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**Special Immigration Alert:**

**Special Immigration Alert: 2012 Diversity Visa Lottery Begins on October 5, 2010, and Ends on November 3, 2010!**

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The Department of State (DOS) announced on September 23, 2010, the opening of the registration period for the DV-2012 Diversity Visa lottery. Entries for the DV-2012 lottery must be submitted electronically between 12:00 p.m. EDT (GMT-4) on Tuesday, October 5, 2010, and 12:00 p.m. EST (GMT-5) on Wednesday, November 3, 2010. It is strongly recommended that applicants not wait until the last week of this registration period to enter because heavy demands could result in website delays. No entries will be accepted after 12:00 p.m. EST on November 3, 2010. During the registration period, information, instructions and the Electronic Diversity Visa Entry Form for the DV-2012 lottery will appear at [www.dvlottery.state.gov](http://www.dvlottery.state.gov).

Foreign nationals considering filling out a DV-2012 application should carefully review the eligibility requirements and instructions on the DOS website. Each eligible applicant can submit only one application to the DV-2012 lottery. However, to maximize this opportunity, each eligible family member (child or spouse) is considered a separate applicant and can submit his or her own application.

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