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Subject: USCIS-2006-0044 - Attn: Director, Management Division:

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As a mother of two internationally adopted children, I'm asking for reconsideration on the proposed increases of the current fee structure for immigration and naturalization applications. If approved this proposal would increase the cost in filing fees for international adoptions by sixty-six percent.

The increased fee for N-565 (Application for Replacement of Certificate of Citizenship - used for name changes) in putting an undue burden on adoptive parents and their children, who are U.S. citizens by completion of their adoption, but forced to replace the Certificate of Citizenship only to change a name on the form. What other U.S. citizens are charged additional fees only by virtue of their given name?

Proposal USCIS-2006-0044 would include the following increases in adoption fees. These fees hurt families and innocent children. The increase of the following fees could make the difference of whether an orphaned child finds a loving home in the U.S. or spends their lives in over populated, poor, ill-equipped orphanages overseas.

Please reconsider the increase proposals of the following adoption related fees:

Adoption-Related Petitions Affected by the Proposed Increase

I-600/600A (Petition to Classify Orphan as an Immediate Relative)
current: \$545
proposed: \$670 (increase of \$125)

N-565 (Application for Replacement of Certificate of Citizenship - used for name changes)
Current: \$220
Proposed: \$380 (\$160 increase)

N-600 (Application for Certificate of Citizenship)
Current: \$255
Proposed: \$460 (\$205 increase)

Biometric Services (fingerprints)
Current: \$70
Proposed: \$80

Thank you for your consideration and time in handling this important issue.

Sincerely,
Cheryl K. Cain

