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USCIS Comments

Dear USCIS Comments:

I am a parent to two children adopted internationally. I oppose the raise in rates proposed for USCIS known as "Adjustment of the Immigration and Naturalization Benefit Application and Petition Fee Schedule." I have a hard time understanding why the fees are increasing especially when the fees that apply to international adoption (fingerprinting, I-600a) are part of documents that are fairly cut and dry and involve little investigation since most of the investigation has already been done by the home study provider. I also have held off applying for my first daughter's Certificate of Citizenship (adopted before the Citizenship Act went into effect) because the application is so expensive. She deserves one. I should be able to go to a window with her birth certificate from China and our adoption papers and leave with a Certificate of Citizenship -- or at least one in a relatively short period of time.

Instead I'm facing a larger fee, if I ever get around to applying for that Certificate for her, even though she is already a citizen by virtue of the Citizenship Act. Have you considered a separate application for citizens naturalized via adoption - at a lower fee schedule?

Sincerely,

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