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The Executive Office for Immigration Review Announces Phased Rollout for New Case Information System

FALLS CHURCH, Va. – The Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) today announced a new two-phase implementation schedule for the case information system launch that EOIR announced on August 16, 2010. This new system is an upgrade to a voluntary service that EOIR provides to the respondents and its stakeholders. The first phase of the launch will move the system to a server that uses more modern technology. At the completion of the second phase of the launch, enhanced privacy and security features will become operational.

Phase one will begin on August 30. The toll free number (800-898-7180) will remain the same, but the new local number is 240-314-1500. Menu options and the information available will remain the same, but the system will be housed on a more stable server, resulting in less unscheduled downtime for maintenance.

On October 4, 2010, phase two of the launch will require that users enter both the alien registration number, which the system currently requires, and the respondent's charging document date. Information about how to locate the charging document date is available on EOIR's website at www.justice.gov/eoir/HowToFindChargingDocumentDates.htm.

In order to move the system to this more stable server on August 30, the system will be down from 10:00 p.m. on Friday, August 27 through 6:00 a.m. on Monday, August 30. To implement phase two, the system will be down from 10:00 p.m. on Friday, October 1 through 6:00 a.m. on Monday, October 4.

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The Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) is an agency within the Department of Justice. Under delegated authority from the Attorney General, immigration judges and the Board of Immigration Appeals interpret and adjudicate immigration cases according to United States immigration laws. EOIR's immigration judges conduct administrative court proceedings in immigration courts located throughout the nation. They determine whether foreign-born individuals — whom the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) charges with violating immigration law — should be ordered removed from the United States or should be granted relief from removal and be permitted to remain in this country. The Board of Immigration Appeals primarily reviews appeals of decisions by immigration judges. EOIR's Office of the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer adjudicates immigration-related employment cases. EOIR is committed to ensuring fairness in all of the cases it adjudicates.