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Mr. Maurice R. Berez
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111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, 3rd Floor
Washington, DC 20529

Re: Reaffirmation for Designation of the State of Hawaii as a Regional Center
Pursuant to Section 610 of the Appropriations Act of 1993

Dear Mr. Berez:

We are pleased to submit this business plan in support of the State of Hawaii Regional Center reaffirmation. On behalf of the State of Hawaii, the Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism (DBEDT) respectfully requests the State of Hawaii be reaffirmed as "Regional Center" as defined in 8 CFR Section 204.6(e). At your request and to facilitate your review, please see the enclosed binder.

1. Award of Contract to Promote and Administer Hawaii Regional Center

Further to the letter from USCIS dated April 4, 2007, stating notice of intent to terminate the DBEDT's status as a Regional Center under the U.S. Immigrant Investor Pilot Program, and our responses dated, May 2, 2007 and May 14, 2007, outlining the proposed procedure to reaffirm the Hawaii Regional Center, we have retained the services of a third party contractor to administer and promote the Hawaii Regional Center such that it conforms to the requirements issued by your office.

Consistent with the State of Hawaii's regulations guiding awards of government contracts, a Request for Proposals (RFP-07-17-SMSD), stating the requirements of viable third party contractors to reaffirm and administer the Hawaii Regional Center, was issued June 14, 2007, and all proposals were due June 28, 2007. See Exhibit 1-A for a copy of the RFP-07-17-SMSD. Upon review of the submissions, a Notice of Award was issued on January 11, 2008 to CanAm Enterprises, LLC, advising CanAm that it had been awarded the contract. See Exhibit 1-B for a copy of the proposal submitted by CanAm pursuant to RFP-07-17-SMSD. See Exhibit 1-C for a copy of the Notice of Award. The contract was signed April 21, 2008. See Exhibit 1-D for a copy of the signed contract.