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INSTRUCTION PACKAGE FOR "K" VISA APPLICANTS

We have been notified that you are entitled to apply for a K1 or K3 non-immigrant visa. To prepare for your interview appointment with a consular officer, please follow these instructions.

STEP ONE: Obtain the following documents for yourself and any children who will travel with you. Do NOT send any documents to this office. Keep them with you and bring them to your interview. Please obtain the *original documents* and/or *certified copies* from an appropriate authority for yourself and each family member who will accompany you to the United States. All documents that pertain to your petition are required, even if they were previously submitted to the United States Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS)

PASSPORTS: You must have a regular passport valid for travel to the United States that must be valid for at least eight months beyond the issuance date of the visa. If you have a "Giay Phep Xuat Canh" only, it must include a re-entry permit stamp or annotation that allows you to return to Vietnam. Your children up to 16 years of age may be included in your passport.

BIRTH CERTIFICATES: You must provide the original and one certified copy of your birth certificate and the original and one certified copy of the birth certificate of each of your accompanying children and your petitioner. The birth certificate must state the date and place of birth and the names of both parents. The birth certificate must indicate if it is an extract from official records. If you or any of your children were adopted, you must submit a certified copy of the final adoption decree. We will return the original birth certificate(s) to you.

UNOBTAINABLE BIRTH CERTIFICATE: If you are not able to obtain a birth certificate because records have been destroyed or the government will not issue one, you must obtain a statement to that effect from the civil registrar's office and obtain secondary evidence of birth. Secondary evidence of birth can be old family household registrations, school records, or baptismal certificates. Bring the secondary evidence of birth with you to your interview.

COURT AND PRISON RECORDS: If you have been convicted of a crime you must obtain a certified copy of each court record and of any prison record, regardless of any subsequent amnesty, pardon, or other act of clemency. Court records should include complete information regarding the circumstances surrounding the crime of which the applicant was convicted, and the disposition of the case, including sentence or other penalty or fine imposed.

MILITARY RECORDS: Persons who have served in the military forces of any country must obtain one copy of their military record.

POLICE CERTIFICATES: Police certificates issued within the past year by Department of Justice office in your district of official residence as registered in your household registry (Ho Khau) are required for each visa applicant aged 16 years or older. In Ho Chi Minh City, you may apply for records at the Department of Justice at 143 Pasteur, Ward 6, District 3, Ho Chi Minh City.

FOREIGN POLICE CERTIFICATES: Foreign Police Certificate(s) for persons age 16 and over from any country in which they resided for more than six months (See Form DSL-1083K attached).

PHOTOGRAPHS: Provide four (4) color photographs for each applicant. See the attached document for photo specifications and a list of photo shops in Ho Chi Minh City.

EVIDENCE OF SUPPORT: The person who will be financially responsible for you in the United States should complete the enclosed Form I-134. Provide evidence to show that you and your accompanying children will not become public charges in the United States. The enclosed information sheet, DS-2000, lists evidence you may present to meet this requirement of the law.