**RE: U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s notice of automatic extension of Temporary Protected Status (TPS) designation for El Salvador, Haiti, Nicaragua, Sudan, Nepal and Honduras and “TPS-related documents” until January 4, 2021**

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to affirm that the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has automatically extended Temporary Protected Status (TPS) and the validity of TPS-related documents for those under **TPS designation of El Salvador, Haiti, Nicaragua, Sudan, Nepal, and Honduras until January 4, 2021**. TPS-related documents that are automatically extended include: Employment Authorization Documents (commonly referred to as work permits) and Forms I-797 Notice of Action (Approval Notices).

This extension ensures DHS’s compliance with the preliminary injunction order of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California in *Ramos v. Nielsen*, No.18-cv-01554 (N.D. Cal) and the stay of proceedings in place in Bhattarai v. Nielsen, No. 19-cv-731 (N.D. Cal). **[[1]](#footnote-1)**

When an automatic extension is issued by DHS, the Department does not send TPS beneficiaries any additional documentation showing that their work permits have been extended. However, this extension automatically extends covered TPS holders’ work permit validity for the duration of the extension. For more information about the automatic extension, please see the attached Federal Register Notice, Vol 84, No. 213, November 4, 2019.

If you have any further questions, please call the toll free number of the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of Special Counsel for Immigration Related Unfair Employment Practice’s Employer Hotline at 1-800-255-8155.

A copy of this notice in the Federal Register can be found at the following link:

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-11-04/pdf/2019-24047.pdf

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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1. Please note that should DHS prevail, after all channels of appellate review are exhausted, in its challenge of the court order in *Ramos v. Nielsen*, No.18-cv-01554 (N.D. Cal), the Department may issue a subsequent Federal Register Notice announcing a different expiration date for the validity of TPS-related documentation. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)