

Tracking USCIS International Field Office Closures

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USCIS announced that it plans to maintain operations at its international field offices in Beijing and Guangzhou, China; Nairobi, Kenya; New Delhi, India; Guatemala City, Guatemala; Mexico City, Mexico; and San Salvador, El Salvador. USCIS plan to close the remaining 13 international field offices and three district offices between now and August 2020. The next planned closures are the field offices in Monterrey, Mexico, and Seoul, South Korea, at the end of September.

USCIS will close its international offices, starting with Ciudad Juarez, Mexico and Manila in the Philippines. All offices, including the main district offices for the separate regions, are scheduled to close by March 10, 2020. Watch this page as AILA tracks which offices are closed.

<u>According to *BuzzFeed*</u>, in September 2019, the Monterrey, Mexico, office is projected to close, as well as the station in Seoul, South Korea. By the end of January 2020, the majority of the offices, including those in Mexico City, London, Athens, and Guatemala City, are slated to cease operations. All offices, including the main district offices for the separate regions, are scheduled to close by March 10, 2020.

USCIS's 23 International Offices are in 20 countries around the globe as part of the International Operations Division (IO), a component of the Refugee, Asylum, and International Operations Directorate (RAIO).

View USCIS Processing Time Information for International Operations Offices

List of USCIS International Immigration Offices

Latin America, Canada and the Caribbean (LACC) District

Dominican Republic - Santo Domingo Field Office

El Salvador - San Salvador Field Office

Guatemala - Guatemala City Field Office

Haiti - Port-au-Prince Field Office

Mexico - Ciudad Juarez Field Office (Closed)

Updated on July 26, 2019

USCIS has permanently closed its field office in Ciudad Juárez, Mexico, as of June 30, 2019. The **USCIS Field Office in Mexico City**, **Mexico**, will assume responsibility for certain immigration

services provided to individuals residing in the Mexican states of Baja California Norte, Baja California Sur, Chihuahua, Durango, Sinaloa, and Sonora.

Updated on May 31, 2019

Individuals who were previously assisted by the USCIS Ciudad Juárez Field Office must follow these filing instructions: <u>https://www.uscis.gov/about-us/find-uscis-</u><u>office/international-offices/mexico-uscis-ciudad-juarez-field-office</u>

Updated on May 29, 2019

USCIS will permanently close its field office in Ciudad Juárez, Mexico, on June 30, 2019. The last day the office will accept applications/petitions and be open to the public is May 30, 2019. The **U.S. Consulate** General in Ciudad Juárez will assume responsibility for certain limited services previously provided by USCIS to individuals residing in the Mexican states of Baja California Norte, Baja California Sur, Chihuahua, Durango, Sinaloa, and Sonora.

Mexico - Mexico City Field Office

Mexico - Monterrey Field Office (Closing Soon)

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USCIS will permanently close its field office in Monterrey, Mexico, on September 30, 2019. The last day the office will be open to the public is August 16, 2019. The USCIS Field Office in Mexico City, Mexico, will assume responsibility for certain immigration services provided to individuals residing in the Mexican states of Nuevo Leon, San Luis Potosí, Coahuila, Aguascalientes, Zacatecas, and Tamaulipas. Beginning August 17, 2019, individuals who were previously assisted by the USCIS Monterrey Field Office must follow these filing instructions: https://www.uscis.gov/about-us/find-uscis-office/international-offices/mexicouscis-monterrey-field-office

Peru - Lima Field Office

Asia/Pacific (APAC) District

China - Beijing Field Office

China - Guangzhou Field Office

India - New Delhi Field Office

Philippines - Manila Field Office (Closed)

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USCIS permanently closed its field office in Manila, Philippines, on July 5, 2019. The office began redirecting Forms I-130, Petition for Alien Relative, to the USCIS Lockbox on May 14, 2019. The **U.S. Embassy in Manila** will assume responsibility for certain limited services previously provided by USCIS to individuals residing in the Philippines.

Updated on June 3, 2019

Individuals who were previously assisted by the USCIS Manila Field Office (which includes individuals residing in the Philippines, New Guinea, Micronesia, Marshall Islands, Palau, Kiribati, Tuvalu, Fiji, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Samoa, Wallis, Futuna, New Caledonia, Pitcairn Island, Overseas French territories of French Polynesia, and most island nations in the Pacific region that are not covered by the other field offices in the <u>Asia/Pacific District</u>) must follow these filing instructions: <u>https://www.uscis.gov/about-us/find-uscis-office/international-offices/philippines-uscis-manila-field-office</u>

https://www.aila.org/infonet/uscis-to-close-all-international-offices-by-2020

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USCIS will permanently close its field office in Manila, Philippines, on July 5, 2019. The last day the office will accept applications/petitions and be open to the public is May 31, 2019. The office began redirecting Forms I-130, Petition for Alien Relative, to the USCIS Lockbox on May 14, 2019. The <u>U.S. Embassy in Manila</u> will assume responsibility for certain limited services previously provided by USCIS to individuals residing in the Philippines (see table below).

South Korea - Seoul Field Office (Closing Soon)

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DOS intercountry adoption notice on closure of USCIS Seoul Field Office

<u>USCIS Announces August 16, 2019, as Last Day to File Form I-600A or I-600 Locally</u> with Seoul Field Office

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Effective September 1, 2019, the USCIS Seoul Field Office will no longer process Form N-400, Form N-600, or Form N-600K for overseas military personnel and qualified family members. As of the effective date, the Guam Field Office will assume responsibility for these cases. Officers from the Guam Field Office will travel to Asia Pacific locations as necessary.

New Cases Filed After Seoul Field Office Closure:

Please review the USCIS filing instructions located at <u>www.uscis.gov/n-400</u> and <u>www.uscis.gov/n-600</u> and <u>www.uscis.gov/n-600k</u>. You must file these forms with the appropriate USCIS Lockbox facilities.

Cases Currently Pending with the USCIS Seoul Field Office:

The USCIS Seoul Field Office may not be able to complete adjudication of pending Form N-400, Form N-600, and Form N-600K applications for overseas military personnel and qualified family members. Those cases have been transferred to the Guam Field Office to complete processing.

USCIS will issue a Form I-797C, Notice of Action for cases that have been transferred to the Guam Field Office. Please refer to the Notice of Action for additional information or contact the Guam Field Office by email at **guamoverseasmilnatz@uscis.dhs.gov**.

USCIS has a toll-free military help line, 877-CIS-4MIL (877-247-4645), TTY (800) 877-8339 and e-mail address at **militaryinfo@uscis.dhs.gov** exclusively for current members of the military and their families as well as veterans. USCIS representatives are available to answer calls Monday through Friday from 8 am to 4 pm (CT), excluding federal holidays.

Members of the U.S. armed forces and their families stationed in the U.S. or overseas may access the help line using the toll-free number through their base telephone operator or using the Defense Switched Network (DSN).

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Lockbox after August 16, 2019. The U.S. embassy in Seoul will assume responsibility for certain limited services previously provided by USCIS to individuals residing in South Korea. Beginning after August 16, 2019, individuals who were previously assisted by the USCIS Seoul Field Office (which includes individuals residing in Korea and Japan) must follow these filing instructions: https://www.uscis.gov/about-us/find-uscis-office/international-offices/south-korea-uscis-seoul-field-office

Thailand - Bangkok Field Office

Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA) District

Germany - Frankfurt Field Office Ghana - Accra Field Office Greece - Athens Field Office Italy - Rome Field Office Jordan - Amman Field Office Kenya - Nairobi Field Office Russia - Moscow Field Office (Closed) South Africa - Johannesburg Field Office United Kingdom - London Field Office

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