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The United States Mission to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions to the United Nations and has the honor to inform all Missions of updated requirements for G-1, G-2, or G-3 visa applications and for requests for a change into such visa status. The diplomatic note described below is generally not required for routine renewals of G-1, G-2, or G-3 visas in the United States.

Beginning July 1, 2014, the sending government must provide the following information in the diplomatic note submitted along with any G-1, G-2, or G-3 visa application outside the United States, and for any request for a change into such visa status in the United States:

- the government representative's name, date of birth, position and title, place of assignment or visit, purpose of travel, a brief description of his or her duties, travel date, and the anticipated length of the tour of duty or stay in the United States; and
- the names, relationships, and dates of birth of any dependents and other members of household who will be accompanying or joining the government representative.

For accredited foreign government representatives who will be assigned to a Permanent Mission in New York for 90 days or more, the note must generally originate from the sending government's Foreign Ministry, and not from a Permanent Mission in the United States. In the

case of a career official currently assigned outside of the United States, the United States Mission may accept a note from the embassy or consulate outside the United States where the official is currently assigned, provided that the note certifies that the sending government's Foreign Ministry requests the visa application. The United States Mission wishes to emphasize that to be eligible for G-1 classification, individuals are expected to perform services for the foreign government at the United Nations on an essentially full-time basis (at least 35 hours per week) and to reside in the New York / New Jersey / Connecticut metropolitan area.

The United States Mission would like to remind the Permanent Missions that the acceptable titles for diplomatic agents include Ambassador, Minister, Minister-Counselor, Counselor, First Secretary, Second Secretary, Third Secretary, Attaché, and Assistant Attaché.

The United States Mission to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.