Appendix C

Offset in the Per-Country Numerical Level for China-Mainland Born Immigrant Visas (Per Section 2(d) of Pub. L. 102-404)

The Chinese Student Protection Act of 1992 (CSPA) (Pub. L. 102–404 enacted October 9, 1992) provides a basis for certain People's Republic of China nationals already living in the United States to obtain permanent residence through application to USCIS. Beneficiaries of this legislation are accorded status within the skilled worker component of the Employment Third preference and are subject to the worldwide Employment Preference annual limit. They are exempted from the INA 202 percountry limit, however. The CSPA requires that beginning with Fiscal Year 1993, the CHINA–mainland born per-country limit must be reduced by 1,000 numbers annually to compensate for cases processed under this legislation.

Employment Third preference immigrant numbers provided to beneficiaries of the CSPA, outside the CHINA-mainland born per-country annual limit:

FY-1993	41,684
FY-1994	8,953
FY-1995	3,536
FY-1996	139
FY-1997	57
FY-1998	3
FY-1999	3
FY-2000	4
FY-2001	0
FY-2002	1
FY-2003	2
Total	54,382

Unused CHINA-mainland born immigrant numbers under the per-country limit for FY-2003:

	Minus reduction	Minus	Plus numbers	
FY-2003	per Sec. 2(d)(1)	numbers	"recaptured"	UNUSED
Per-country limit	of Pub. L. 102-404	used	under INA 206	numbers
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27,827	1,000	18,909	4	7,922

Offset to the per-country numerical level:

_	Reduction of the CHINA-mainland born annual limit	Unused numbers from the CHINA-mainland born annual limit	Offset	
FY-1993	1,000	576	1,576	
FY-1994	1,000	0	1,000	
FY-1995	1,000	4,329	5,329	
FY-1996	1,000	3,059	4,059	
FY-1997	1,000	4	1,004	
FY-1998	1,000	0	1,000	
FY-1999	1,000	6,330	7,330	
FY-2000	1,000	2,319	3,319	
FY-2001	1,000	0	1,000	
FY-2002	1,000	0	1,000	
FY-2003	1,000	7,922	8,922	
Total	11,000	24,539	35,539	

Numbers remaining for future offset:

As of the end of	Numbers used for CSPA beneficiaries	Total offset for year	Remaining to be offset	
FY-1993	41,684	1,576	40,108	
FY-1994	8,953	1,000	48,061	
FY-1995	3,536	5,329	46,268	
FY-1996	139	4,059	42,348	
FY-1997	57	1,004	41,401	
FY-1998	3	1,000	40,404	
FY-1999	3	7,330	33,077	
FY-2000	4	3,319	29,762	
FY-2001	0	1,000	28,762	
FY-2002	1	1,000	27,763	
FY-2003	2	8,922	18,843	