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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 81-15

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: CONTINUED ELIGIBILITY FOR AFDC AND FOOD STAMPS OF CUBAN/HAITIAN ENTRANTS

REFERENCE: TELEGRAMS DATED JULY 10, 1980 AND NOVEMBER 4, 1980

This letter confirms the time extension allowed the Cubans and Haitians as set forth in the night letter dated January 16, 1981. The instructions apply to the Cubans/Haitians who have an I-94 card stamped by the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) as a Cuban/Haitian Entrant (Status Pending) with a time limiting reviewable date of January 15, 1981. This date has been officially extended through July 15, 1981. The Cubans or Haitians who have the January 15, 1981 date on their I-94 card, should not be referred to INS for an updated stamp on their cards because this particular extension automatically applies to those who have the January date on their cards. However, INS may have already stamped some I-94 cards with the July 15, 1981 date. Since later instructions to INS required that this practice be discontinued, the January or the July date will allow continuing eligibility for AFDC and Food Stamps, provided all other eligibility factors continue to be met.

If there is no January or July date on the I-94 card, the Cuban or Haitian should be referred to INS for the stamp in order to be considered for eligibility for cash assistance, Medi-Cal and Food Stamps. Close attention should be paid to the Date of Entry shown on the I-94 cards. Cubans/Haitians who possess the above reviewable dates and who entered the U.S. after October 10, 1980 are not eligible as a Cuban/Haitian Entrant (Status Pending).

Please refer any questions to the appropriate program management consultant:

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Refugee Services: (916) 322-3141

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Sincerely.

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