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Dear Mr. Parsons:

I am writing to inform you of the Department's position on the Immigration and Naturalization Service I-94 form when attached to an I-797 document.

After careful consideration of all relevant issues we have determined that the I-797 document, if accompanied by picture ID in the form of a passport or INS identification document, meets the current identification requirements for the issuance of a Texas driver license or identification certificate. All field office captains have been made aware of this decision and will provide this information to all Driver License Offices in their region. It will also be included in future training sessions and procedural instructions.

I apologize for the delay in rendering this decision, however, we wanted to carefully evaluate the issue.

Sincerely,

CC:

Michael Anderson, Chief

Driver License Division

Representative Miguel "Mike" Wise