seeks to reconsider or reopen.

Thank you,

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Chief, Administrative Appeals Office

**DISCUSSION:** The Director, Vermont Service Center, denied the nonimmigrant visa petition. The matter is now before the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) on appeal. The appeal will be dismissed.

The petitioner is a naturalized citizen of the United States who seeks to classify the beneficiary, a native and citizen of Mexico, as the fiancé(e) of a United States citizen pursuant to section 101(a)(15)(K) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act), 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(K).

The director denied the nonimmigrant visa petition because the petitioner failed to submit any supporting documentation. On appeal, the petitioner submits a statement and the following documentation: evidence of his U.S. citizenship; evidence of the legal termination of his marriage to birth certificates and translations for himself and the beneficiary; an incomplete Form G-325A, Biographic Information, for himself; a partial copy of the beneficiary's Mexican passport; correspondence from the beneficiary; and various photographs, including passport-style color photographs for himself and the beneficiary.

A "fiancé(e)" is defined at Section 101(a)(15)(K) of the Act as, in pertinent part:

Subject to subsections (d) and (p) of section 214, an alien who -

(i) is the fiancée or fiancé of a citizen of the United States . . . and who seeks to enter the United States solely to conclude a valid marriage with the petitioner within ninety days after admission[.]

Section 214(d)(1) of the Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1184(d)(1), states in pertinent part that a fiancé(e) petition:

shall be approved only after satisfactory evidence is submitted by the petitioner to establish that the parties have previously met in person within 2 years before the date of filing the petition, have a bona fide intention to marry, and are legally able and actually willing to conclude a valid marriage in the United States within a period of ninety days after the alien's arrival, except that the Secretary of Homeland Security in [her] discretion may waive the requirement that the parties have previously met in person.

On appeal, the petitioner submits the items listed above. The petition may not be approved, however, as the record still does not contain the following required documentation: completed G-325A, Biographic Information forms for the petitioner and the beneficiary; and evidence that the petitioner and the beneficiary personally met within the two-year period immediately preceding the filing of the petition or that the petitioner qualified for a waiver of that requirement.<sup>1</sup>

The instructions to the I-129F petition at pages 2 and 3, items #5 and #6, describe the documentation that must be submitted for both the petitioner and the beneficiary. When filing the petition, the petitioner did not submit any supporting documentation, and thus the director denied the petition.

We note that, although the submitted photographs show the petitioner and the beneficiary together, they are undated and not supported by documentation showing the date(s) of their in-person meeting(s), such as copies of airline tickets or copies of the petitioner's U.S. passport showing entries and exits into the country in which he visited the beneficiary.

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On appeal, the petitioner submits the items listed above, but does not submit all of the required supporting documentation as described in the instructions to the I-129F petition. As a result, the beneficiary cannot benefit from the instant petition. Therefore, the appeal will be dismissed and the petition will be denied.

The denial of the petition is without prejudice. Should the petitioner wish to file a new I-129F Petition, he should consult the instructions to the Form I-129F to understand the specific documents that he should file along with the petition. The petitioner may download the I-129F petition with the instructions from the USCIS website at <a href="https://www.uscis.gov">www.uscis.gov</a>, or he may call the USCIS National Customer Service Center (NCSC) at 1-800-375-5283 to have the form and the instructions mailed to his home.

The burden of proof in these proceedings rests solely with the petitioner. Section 291 of the Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1361. The petitioner has not met that burden.

**ORDER**: The appeal is dismissed. The petition is denied.