

the Office of Management and Budget under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

The revised Form N-600 and new Form N-600K have replaced the previous Application for Certificate of Citizenship on Behalf of an Adopted Child, Form N-643, as well as Form N-600/N-643 Supplement A, Application for Transmission of Citizenship Through a Grandparent.

Accordingly, this notice advises the public that only the current Form N-600 bearing the edition date of November 15, 2002 or later, is the correct form on which to apply for a Certificate of Citizenship. In addition, the new Form N-600K, bearing an edition date of April 30, 2003 or later, is the only correct form on which to apply for naturalization benefits for a child under section 322 of the Act.

As of October 31, 2003, only the November 15, 2002 or subsequent editions of Form N-600 will be valid for the purpose of filing an application for a certificate of citizenship, and only the April 30, 2003, or subsequent editions of Form N-600K will be valid for the purpose of filing an application for a certificate of citizenship under section 322 of the Act.

Correction of Stated Filing Fee

The current printed editions of Form N-600 and Form N-600K bear revision dates of November 15, 2002 and April 30, 2003, respectively. The instructions on these forms display a fee amount of \$195.00 for a Form N-600 or Form N-600K filed on behalf of anyone except an adopted child, and \$155.00 if filed on behalf of an adopted child. Those amounts were based on a fee adjustment rulemaking pending at the time the revisions were made. Clearance of the anticipated fee adjustment rulemaking has been delayed and, as a result, until further notice, CIS has adjusted the filing fees to be as follows. For a Form N-600 or Form N-600K filed on behalf of anyone except an adopted child, the correct fee is \$185.00. For a Form N-600 or Form N-600K filed on behalf of an adopted child, the correct fee is \$145.00.

Grace Period for Filing Previous Editions of Applications for a Certificate of Citizenship

Form N-600 applications bearing the earlier edition date that are mailed, postmarked or otherwise filed on or before October 31, 2003 will be accepted for the purpose of establishing a filing date for a certificate of citizenship. However, any applicants who are subject to the amended eligibility requirements of the current laws may be required to complete and submit either additional information or a valid current

Form N-600 or N-600K without additional fee, as appropriate, in order to complete the processing of their application. After October 31, 2003 no Form N-600 application bearing an edition date earlier than November 15, 2002, will be accepted for processing by CIS.

Form N-643 applications that are mailed, postmarked or otherwise filed on or before October 31, 2003 will be accepted for the purpose of establishing a filing date for a certificate, if the applicant continues to be eligible under the current law. Any applicants who are subject to the amended eligibility requirements of the current laws may be required to complete and submit either additional information or a valid Form N-600 or N-600K without additional fee, as appropriate, in order to complete the processing of their application. After October 31, 2003 no Form N-643 will be accepted for filing at CIS Field Offices.

Beginning October 31, 2003, any outdated editions of the Form N-600 application and any Form N-643 received by the CIS will be returned to the applicant with instructions to submit a current application form.

How Can Applicants Obtain the Current Edition of Form N-600 or Form N-600K?

Applicants can obtain copies of the current Form N-600 or N-600K by calling the CIS Forms Line at 1-800-870-3676. The current edition of Form N-600 or N-600K also can be viewed and printed electronically from the CIS Web site at <http://www.bcis.gov>.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Bureau of Customs and Border Protection

Fee for Customs Services at User Fee Airports

AGENCY: Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, DHS.

ACTION: General notice.

SUMMARY: This document advises the public of an increase in the fees charged user fee airports by the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) for providing customs services at these designated facilities. These fees are based on actual costs incurred by CBP

for equipment, training, and one CBP inspector on a full-time basis, and, thus, merely represent reimbursement to CBP for services rendered. The fees to be increased are the initial fee charged for a user fee airport's first year after it signs a Memorandum of Agreement with CBP to become a user fee airport, and the annual fee thereafter charged user fee airports.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The new fees will be effective October 1, 2003, and will be reflected in quarterly, user fee airport billings issued on or after that date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cynthia Sargent, Office of Finance (202) 927-0609.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Section 236 of the Trade and Tariff Act of 1984 (Pub. L. 98-573, 98 Stat. 2992) (codified at 19 U.S.C. 58b), as amended, authorizes the provision of customs services and establishment of a fee for the use of such services at certain specified airports and at any other airport, seaport, or other facility designated pursuant to specified criteria. (The list of user fee airports is found at § 122.15 of the Customs Regulations (19 CFR 122.15)). The fee that is charged is an amount equal to the expenses incurred in providing the customs services at the designated facility, which includes the salary and expenses of individuals employed by CBP, and any necessary support costs to provide the customs services. The fees being raised are the initial fee charged for a user fee airport's first year after it signs a Memorandum of Agreement with CBP to become a user fee airport (set at \$129,125 for FY 2003), and the annual fee, thereafter, charged user fee airports (set at \$115,400 for FY 2003).

The user fees for user fee airports are typically set forth in Memorandum of Agreements between the user fee facility and CBP. While the amounts of these fees are agreed to be at flat rates, they are adjustable, as costs and circumstances change.

The last notice concerning fees charged user fee airports was published on September 12, 2002, in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 57866).

Adjustment of User Fee Airport Fees

As of July 24, 2003, CBP has determined that in order for the user fee to fully reimburse CBP for services provided, the initial fee must be increased from \$129,125 to \$140,874 and that the recurring annual fee subsequently charged must be increased from \$115,400 to \$123,438. The new fees will be effective October 1, 2003,