

## **9 FAM APPENDIX O, 200 AUTHORITIES FOR REFUGEE ADMISSIONS**

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The Refugee Act of 1980 (8 U.S.C. 1525, Public Law No. 96-212, 201(b), 94 Statute 109, 3/17/80) is the legal basis of the refugee admissions program. See also:

- (1) Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) 101(a)(42), 101(a)(35), and 101(b)(1)(A), (B), (C), (D), or (E) (8 U.S.C. 1101), as amended, for definitions of "refugee" and derivative family members;
- (2) INA 207 (8 U.S.C. 1157), as amended, which sets forth the authority for refugee admissions and the annual process of deciding eligibility criteria;
- (3) INA 411 and 412 (8 U.S.C. 1521 and 1522), as amended, which describe the authority for the domestic resettlement of and assistance to refugees admitted to the United States;
- (4) The annual Presidential Determination pursuant to INA 207 (8 U.S.C. 1157) concerning the admission and adjustment of status of refugees for particular fiscal years. (See Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration Web site for a copy of the most recent Presidential Determination);
- (5) Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1962 (Public Law 87-510, 6/28/62, 76 Statute 121, as amended);
- (6) 8 CFR 207 and 45 CFR 400 for collateral regulations on refugee processing; and
- (7) 9 FAM Visas for guidance relevant to immigrant visa (IV) requirements that may also pertain to refugees, such as security name checks, INA 212(a) inadmissibilities, and medical examination requirements.