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Dear OS Comments:

Director, Regulatory Management Division US Citizenship and Immigration Services Department of Homeland Security 111 Massachusetts Ave. NW, 3rd floor Washington DC 20529.

RE: DHS Docket # USCIS-2006-0044

Proposed rule — Adjustment of the Immigration and Naturalization Benefit Application and Petition Fee Schedule

Arab American Legal Services is deeply concerned about the proposed USCIS fee increase referenced above.

Arab American Legal Services (AALS) works to provide free immigration services to Arabs and other immigrants most affected by current anti-immigrant policies in San Francisco.

As Arabs and Arab Americans we stand with Asian communities struggling against the fee hikes that will severely impact the lives of all immigrants, particularly the working class-- those contributing to the American economy as our low and moderate income laborers.

The massive and abrupt fee increase proposed by USCIS will delay or prevent Arabs, Asians, Latinos, Africans, and other immigrants from becoming U.S. citizens, reuniting with their families, contributing their knowledge and skills to our economy, and settling into our society after having escaped persecution.

Together with other immigrant communities in the United States, and their families and friends elsewhere waiting to join our communities here, AALS urges USCIS to halt the proposed fee increases. USCIS must work with immigrants and immigrant rights advocates to ensure the most just, effective, and expedient process towards full legalization of all immigrants.

Sincerely,

Lily Haskell