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August 26, 2019

Mr. Farid Vatan
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Rockville, MD 20852-6002

Dear Mr. Vatan:

Enclosed is a copy of the response that I received from the U.S. Embassy in Ankara to my inquiry on your behalf. I hope that this information is helpful to you.

If the U.S. Embassy in Ankara is not in touch with you by February 26, 2020 and you would like me to make a follow-up inquiry, please contact Nina Ganti of my staff by email at nina_ganti@vanhollen.senate.gov or by phone at 301-545-1500. At that time, I would be happy to contact the agency again.

Sincerely,



Chris Van Hollen
United States Senator

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From: Consular, Ankara
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 10:16 AM
Subject: RE: Congressional Inquiry | I-130 | Hana Rayiszadeh | case no. ANK2017656013



*Embassy of the United States of America
Ankara, Turkey*

August 26, 2019

Dear Senator Van Hollen,

Thank you for bringing to our attention the concerns of Senator Van Hollen's constituent, Mr. Farid Vatan, regarding the immigrant visa application of his wife, Mrs. Hana Rayiszadeh.

Presidential Proclamation 9645, in effect as of September 24, 2017, impacts this case. Presidential Proclamation impacts visa issuances worldwide, including those at U.S. Embassy Ankara, Turkey and we refer you to the State Department's website and FAQs for any further information on the matter. As with all cases impacted by Presidential Proclamation 9645, this case is refused under Section 212(f) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. A consular officer reviewed Ms. Rayiszadeh's application and proposed a waiver. The case is under administrative processing at the moment.

As soon as the processing on Mrs. Rayiszadeh's case is completed, we will contact her directly via e-mail to provide instructions on how to conclude the visa application process.

Please note that the information regarding this visa case is protected from disclosure under section 222(f) of the INA, 8 U.S.C. 1202(f), and in accordance with that law, may only be used for the "formulation, amendment, administration, or enforcement of the immigration, nationality, or other laws of the United States." Since you have inquired on behalf of the applicant, our disclosure to you of the above information from the visa record, which information could be made available to the visa applicant, is consistent with INA section 222(f), 8 U.S.C. 1202(f), and you may share this information with your constituent.

I hope that you find this information helpful in responding to your constituent.

Sincerely,

Deputy Consul General
U.S. Embassy Ankara