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I would like congratulating you for building an Immigration service for the 21st Century. For some customers, the system is actually working very fast, Although; is not the same for me. I am the only person that I have knowledge with a case too much old like mine, I submit an application for political Asylum in 1993 almost 14 years ago; and, finally in 1999 a Judge of Immigration Court gave us a political Asylum. After that, in 2001, based on grant of asylum more than 1 year ago, I applied for Adjustment of Status. Then, I was waiting for years until 2005 I received a bibliography Form to actualize my records. Was then, when my Agony started. My marital status changed because my husband pass away in 2000, information that I explained in the bibliography Form. INS sends back our case to asylum office and they approved our case again. I would like to notice that the INS make emphasis in report the change of address as soon as possible with the For R-11 but never do the same with the change of marital status. For this reason my case is taking too much time, but that time is not justified. I just expend 10 minutes with the Asylum officer to approve my case again. An he told us on the interview you will received your I-94 in two week and still waiting after 5 months. He also told us " you suppose to receive the green card right now and you are ready to apply for citizenship". 7 years after I send the application for Adjustment of Status (I-485) and I still waiting. I know about other cases and they received the Green Card just in 2 years or less.

I consider, is an injustice for a widow with an orphan son to have done this over again; can you please imagines how many employment authorization cards I have since 1993? And how much money that represent? Also, every 2 years paying for a Driver license and the last time they only gave me the Driver license for 11 months.

My case is not moving, my concern is in 2 years my son will be 21, if we not receive the Green Cards soon; he has to return to Asylum office to do the same over, and over again. And I have to hire a lawyer again, who represents my son. Everything is ready and checked in our case. We are decent people with high moral values, and not criminal records. My son graduated with Honors from H.S, and now is an excellent student of FSU.

I have to many questions, why us? , How many more years? Or may be I had to wait for an Immigration Reform?

I hope God give you the wisdom to lead this institution on the right way.

Please, Mr. Emilio Gonzalez can you help my son and me with our case. Our case is out of limited of time.

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