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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE INCREASES NONIMMIGRANT VISA APPLICATION FEE FROM \$100 TO \$131, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2008;

Applicants with Appointments Prior to January 31, 2008, Who Have Already Paid \$100 Fee Are Exempt From Increase

On December 13, 2007, the U.S. Department of State issued a Press Release announcing an increase in the Machine Readable Visa Application Fee from \$100 to \$131. The increase will go into effect at U.S. Consulates worldwide on January 1, 2008; however, applicants who have paid the lower fee prior to January 1st, and who will attend their appointments prior to January 31st, are exempt from the fee increase. The fee increase also applies to applications for Border Crossing Cards.