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Policy Alert

SUBJECT: International Entrepreneur Parole Threshold Adjustments

Purpose

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) is issuing policy guidance in the [USCIS Policy Manual](#) to reflect the recently published final rule to codify the automatic adjustment of the investment, award, grant, and revenue thresholds for international entrepreneur parole. The guidance also clarifies the process for submitting biometrics for applicants who reside outside the United States.

Background

The International Entrepreneur Rule¹ provides a framework for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to use its parole authority to grant a period of authorized stay, on a case-by-case basis, to noncitizen entrepreneurs who would provide a significant public benefit through their startup entity's potential for rapid growth and job creation. The International Entrepreneur Rule, published on January 17, 2017, required that investment and revenue thresholds in [8 CFR 212.19](#) would automatically adjust for inflation every 3 years. Accordingly, DHS published a final rule² on July 25, 2024, to codify the next automatic adjustment, which takes effect on October 1, 2024.

This guidance is contained in Volume 3 of the Policy Manual and is effective immediately. The biometrics clarification applies to requests pending or filed on or after the publication date. The revised threshold amounts are effective, and apply to requests filed on or after, October 1, 2024. The guidance contained in the Policy Manual is controlling and supersedes any related prior guidance.

Policy Highlights

- Provides the revised amounts for the automatic adjustment of the investment, award, grant, and revenue thresholds.
- Clarifies that USCIS generally coordinates with the U.S. Department of State to arrange biometrics appointments for conditionally approved applicants for international entrepreneur

¹ See [82 FR 5238](#) (Jan. 17, 2017).

² See [89 FR 60298](#) (Jul. 25, 2024).

parole who are outside the United States or who elect to receive their parole documentation at a U.S. embassy or consulate.

Summary of Changes

Volume 3 > Part G > Chapter 1 > Section B, Background

- Revises third paragraph.

Volume 3 > Part G > Chapter 2 > Section B, Qualified Investment or Government Award or Grant

- Revises tables in Subsection 1 (Investment Option) and Subsection 2 (Government Award or Grant Option)

Volume 3 > Part G > Chapter 4 > Section B > Subsection 1, Approvals

- Revises and adds content under italicized subheadings “Applicants in the United States” and “Applicants Outside the United States.”

Volume 3 > Part G > Chapter 5 > Section B, Subsection 1, General Criteria

- Revises table.

USCIS may also make other minor technical, stylistic, and conforming changes consistent with this update.

Citation

Volume 3: Humanitarian Protection and Parole, Part G, International Entrepreneur Parole [[3 USCIS-PM G](#)] (Chapters 1, 2, 4, and 5).