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DELEGATION TO DIRECTOR, UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES, TO ORDER EXPEDITED REMOVAL AND TO ENFORCE IMMIGRATION LAWS

I. Purpose

This delegation vests authority in the Director, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), to order expedited removal pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1225 and to take additional actions to enforce civil and criminal violations of the immigration laws. The United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement and United States Customs and Border Protection already have these authorities. This delegation supersedes and replaces paragraph 3 of section III, "Reservations," of Delegation 0150.1 (Issue Date 6/5/2003).

II. Delegation

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Secretary of Homeland Security by law, I hereby delegate to the USCIS Director:

- A. Authority to order expedited removal under 8 U.S.C. § 1225 *et seq.*
- B. Authority under the immigration laws, including but not limited to sections 235, 236, and 241 of the INA (8 U.S.C. 1225, 1226, and 1231), to issue and execute detainers and warrants of arrest or removal, detain aliens, release aliens on bond and other appropriate conditions as provided by law, and remove aliens from the United States.
- C. Authority to investigate alleged civil and criminal violations of the immigration laws within the jurisdiction of USCIS, including but not limited to issuance and execution of warrants, and making recommendations for prosecutions or other appropriate action when deemed advisable.

III. Re-delegation

Unless otherwise prohibited by statute, Executive Order, or other operation of law, the authority contained in this delegation may be re-delegated in writing by the USCIS Director to an appropriate subordinate official of USCIS and may be successively re-delegated to other officers or employees of USCIS qualified to exercise the authority.

IV. Authorities

- A. Homeland Security Act of 2002, Pub. L. No. 107-296, § 102, 116 Stat. 2135 (2002), as amended (6 U.S.C. § 112).
- B. Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, Pub. L. No. 82-414, §§ 103(a), 235, 66 Stat. 163, as amended (8 U.S.C. §§ 1103(a), 1225).
- C. 8 C.F.R. § 2.1 (Authority of the Secretary of Homeland Security).
- D. 8 C.F.R. part 235 (Expedited Removal)
- E. 8 C.F.R. part 287 (Field Officers; Powers and Duties)
- F. OHS Delegation No. 0151.1, "Delegation to the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services," June 5, 2003.

V. Office of Primary Interest

The USCIS Office of the Director is the office of primary interest in this delegation.



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Secretary of Homeland Security

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