

*Conference.*—The Commission's Director of Operations has scheduled a conference in connection with these investigations for 9:30 a.m. on April 17, 1998, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC. Parties wishing to participate in the conference should contact Valerie Newkirk (202-205-3190) not later than April 15, 1998, to arrange for their appearance. Parties in support of the imposition of antidumping duties in these investigations and parties in opposition to the imposition of such duties will each be collectively allocated one hour within which to make an oral presentation at the conference. A nonparty who has testimony that may aid the Commission's deliberations may request permission to present a short statement at the conference.

*Written submissions.*—As provided in sections 201.8 and 207.15 of the Commission's rules, any person may submit to the Commission on or before April 22, 1998, a written brief containing information and arguments pertinent to the subject matter of the investigations. Parties may file written testimony in connection with their presentation at the conference no later than three days before the conference. If briefs or written testimony contain BPI, they must conform with the requirements of §§ 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules.

In accordance with §§ 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the rules, each document filed by a party to the investigations must be served on all other parties to the investigations (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

**Authority:** These investigations are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to § 207.12 of the Commission's rules.

By order of the Commission.

**Donna R. Koehnke,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Immigration and Naturalization Service

[INS No. 1887-97]

#### Expansion of the Direct Mail Program for the Boston, Buffalo, Newark, Philadelphia, Portland, Maine, San Juan District Offices and the Albany, Cherry Hill, Christiansted, Hartford, Pittsburgh, Providence, St. Albans and the St. Thomas Suboffices; Form N-400

**AGENCY:** Immigration and Naturalization Service, Justice.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS or Service) is expanding its Direct Mail Program to include the Boston, Buffalo, Newark, Philadelphia, Portland, Maine, and San Juan District Offices and the Albany, Cherry Hill, Christiansted, Hartford, Pittsburgh, Providence, St. Albans and St. Thomas Suboffices on the current list of direct mail sites for filing Form N-400, Application for Naturalization. Applicants residing within these Districts and Suboffices will mail their Form N-400 directly to the designated INS service center the processing. This expansion is intended to improve INS service to the public by reducing processing times for Form N-400, limiting in-person visits to local offices, and improving the quality of case status information provided to the public.

**DATES:** This notice is effective April 5, 1998, or March 30, 1998, whichever is later.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan Arroyo, Adjudications Officer, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Office of Naturalization Operations, 801 I Street NW., Room 935E, Washington, DC 20536, telephone, (202) 514-8247.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the Direct Mail Program, certain applicants and petitioners for immigration benefits mail their applications and petitions directly to an INS service center for processing instead of submitting them to a local INS office. The purposes and strategy of the Direct Mail Program have been discussed in detail in previous rulemaking and notices (see, e.g., 59 FR 33903 and 59 FR 33985).

The Service is continuing expansion of the Direct Mail Program, as applied to Form N-400, by adding the Boston, Buffalo, Newark, Philadelphia, Portland,

Maine, and San Juan District Offices and the Albany, Cherry Hill, Christiansted, Hartford, Pittsburgh, Providence, St. Albans, and St. Thomas Suboffices as Direct Mail sites.

#### Where To File

Effective April 6, 1998, or March 30, 1998, whichever is later, applicants for naturalization residing within the jurisdiction of the Boston, Buffalo, Newark, Philadelphia, Portland, Maine, and San Juan District Offices and the Albany, Cherry Hill, Christiansted, Hartford, Pittsburgh, Providence, St. Albans, and St. Thomas Suboffices must mail the Form N-400, Application for Naturalization, directly to the Vermont Service Center at the following address: USINS Vermont Service Center, Attention: N-400 Unit, 75 Lower Weldon Street, St. Albans, Vermont 05479-0001.

#### Transition

During the first 60 days following the effective date of this notice, the Boston, Buffalo, Newark, Philadelphia, Portland, Maine, and San Juan District Offices and the Albany, Cherry Hill, Christiansted, Hartford, Pittsburgh, Providence, St. Albans, and St. Thomas Suboffices will forward in a timely fashion to the Vermont Service Center any Form N-400, Application for Naturalization, which has been inadvertently filed with the respective District or Suboffice. Applicants will be provided a notice at the time of filing at the District or Suboffice advising them their application is being forwarded to the service center for initial processing. The applicant will receive written notification from his respective District or Suboffice of the date, place, and time of this interview for naturalization. When applications are forwarded from the District or Suboffices, they will be receipted and filed when they arrive at the service center. After the 60-day transition period, applicants attempting to file Form N-400, Application for Naturalization, at the offices listed above will be directed to mail their application directly to the Vermont Service Center for processing.

Dated: March 27, 1998.

**Doris Meissner,**

Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service.

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