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This Departmental Manual Release, 815 DM 2, Waiver of Home Country Physical Presence Requirement is removed and archived.

Departmental Manual Chapter 815 DM 2 describes the purposes and objectives of the Exchange Visitor Program and the procedures to be followed by the Department in making requests as an interested government agency for waiver of the home country physical presence requirement.

The statutory basis for the Exchange Visitor Program is the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, as amended, 22 U.S.C. 2451 et seq., and other relevant authority including Section 101 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended, 8 U.S.C. 1101. The Program purposes are to increase mutual understanding between people of the United States and people of other countries, strengthen the ties between the United States and other nations, and promote international cooperation for educational and cultural advancement.

The chapter is no longer necessary as the authority and responsibility to provide support for a request to waive the home country presence requirement under a J-1 visa are now described in 111 DM 3 – Office of International Affairs. Other program guidance and requirements contained in the chapter are currently provided under the authority of the Department of State through regulations pursuant to the above-mentioned statutory authority currently codified at 22 C.F.R 41.63(a)(2).


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