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To whom it may concern:

I'm writing to request that you do *not* increase the fees for U.S. Citizenship and Immigration services. My husband and I are currently in the process of adopting a child from China. We have already paid the fees for fingerprinting and the I-600A form, but because of the increased wait time to receive a referral from the Chinese Center for Adoption Affairs, all of our paperwork will expire and the fees will have to be paid again. Currently, families adopting from China are waiting 18 months to receive their referrals and another one to two months before they receive their travel approval. Our adoption agency notified us that we will most likely be waiting 24 months for a referral. Since fingerprinting is only valid for 15 months, and the I-717H for 18 months, all families currently waiting for their children from China and other countries with similar situations, will have to pay the fees *twice*. Please do not increase these fees.

Thank you,  
Amy Morehouse