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Subject: H-2B Cap Reached for the First Half of Fiscal Year 2015

USCIS has received a sufficient number of petitions to reach the congressionally mandated limit, or “[cap](#)” on the total number of foreign nationals who may seek a visa or otherwise obtain [H-2B status](#) for the first half of fiscal year (FY) 2015. Jan. 26, 2015 was the final receipt date for new H-2B worker petitions requesting an employment start date prior to April 1, 2015.

What Happens Now

- USCIS will reject new cap-subject H-2B petitions that were received after January 26, 2015, and that request an employment start date prior to April 1, 2015.
- No cap numbers from the first half of FY 2015 will be available in the second half of FY 2015, which begins April 1, 2015.

USCIS will continue to accept H-2B petitions that are exempt from the congressionally mandated cap. For more information about the H-2B work program, visit our website at <http://www.uscis.gov/h-2b> or call the National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283.

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