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**Technical Advisory (TA)
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SUBJECT: Temporary Protected Status – South Sudan

Overview:

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) is a temporary status provided to nationals of specifically designated countries that are confronting an ongoing armed conflict, environmental disaster, or extraordinary and temporary conditions. The Secretary of Homeland Security has the discretion of deciding when a country's eligibility is discontinued or extended.

Details:

The Secretary of Homeland Security moved to terminate South Sudan's Temporary Protected Status (TPS). On December 20, 2025, a judge in the U.S. District Court of Massachusetts issued an order that temporarily halted the termination from taking effect.

TPS beneficiaries who present an expired EAD with category A12 or C19, and/or an approved I-821 with the expiration dates November 3, 2023, May 3, 2025, November 3, 2025 or March 13, 2026, remain eligible through **April 10, 2026**. To receive a credential with an expiration date beyond April 10, 2026 individuals must provide alternative proof of lawful presence.

For over-the-counter transactions that do not verify in VLS, the issuance must be abandoned, and a temporary permit may be issued, not extending past April 10, 2026. Individuals who do not meet the requirements outlined in the ADT are not eligible for issuance or for a temporary permit.

Conclusion:

If you need additional information, please contact your next level of management.