

License No.	SBIC name	Date licensed	City and State	Date surrendered
06/10-0057	Rice Investment Company	08/23/1961	Houston, TX	04/19/1991
01/02-0052	SBIC of Connecticut Inc. (The)	01/31/1961	Turnbull, CT	12/29/1995
02/02-0375	Sherwood Business Capital Corp	11/23/1979	Port Chester, NY	12/18/1985
04/04-5133	Southern Inv. & Funding Corp. Inc	10/26/1977	Atlanta, GA	10/19/1992
09/09-5176	United Business Ventures, Inc	11/01/1974	Carson, CA	08/31/1989
04/04-5104	Urban Ventures, Inc	06/09/1972	Miami, FL	02/14/1990
09/09-0175	Walden Capital Corp	12/17/1974	San Francisco, CA	09/05/1990
03/03-0180	Washington Ventures, Inc	12/03/1986	Washington, DC	05/21/1997
09/09-0226	West Coast Venture Capital	05/22/1979	Cupertino, CA	12/03/1984
06/06-0248	Western Venture Capital Corp	08/03/1981	Tulsa, OK	04/05/1991

Under the authority vested by the Act and pursuant to the regulations promulgated thereunder, the surrender of each license was accepted on (see surrender date indicated) and accordingly, all rights, privileges, and franchises derived therefrom have been terminated.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 59.011, Small Business Investment Companies.)

Dated: August 19, 1997.

Don A. Christensen,

Associate Administrator for Investment.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Bureau of Consular Affairs

[Public Notice 2589]

Registration for the Diversity Immigrant (DV-99) Visa Program

ACTION: Notice of registration period and requirements for the fifth year of the Diversity Immigrant Visa Program.

This public notice provides information on the procedures for obtaining an opportunity to apply for one of the 55,000 immigrant visas to be made available in the DV category during Fiscal Year 1999. This notice is issued pursuant to 22 CFR 42.33, which implements sections 201(a)(3), 201(e), 203(c) and 204(a)(1)(G) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151(a)(3), 1153(c), and 1154(a)(1)(G)).

Entry Procedures for the 55,000 Immigrant Visas To Be Made Available in the DV Category During Fiscal Year 1999

Sections 201(a)(3), 201(e), 203(c) and 204(a)(1)(G) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, taken together established, effective for Fiscal Year 1995 and thereafter, an annual numerical limitation of 55,000 diversity immigrant visas to be made available to

persons from countries that have had low rates of immigration to the United States. The DV-99 registration mail-in period will last 31 days and will be held from noon on October 24, 1997 through noon on November 24, 1997. This will give those eligible, both in the United States and overseas, ample time to mail in an entry.

How Visas Are Apportioned

The visas will be apportioned among six geographic regions. A greater number of visas will go to those regions that have had lower immigration rates as determined pursuant to INA 203(c). There is, however, a limit of seven percent (or 3,850) on the use of visas by natives of any one foreign state. The regions, along with their Fiscal Year 1999 allotments are:

Africa: 21,409; includes all countries on the African continent and adjacent islands.

Asia: 7,254; extends from Israel to the northern Pacific Islands, including Indonesia and Hong Kong, but excludes China, both mainland and Taiwan born, India, Philippines, South Korea, and Vietnam.

Europe: 23,024; extends from Greenland to Russia, including all countries of the former USSR, but excludes Great Britain (United Kingdom) and its dependent territories and Poland (Northern Ireland is eligible).

North America: 8; the Bahamas is the only eligible country this year (Canada is not eligible).

Oceania: 837; includes Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, and all countries and islands in the South Pacific.

South America, Central America, and the Caribbean: 2,468; extends from Central America (Guatemala) and the Caribbean nations to Chile but excludes Colombia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Jamaica, and Mexico.

Eligibility

Natives of "high admission" countries are not eligible for the program. "High admission" countries are defined as

those from which the United States has received more than 50,000 immigrants during the last five fiscal years for which data are available in the immediate relative, or family or employment preference categories. [See INA 203(c)(1)(A)]. Each year the Immigration and Naturalization Services adds the family and employment immigrant admission figures for the previous five fiscal years to identify the countries that must be excluded from the annual diversity lottery. For 1999, "high admission" and therefore ineligible countries are:

Canada,
China (mainland and Taiwan born),
Colombia,
The Dominican Republic,
El Salvador,
India,
Jamaica,
Mexico,
The Philippines,
Poland,
South Korea,
United Kingdom (except Northern Ireland),
and its dependent territories, and
Vietnam.

Note that the Hong Kong Administrative Region (SAR) is eligible; it is treated separately from China pursuant to the 1984 Sino-British Joint Declaration on the Question of Hong Kong, the 1990 Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, and the 1991 U.S.-Hong Kong Policy Act, 22 U.S.C. 5701 et seq. Northern Ireland is treated separately pursuant to INA 203(c)(1)(F).

Requirements

To apply for the 1999 Diversity Immigrant Visa Program an applicant must properly claim nativity in a qualifying country AND meet either the education or training requirement of the DV program.

Nativity in most cases is determined by place of birth. However, any alien born in a nonqualifying country may claim his or her spouse's birthplace (alternate chargeability) if the spousal relationship was established at the time the application for DV registration was

submitted. An alien born in a nonqualifying country in which neither parent was born nor resident at the time of the alien's birth, can also claim the birthplace of either parent. (INA 202(b).)

Education or Training: To be eligible to compete for consideration for a visa under the diversity program an alien must have EITHER a high school education or its equivalent, defined as successful completion of a 12-year course of elementary or secondary education in the United States OR two years work experience within the past five years in an occupation requiring at least two years of training or experience.

Applicants who do not meet these requirements SHOULD NOT submit an entry for the DV program.

Fee and Form

There is no fee and no special petition form that must be completed to enter. The entry must be typed or clearly printed in the English alphabet on a sheet of plain paper and must include the information below (preferably in the following order):

1. Applicant's full name.

Last Name (Surname/Family Name), First Name, and Middle Name (The Last Name/Surname/Family Name should be italicized.)

Example: *Public*, George James or *Public*, Sara Jane or *Lopez*, Juan Antonio.

2. Applicant's date and place of birth.

Date of birth: Day, Month, Year

Example: 15 November 1961

Place of birth: City/Town, District/

County/Province, Country

Example: Munich, Bavaria, Germany

Please use the current name of the country (e.g. Kazakhstan, Russia, Croatia, Slovakia, Eritrea, etc.), if different from the name in use at the time of birth.

3. Applicant's native country if different from country of birth.

If an alien is claiming nativity in a country other than his or her place of birth, this country (instead of the country of birth) must be clearly indicated on the entry as well as in the upper left corner of the entry envelope.

4. Name, date and place of birth of applicant's spouse and minor children, if any.

The spouse and child(ren) of an applicant who is registered for DV-99 status are automatically entitled to the same status. To obtain a visa on the basis of this derivative status, a child must be under 21 years of age and unmarried. NOTE: Do Not list parents as they are not entitled to derivative status.

5. Applicant's mailing address (and phone number, if possible).

The mailing address must be clear and complete, since it will be to that

address that the notification letter for the persons who are registered will be sent. A telephone number is optional but useful.

6. A recent (preferably less than 6 months old) 1 1/2 inch (37 mm) square photograph of the principal applicant: The applicant's name must be printed across the back of the photograph, which must be taped to the application with clear tape, not attached by staples or paper clips, which can jam the mail processing equipment. Photocopies are not acceptable.

7. Principal applicant's signature is required on the entry: The applicant must personally sign (preferably in the native alphabet) the entry using his or her normal signature, regardless of whether the entry is prepared and submitted by the applicant or someone else. Failure of the principal applicant to personally sign the entry will result in disqualification. (Only the principal applicant, not the spouse and children, needs to submit a signature and photograph.)

This information must be sent by regular mail or air mail to the postal addresses in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, designated for the principal applicant's native region (see addresses below). Entries must be mailed in envelopes [between 6 and 10 inches (15 to 25 cm) long and 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 inches (9 to 11 cm) wide]. Postcards are not acceptable, nor are envelopes inside express mail packets. The upper left-hand corner of the envelope must show the country to which the applicant is claiming nativity (or the country to which the alien is claiming entitlement), full name, and complete mailing address typed or clearly printed in the English alphabet.

Only one entry for each applicant may be submitted during the registration period. Duplicate or multiple entries will disqualify individuals from registration for this program. [See INA 204(a)(1)(6)(i)]. Entries received before or after the specified registration dates regardless of when they are postmarked and entries sent to an address other than one of those indicated below are void. All qualifying envelopes received during the registration period will be individually numbered and entries will be selected at random by computer regardless of time of receipt during the mail-in period. Selected entries will be registered and then notified as specified below.

Where Entries Should Be Sent

Note Carefully the Importance of Using the Correct Postal ZIP Code for Each Region.

Asia:

DV-99 Program, National Visa Center, Portsmouth, NH 00210, USA

South America, Central America, and the Caribbean:

DV-99 Program, National Visa Center, Portsmouth, NH 00211, USA

Europe:

DV-99 Program, National Visa Center, Portsmouth, NH 00212, USA

Africa:

DV-99 Program, National Visa Center, Portsmouth, NH 00213, USA

Oceania:

DV-99 Program, National Visa Center, Portsmouth, NH 00214, USA

North America:

DV-97 Program, National Visa Center, Portsmouth, NH 00215, USA

Outside Attorneys or Consultants

The decision to hire an attorney or consultant is entirely up to the applicant. Procedures for entering the Diversity Lottery can be completed without assistance following these simple instructions. However, if applicants prefer to use outside assistance, that is their choice. There are many legitimate attorneys and immigration consultants assisting applicants for reasonable fees, or in some cases for free. Unfortunately, there are other persons who are charging exorbitant rates and making unrealistic claims.

Selection of Winners

The selection of winners is made at random and no outside service can legitimately improve an applicant's chances of being chosen or guarantee that an entry will win. Any service that claims it can improve an applicant's odds is promising something it cannot lawfully deliver.

Persons who think they have been cheated by a U.S. company or consultant in connection with the Diversity Visa Lottery may wish to contact their local consumer affairs office or the National Fraud Information Center at 1-800-876-7060 or 1-202-835-0159 from 9:00 am to 5:30 pm (EST), Monday through Friday or (202) 835-0159; Internet address: <http://www/fraud.org>. The U.S. Department of State does not investigate consumer complaints against businesses in the United States.

Notifying Winners

Only successful entrants will be notified. They will be notified by mail between April and July of 1998 at the address listed on their entry. Winners will also be sent instructions on how to apply for an immigrant visa, including information on the fee for immigrant visas and a separate visa lottery

surcharge. Successful entrants must complete the immigrant visa application process and meet all eligibility requirements under U.S. law to be issued a visa.

Being selected as a winner in the DV Lottery does not automatically guarantee being issued a visa even if the applicant is qualified, because the number of entries selected and registered is greater than the number of immigrant visas available. Those selected will, therefore, need to complete and file their immigrant visa applications quickly. Once all 55,000 visas have been issued or on September 30, 1999, whichever is sooner, the DV Program for Fiscal Year 1999 will end.

Obtaining Instructions on Entering the DV Lottery

The above information on entering the DV-99 program is also available 24 hours a day to persons within the United States by calling the Department of State's Visa Lottery Information Center at 1-900-884-8840 at a flat rate of \$5.10 per call. Callers will first hear some basic information about the DV Lottery and will be requested to provide their name and address so that printed instructions can be mailed to them. Applicants overseas may continue to contact the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate for instructions on the DV Lottery.

Dated: August 14, 1997.

Mary A. Ryan,

Assistant Secretary for Consular Affairs.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Notice of Opportunity to Apply for Nomination to the World Trade Organization Dispute Settlement Roster of Panel Candidates— Extension of Time

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice of extension of time limit for applications from the public.

By **Federal Register** Notice of July 10, 1997 (62 FR 37112) the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative announced the opportunity to apply for nomination by the United States to the World Trade Organization (WTO) indicative list of non-governmental persons for potential service as a panelist in settlement of WTO trade disputes. The application deadline cited was August 10, 1997. The deadline has been extended to September 15, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Information concerning the form of the application appears at 62 FR 37112-4. For further information on the form of the application, contact Ileana Falticeni, Litigation Assistant, USTR Office of Monitoring and Enforcement, (202) 395-3582. For information concerning WTO procedures or the duties involved, contact Amelia Porges, Senior Counsel for Dispute Settlement, (202) 395-7305 or Rebecca Reese, Director for Government Procurement, (202) 395-3063.

Frederick L. Montgomery,

Chairman, Trade Policy Staff Committee.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Notice of Meeting of the Industry Functional Advisory Committee for Customs Matters (IFAC 1)

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Industry Functional Advisory Committee for Customs Matters (IFAC 1) will hold a meeting on September 18, 1997 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. The meeting will be open to the public from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. and closed to the public from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for September 18, 1997, unless otherwise notified.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Department of Commerce in Room 1414, located at 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, unless otherwise notified.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dan Gardner, Department of Commerce, 14th St. and Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20230, (202) 482-3681 or Bill Daley, Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th St. NW., Washington, DC 20508, (202) 395-6120.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The IFAC 1 will hold a meeting on September 18, 1997 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The meeting will include a review and discussion of current issues which influence U.S. trade policy. Pursuant to Section 2155(f)(2) of Title 19 of the United States Code and Executive Order 11846 of March 27, 1975, the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative has determined that part of this meeting will be concerned with matters the disclosure of which would seriously compromise the development by the

United States Government of trade policy, priorities, negotiating objectives or bargaining positions with respect to the operation of any trade agreement and other matters arising in connection with the development, implementation and administration of the trade policy of the United States. During the discussion of such matters, the meeting will be closed to the public from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The meeting will be open to the public and press from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. when other trade policy issues will be discussed. Presently scheduled are agenda items on Customs Automation and a Report on Regional Customs Meetings. Attendance during this part of the meeting is for observation only. Individuals who are not members of the committee will not be invited to comment.

Phyllis Shearer Jones,

Assistant United States Trade Representative, Intergovernmental Affairs and Public Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements; Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The ICR describe the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments was published on June 11, 1997 (62 FR 31862).

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 24, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joel Richard, Maritime Administration, MAR-120, Room 7210, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, D.C. 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Maritime Administration (MARAD)

Title: Inventory of American Intermodal Equipment.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0503.