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Hi Cintia,

I hope this email finds you well.

By way of introduction, my name is Carolina and I will be assisting you in requesting an emergency appointment with the US consulate in Sao Paulo, along with a national interest exception to Presidential Proclamation 10041/10143 (which suspended entry of foreign nationals who have been in Brazil within the last 14 days).

Please know that the US consulates globally suspended routine visa services in March, due to COVID. Within the last few months, the US consulates in Brazil have resumed services limited to only select visa applicants and, in general, emergency appointments and national interest exceptions to Presidential Proclamation 10041/10143 (the Brazil travel ban) are only available to a select few individuals (e.g., people married to a US citizen, parent of a US citizen child under the age of 21, people seeking entry to the US for urgent humanitarian, medical reasons, to do work related to COVID-19 response/mitigation, etc.).

As such, in order to obtain a visa, we will need to attempt to secure an emergency appointment for you at the consulate and argue that your entry to the US is in the national interest. An approval for an emergency appointment and national interest exception to the Brazil travel ban is highly subjective and not-guaranteed. In addition, if the emergency request is granted, the Consulate may select whatever day is most convenient for the Consular officers. There is very little control over this. As such, we recommend that you be ready to attend on short notice.

Please be aware that as per consular policy, you may not enter the consulate or Applicant Service Center if you are experiencing flu-like symptoms, or you have been in close contact in the last 14 days with anyone who, to the best of your knowledge, is being evaluated for or has been diagnosed with COVID-19. For more details, see https://ais.usvisa-info.com/en-br/niv/information/fags

Next Steps:

- 1. Please provide your login information to the following website, if you have one: https://ais.usvisa-info.com/pt-br/niv (If you do not have a login, please let us know and we can help create one for you.)
- 2. Attached is a Form G-28, Notice of Attorney Representation. Please review and let us know if any edits are needed. If none, please sign and date on Page 3, Questions 2a/2b, and then email us a scanned PDF copy of the signed page.
- 3. Please provide copies of your dependents' Brazilian passport, if applicable.
- 4. We will draft a letter explaining your need to attend a consular interview on an emergency basis, along with a request for national interest exception to the Presidential Proclamation.

Finally, please know that, despite our efforts to secure an emergency appointment and national interest exceptions, the decision to approve the request is usually made by the consular Deputy Visa Chief and cannot be overturned. If the consulate declines the request to approve your request, then we cannot submit a second request on your behalf. There is always a possibility -- particularly given limited consular staffing as a result of COVID-19 -- that the consulate will decline the request.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Regards,

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