## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

## The following remarks apply in your case, please disregard unchecked items:

□ If at the time of admission to the United States, you will not have celebrated the second anniversary of your marriage, which is the basis of your immigrant status, you are subject to the provisions of Section 216 of the Immigration and Nationality Act. Under this provision, you will be granted conditional permanent residence by an officer of the US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) at the time of your admission to the United States. As a result, you and your spouse must file a joint petition with the US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to have the conditional basis of your status removed. I-751 petition must be filed within the ninety-day period immediately preceding the second anniversary of the date you were granted conditional permanent resident status. Instructions for filing I-751 petition please visit <a href="http://www.uscis.gov/files/form/I-751instr.pdf">http://www.uscis.gov/files/form/I-751instr.pdf</a>. If a petition to remove the conditional basis of your status is not filed within this period, your conditional permanent residence status will be terminated automatically and you will be subject to deportation from the United States.

If, for any reason, you are unable to use your visa, you are requested to return it to this Office. Failure to return your unused visa may result in an unnecessary delay in the issuance of a visa to some other qualified applicant. Your cooperation in this regard will enable this office to issue a visa to another applicant promptly. You will retain your current priority date for one year from this date should you wish to apply for another immigrant visa within that period to replace one you have not used.

You have come to your Diversity Visa (DV) interview without your family and say they don't want to travel immediately. You should be aware of the following items:

- 1. If your family does not receive their visas before September 30 of this year, they will not be able to travel as lottery winners. There is a limited supply of lottery visas. When they are all distributed no more lottery visas can be given. Even if your family comes to apply before September 30, there may be no visas available. They should apply immediately if they wish to travel soon.
- If they don't get lottery visas then you need to file I-130 petition for them through an USCIS office in the U.S. Instructions for filing I-130 petition for Family Second Preference immigrant visa (F2A) please visit <u>http://www.uscis.gov/files/form/I-130instr.pdf</u>. This process means they will have to wait in Turkey. For waiting period please visit <u>http://travel.state.gov/visa/frvi/bulletin/bulletin\_3925.html</u>
- 3. During this waiting period, qualifying for tourists visas will be extremely difficult. They probably will not be able to visit you in the United States.
- 4. From the day the visas are issued people normally have 6 months to enter the United States. You can still travel first and have your family follow you six months later.
- 5. Your children over 21 years old are not eligible for lottery visas. Apply for lottery visas immediately for any single children who will turn 21 soon. If a child is over 21 then you need to file I-130 petition for him/ her through an USCIS office in the U.S. Instructions for filing I-130 petition for Family Second Preference (F2B) immigrant visa please visit <u>http://www.uscis.gov/files/form/l-130instr.pdf</u>. This process means they will have to wait in Turkey. For waiting period please visit <u>http://travel.state.gov/visa/frvi/bulletin/bulletin\_3925.html</u>

If you would like to schedule an appointment for your family please write a letter to: American Embassy Consular Section, 110 Atatürk Bulvarı, Kavaklıdere, Ankara, Turkey 06100 Or send an email from Embassy's website at http://www.usemb-ankara.org.tr/questiv.htm

or please call 90-312-455 5555 Monday through Thursday between 10.30am and 12.00pm.