IMMIGRANT VISA SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SHEET

POLICE CERTIFICATES

Police certificates are required from every visa applicant aged 16 years or over for each locality of the country of the applicant's nationality or current residence where the applicant has resided for at least six months since attaining the age of sixteen. Police certificates are also required from all other countries where the applicant has resided for at least one year. Generally, application for such certificates should be made directly to police authorities in the district in which you resided. If you have any questions about where or how to apply for police certificates in other countries, you may communicate directly with the U.S. consular office processing your visa applications.

Do not attempt to obtain police certificates covering residence in any of the following countries, as they are not available:

Afghanistan*
Angola*
Azerbaijan*
Bangladesh*
Bulgaria*
Cambodia
Chad
Colombia*
Costa Rica*
Equatorial Guinea*
Ghana
Guatemala*
Haiti*
Honduras*
Indonesia
Iran*
Iraq*
Kazakhstan
Laos*
Libya
Malaysia*
Mexico
Mongolia
Nepal*
Nicaragua*
Pakistan*
Saudi Arabia*
Sierra Leone
Somalia*
Sri Lanka
Sudan
Syria*
Tajikistan
Thailand*
United States Of America
Uzbekistan*
Venezuela*
Vietnam*

Police certificates from these countries are available only to persons physically present in the country who apply in person.

Belarus
Brazil
Chile
Comoros
Cuba*
Ethiopia
Kuwait*
Lebanon*
Paraguay
Rwanda*
Suriname
Ukraine
United Arab Emirates
Yemen

Police Certificates from the following countries are available only through the United States Embassy or Consulate. Contact the American consular office if you currently are, or have been a resident of one of these countries.

Bermuda
Brunei
Korea*
Netherlands*

MILITARY RECORDS

Military records from the following countries and those above countries marked with an asterisk (*) are not available.

Bahamas
Bolivia
Canary Islands
Djibouti
Dominica
Grenada
Hong Kong
Iceland
Lesotho
Luxembourg
Macedonia
Marshall Islands
Monaco
Norway
Panama
Peru
Poland
San Marino
Serbia-Montenegro
Solomon Islands
St. Helena
St. Kitts & Nevis
Saint Lucia
St. Vincent & the Grenadines
Swaziland
Taiwan
Tanzania
Turkmenistan
Turks & Caicos Islands
Tuvalu
Western Samoa
Dem. Rep. of Congo

MARRIAGE

If your status as an intending immigrant depends upon a relationship established by a marriage between an alien and a United States citizen or legal permanent resident, please be prepared to present suitable documentation to establish the bona-fides of that marriage at the time of your immigrant visa interview.

The following types of documentation have proven helpful in adjudication of visa cases involving marriages. The type of documentation you present will depend on your particular circumstances. Failure to present satisfactory documentation may delay issuance of your immigrant visa.

--Receipts showing joint obligations for housing and living expenses, such as rent, utilities, telephone, and so forth;

--Mortgages, leases, credit accounts, or other financial obligations undertaken jointly;

--Evidence of joint ownership of property;

--Evidence of joint management of finances, such as joint bank accounts, insurance policies, retirement plans;

--Phone bill, photos, and correspondence between the married couple, dating from before and during the marriage;

--Correspondence to both spouses from family members;

--Evidence that those who know the parties recognize them as a married couple, such as invitations, cards, correspondence, and so forth;

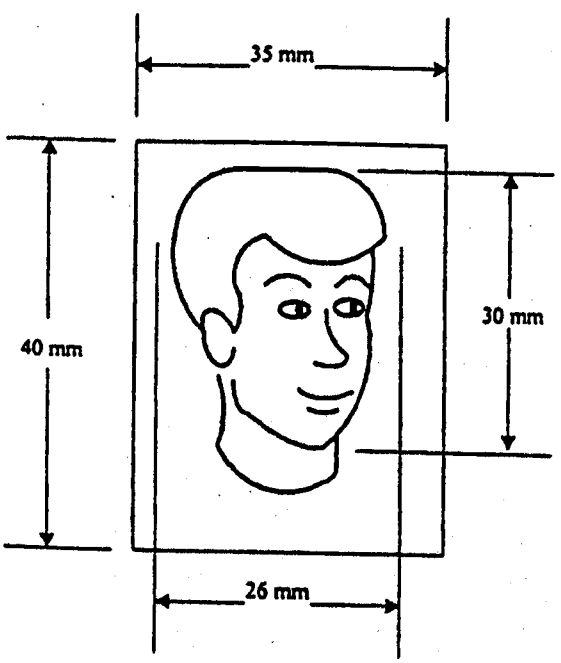
--Tax returns from past years showing joint filing;

--Any other documentation or evidence would be suitable which shows that the parties to the marriage have formed a genuine economic and marital union.

EMPLOYMENT

If your entitlement to immigrant status is based on an employment-based petition or an offer of employment, you must obtain from your employer in the United States a written statement confirming that the employment offered you is still available. The statement should be on the stationery of the employer's business organization and must be notarized. This statement must be presented at the time of your immigrant visa interview.

COLOR PHOTOGRAPH SPECIFICATIONS



- Photographs must show the subject in a ¾ frontal portrait as shown.
- Unless the applicant wears a head covering required by religion, the right ear (without earring) must be exposed, and head covering must not be worn.
- Photograph outer dimension must be larger 1 3/8" x 1 5/8" (35mm x 40mm), but head size (including hair) must fit within the size illustrated (1" x 1¼") (26mm x 30mm)
- Two (2) photographs of each applicant, regardless of age, must be submitted.
- Photograph must be color with a white background. Surface of the photograph must be glossy finish.
- Photographic image must be sharp and correctly exposed. Photograph must be un-retouched.
- Photographs must be taken within thirty (30) days of application date.
- Using felt pen to avoid mutilation of the photographs, lightly print the name of the subject on the back of all photos.