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CHIEF OF MISSION WAIVER OF CERTAIN PROCESSING REQUIREMENTS

Class A referral cases may be waived of Visas Condor processing, National Security Entry/Exit Registration Systems (NSEERS) and US-VISIT registration requirements if the Ambassador, Chief of Mission (COM) or principal officer (PO) makes such a request in writing at the time the referral is submitted, a written justification for the waiver is provided on the request form, and the COM or PO confirms that a consular lookout and support system (CLASS) check and security review of the application were done.

I am submitting a Class A referral for the below applicant:

I request that the above person be exempt from the following requirements:

- NSEERS
- Visas Condor
- US-VISIT

Travelers may only be exempted from Visas Condor processing, National Security Entry/Exit Registration Systems (NSEERS) and US-VISIT registration requirements based on strict criteria. Exemptions should be rare and must be processed with supporting justification. Please provide the justification for the requested exemptions in the space below.

I certify that a CLASS check and a security review of the application have been done, and I request that the applicant have the above requirements waived.

When there is determined to be a clear USG interest, based upon the relationship between the USG and the foreign government, chiefs of mission, and only chiefs of mission, may personally decide to waive the fingerprint and interview requirement for central government officials of Vice-Ministerial rank or above who are applying for visas other than A or G, if they present diplomatic or official passports. Chiefs of mission also may, in their discretion, waive the fingerprint and interview requirements for spouses and minor children, if accompanying or following to join such officials and applying with diplomatic or official passports for the same visa classification as the principal. This waiver does not apply to official staff accompanying these officials, nor to their attendants, servants, or personal employees. Applicants will need to demonstrate that they hold the rank of vice-minister or above at the central government level. A diplomatic note from the foreign government referencing the rank of the applicant would suffice. In many instances, the rank of the applicant will be a matter of public record.

In the national interest, I request a waiver of the fingerprint and interview requirements for the following applicant:

Name _____

Rank _____

Country _____

I also request the waiver for the family members who are accompanying him/her.

Name(s): _____