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Dear Applicant:

Section 214 of the Housing and Community Development act of 1980, as amended, prohibits the Secretary of HUD from making financial assistance available to persons other than U.S. citizens or nationals, or certain categories of eligible noncitizens, in the following HUD programs:

- a. Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments programs;
- b. Section 236 of the National Housing Act including Rental Assistance Payment (RAP); and
- c. Section 101/Rent Supplement Program.

You have applied, or are applying for, assistance under one of these programs; therefore, you are required to declare U.S. Citizenship or submit evidence of eligible immigration status for each of our family members for whom you are seeking housing assistance. You must do the following:

1. Complete a Family Summary Sheet, using the attached Family Summary Sheet to list all family members who will reside in the assisted unit.
2. Each family member (including you) listed on the Family Summary Sheet must complete a Citizenship Declaration. The Citizenship Declaration has easy-to-follow instructions and explains what, if any other forms and/or evidence must be submitted with each Citizenship Declaration.
3. Submit the Family Summary Sheet, the Citizenship Declarations, and any other forms and/or evidence to the name and address listed below:

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Please submit with your housing application.

This Section 214 review will be completed in conjunction with the verification of other aspects of eligibility for assistance. If you have any questions or difficulty in completing the attached items or determining the type of documentation required, please contact Metro Interfaith Housing Management. We will be happy to assist you. Also, if you are unable to provide the required documentation by the date shown above, you should immediately contact this office and request an extension, using the block provided on the Citizen Declaration Format. Failure to provide this information or establish eligible status may result in your not being considered for housing assistance.

If this Section 214 review results in a determination of ineligibility, you will have an opportunity to appeal the decision. Also, if the final determination concludes that only certain members of your family are eligible for assistance, your family may be eligible for proration of assistance. That means that when assistance is available, a reduce amount may be provided for your family based on the number of members who are eligible.

If assistance becomes available and the other aspects of your eligibility review show that you are eligible for housing assistance, that assistance may be provided to you if at least one member of your household has submitted the required documentation. Following verification of the documentation submitted by all family members, assistance may be adjusted depending on the immigration status verified. You will be contacted as soon as we have further information regarding your eligibility for assistance.

