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**COVER LETTER**

**Date:** May 26, 2021

**From:** USCIS Field Operations Directorate (FOD)

**To:** USCIS Lockbox Staff

**Subject:** Separated Family Form I-765 Request – Family Reunification Task Force (FRTF) Process

This Form I-765, Application for Employment Authorization, is being submitted by or on behalf of an individual with approved parole under a process established by the FRTF consistent with Executive Order 14011, *Establishment of Interagency Task Force on the Reunification of Families*, and the policy set forth by the Secretary of Homeland Security for individuals and certain family members who were separated at the United States-Mexico border by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) between the dates of January 20, 2017, and January 20, 2021, in connection with the operation of the Zero-Tolerance Policy and related policies.

Inclusion of this cover letter with the Form I-765 application packet is intended only to alert the USCIS Lockbox that this application is being submitted under the FRTF process.

Please note these instructions for special handling for this case:

- No form fee is required, per a group fee exemption approved USCIS.
- All filings will be assigned the appropriate prefix and promptly routed to proper office per Lockbox intake for adjudication.
- If any Form I-765 application submitted with this letter appears to be subject to rejection, USCIS will work via the FRTF to resolve filing issues to avoid rejection.

This cover letter is only for submission by or on behalf of individuals applying under the process established by the FRTF and is not for redistribution. Inclusion of this cover letter with the Form I-765 application packet does not guarantee an applicant's eligibility for employment authorization under this process.

USCIS Lockbox: Please contact the FOD HQ Point of Contact for any questions related to this letter.