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<p><i>Instructions</i></p> <p>Page 1, Section Entitled "Amerasian"</p>	<p>Amerasian. Any person who is 18 or older, an emancipated minor, or a U.S. corporation may file this petition for an alien who was born in Korea, Vietnam, Laos, Kampuchea, or Thailand after December 31, 1950, and before October 22, 1982, and was fathered by a U.S. citizen.</p> <p>The petition must be filed with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Copies of evidence showing that the person this petition is for was born in one of the above countries between those dates. If he/she was born in Vietnam, you must also submit a copy of his/her Vietnamese I.D. card, or an affidavit explaining why it is not available; * Copies of evidence establishing the parentage of the person, and of evidence establishing that the biological father was a U.S. citizen. <p>Examples of documents that may be submitted are birth or baptismal records or other religious documents; local civil records; an affidavit, correspondence or evidence of financial support from the father; photographs of the father (especially with the child); or, absent other documents, affidavits from knowledgeable witnesses which detail the parentage of the child and how they know such facts;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * A photograph of the person; * If the person is married, submit a copy of the marriage certificate, and proof of the termination of any prior marriages; and * If the person is under 18 years old, submit a written statement from his/her mother or legal guardian that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- Irrevocably releases him or her for emigration and authorizes the placement agencies to make necessary decisions for his or her immediate care until a sponsor receives custody; -- Shows an understanding of the effects of the release, and states whether any money was paid or coercion used prior to obtaining the release; and -- Includes the full name, date and place of birth, and present or permanent address of the mother or guardian, and with the signature of the mother or guardian on the release authenticated by a local registrar, court of minors, or a U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) officer. <p>The following sponsorship documents are also required. You may file these documents with the petition, or wait until we review the</p>	<p>Amerasian. Any person who is 18 or older, including the alien, or a U.S. corporation may file this petition for a beneficiary who was born in Korea, Vietnam, Laos, Kampuchea, or Thailand after December 31, 1950, and before October 22, 1982, and was fathered by a U.S. citizen.</p> <p>The petition must be filed with:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copies of evidence showing that the person this petition is for was born in one of the above countries between those dates. If he/she was born in Vietnam, you must also submit a copy of his/her Vietnamese I.D. card, or an affidavit explaining why it is not available; 2. Copies of evidence establishing the parentage of the person, and of evidence establishing that the biological father was a U.S. citizen. <p>Examples of documents that may be submitted are birth or baptismal records or other religious documents; local civil records; an affidavit, correspondence or evidence of financial support from the father; photographs of the father (especially with the child); or, absent other documents, affidavits from knowledgeable witnesses which detail the parentage of the child and how they know such facts;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. A photograph of the person; 4. If the person is married, submit a copy of the marriage certificate, and proof of the termination of any prior marriages; and <p>Removed all sections referring to under 18 year olds as all eligible applicants are now over that age.</p> <p>The sponsorship documents noted below are also required. You may file these documents with the petition, or wait until we review the petition and request them. However, not filing them with the petition will add to the overall processing time.</p>

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<p><i>Instructions</i></p> <p>Page 3, Section entitled "Armed Forces Member."</p>	<p>Armed Forces Member.</p> <p>You may file this petition for yourself, if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You have served honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States after October 15, 1978; • You originally lawfully enlisted outside the United States under a treaty or agreement in effect on October 1, 1991, for a period or periods aggregating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- Twelve years, and were never separated from such service except under honorable conditions; or -- Six years, are now on active duty, and have reenlisted to incur a total active duty service obligation of at least 12 years; • You are a national of an independent state which maintains a treaty or agreement allowing nationals of that state to enlist in the U.S. Armed Forces each year; and • The executive department under which you have served or are serving has recommended you for this special immigrant status. <p>The petition must be filed with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certified proof issued by the authorizing official of the 	<p>Armed Forces Member.</p> <p>You may file this petition for yourself, if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You have served honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States after October 15, 1978; • You originally lawfully enlisted outside the United States under a treaty or agreement in effect on October 1, 1991, for a period or periods aggregating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- Twelve years, and were never separated from such service except under honorable conditions; or -- Six years, are now on active duty, and have reenlisted to incur a total active duty service obligation of at least 12 years; • You are a national of an independent state which maintains a treaty or agreement allowing nationals of that state to enlist in the U.S. Armed Forces each year; and • The executive department under which you have served or are serving has recommended you for this special immigrant status.

	<p>executive department in which you are serving or have served which certifies that you have the required honorable active duty service and/or commitment; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Your birth certificate. 	<p>The petition must be filed with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certified proof issued by the authorizing official of the executive department in which you are serving or have served which certifies that you have the required honorable active duty service and/or commitment; and Your birth certificate. <p>Afghanistan or Iraq National Supporting U.S. Armed Forces as a Translator.</p> <p>You may file this petition for yourself if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are a national of Afghanistan or Iraq; You worked directly with the U.S. Armed Forces as a translator for a period of at least 12 months; You have obtained a favorable written recommendation from a general or flag officer in the chain of command of the U.S. Armed Forces unit that you supported; and Before filing this petition, you were cleared by a background check and screening, as determined by a general or flag officer in the chain of command of the U.S. Armed Forces unit that you supported. <p>The petition must be filed with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A copy of your passport or birth certificate, showing that you are a national of Afghanistan or Iraq; A favorable written recommendation from a general or flag officer in the chain of command of the U.S. Armed Forces unit that you supported; Documentation establishing that you have worked as a translator directly for the U.S. Armed Forces for a period of at least 12 months; Evidence of having cleared a background check and screening by the U.S. Armed Forces. This can be in the form of a written letter attesting to the clearance signed by a member of the U.S. Armed Forces unit that you supported; and A properly signed Form I-360 in Part 9, Signature, by the petitioner. <p>Petitioners physically present in the United States must also submit:</p> <p>A copy of the front and back of your I-94, Arrival/Departure Document. This is the document you received upon arrival in the United States.</p>
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Instructions

Page 4, right-hand column, entitled "Where to File."

If you live elsewhere in the United States, mail this petition to:

**USCIS
Nebraska Service Center
850 S Street
Lincoln, NE 68501-2521**

If you are a self petitioning battered spouse or abused spouse or child, mail your completed Form I-360 with supporting documents and correct fee to the Vermont Service Center at the following address:

**USCIS
Vermont Service Center
75 Lower Welden Street
St. Albans, VT 05479**

If the Vermont Service Center later sends you a Notice of Approval of your petition, you may apply at your local USCIS office to adjust your status as a lawful permanent resident.

If you are a special immigrant international organization officer or employee or family member, mail your Form I-360 with supporting documents and correct fee to the Nebraska Service Center at the following address:

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Amerasian:

1. If the beneficiary lives outside the United States, Form I-360 may be filed at the USCIS office overseas or at the U.S. consulate or embassy having jurisdiction over the beneficiary's current place of residence.
2. Form I-360 may also be filed at the USCIS office having jurisdiction over the beneficiary's intended place of residence in the United States, by submitting this petition to the USCIS Lockbox.

Afghan and Iraqi Translators:

If you are an Afghanistan or Iraq National who supported the U.S. Armed Forces as a translator, mail your Form I-360 with supporting documents and correct fee to the Nebraska Service Center at the following address:

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