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Ms. Tracy L. Renaud
Associate Director
Service Center Operations Directorate
U. S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20529

Re: Online filing of Form N-600K.

Dear Ms. Renaud,

Over the years, American Citizens Abroad, Inc. (ACA) a non-profit social welfare organization, has helped thousands of overseas American citizens with problems involving U.S. citizenship for their children born abroad. One of the procedures available to U.S. citizens residing abroad for naturalization of their minor child involves filing Form N-600K "Application for Citizenship and Issuance of Certificate Under Section 322."

The official USCIS website states: "If you are applying from outside the U.S., ... you cannot currently file your Form N-600K online." Form N-600K is specifically designed for U.S. citizens and their minor children residing or adopted abroad. This restriction concerning online filing prevents a substantial number of potential filers from being able to use the USCIS online filing system which was designed to alleviate paperwork and unnecessary delays both for the USCIS and the filing party. ACA would like to see this restriction (filing online from abroad) removed as there is no known technical reason for maintaining such a restriction. Filing online should be available from any location.

We are addressing this message to you in your capacity as Associate Director (Service Center Operations Directorate) and also as having been responsible for the implementation of the agency's first electronic filing effort. Anything you can do to improve the online filing procedure, especially for Americans residing abroad, would be much appreciated.

Yours Sincerely,

Karl Jauch
Executive Committee Member
American Citizens Abroad, Inc.

P.S: A message similar to this was addressed electronically to PolicyFeedback@uscis.dhs.gov on October 2, 2022.