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Table XII
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Foreign State	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Africa										
Algeria	62	71	78	67	104	110	87	99	190	274
Angola	15	4	3	15	12	8	15	18	13	18
Benin	17	19	12	7	3	3	6	15	22	28
Botswana	6	4	3	4	2	4	1	2	8	13
Burkina Faso	2	0	0	6	5	4	7	8	5	21
Burundi	10	5	3	2	7	0	4	7	9	5
Cameroon	119	114	186	120	92	110	126	113	174	321
Cape Verde	430	287	342	284	234	230	261	208	352	300
Central African Republic	0	1	1	2	2	1	2	1	4	2
Chad	1	1	2	3	4	3	1	0	1	7
Comoros	2	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	0
Congo, Republic of the	2	2	2	2	10	7	4	4	12	11
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	70	52	26	23	50	37	70	49	57	74
Cote d'Ivoire	65	45	66	83	110	83	131	127	170	238
Djibouti	12	4	3	4	5	1	1	6	7	7
Egypt	1,375	986	914	870	970	849	678	1,009	1,331	1,476
Equatorial Guinea	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	5	1	2
Eritrea	189	126	110	166	198	261	232	191	255	297
Ethiopia	1,296	991	1,249	1,053	878	869	1,094	1,046	1,946	2,961
Gabon	6	7	0	6	5	2	3	0	5	5
Gambia, The	26	21	47	32	40	47	42	36	36	92
Ghana	1,074	945	836	961	743	800	1,005	1,175	1,297	1,847
Guinea	21	24	27	39	33	26	41	39	45	98
Guinea-Bissau	0	6	0	2	3	2	2	0	5	9
Kenya	146	99	137	169	145	211	245	216	363	498
Lesotho	2	2	5	2	0	7	6	3	3	6
Liberia	458	354	298	222	210	235	174	296	374	780
Libya	55	64	41	67	53	47	40	42	52	48
Madagascar	8	6	5	11	13	11	11	5	6	8
Malawi	6	7	7	12	4	6	11	5	4	10
Mali	6	8	16	14	18	12	19	25	19	36
Mauritania	0	2	1	2	6	4	1	3	2	13
Mauritius	9	3	10	2	7	11	5	2	6	9
Morocco	507	478	484	498	310	402	393	328	544	865
Mozambique	8	7	6	7	8	12	8	10	8	18
Namibia	1	5	1	4	9	3	9	2	9	6
Niger	4	3	4	4	3	36	18	11	11	9
Nigeria	2,374	1,888	1,349	1,648	1,589	1,725	1,789	1,788	2,026	2,346
Rwanda	7	6	1	4	3	2	7	4	3	14
Sao Tome and Principe	0	1	0	3	0	0	1	1	0	0
Senegal	137	77	133	143	169	114	179	125	184	314
Seychelles	1	3	1	3	4	3	2	6	3	2
Sierra Leone	363	153	245	468	290	266	254	203	243	353
Somalia	134	91	85	102	148	114	106	115	135	221
South Africa	254	212	286	291	263	312	265	269	292	331

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Africa Continued										
Sudan	127	85	126	155	194	167	228	153	195	313
Swaziland	5	3	1	1	2	3	9	5	4	2
Tanzania	64	38	61	56	58	62	73	55	90	120
Togo	14	7	8	16	18	24	26	28	50	94
Tunisia	36	56	39	52	59	49	45	59	63	83
Uganda	46	36	36	48	36	72	46	88	99	160
Zambia	25	18	13	21	25	21	32	35	43	71
Zimbabwe	38	25	43	47	31	48	40	41	46	78
Africa Total	9,637	7,454	7,352	7,824	7,185	7,439	7,857	8,081	10,822	14,914
Asia										
Afghanistan	424	387	431	437	395	295	197	216	235	273
Bahrain	9	3	9	14	7	7	8	7	12	9
Bangladesh	3,373	2,915	1,561	2,061	1,713	1,738	1,569	2,470	3,776	4,189
Bhutan	3	1	1	0	1	0	2	1	7	3
Brunei	1	1	1	5	1	5	6	1	1	1
Burma	213	180	189	194	159	176	120	231	242	379
Cambodia	1,025	918	869	1,358	1,239	1,535	944	1,097	969	2,137
China - mainland born	13,232	10,597	10,800	13,732	12,668	16,451	16,899	14,723	17,811	20,886
China - PRC nationals adjusting under CSPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
China - Taiwan born	1,362	830	675	936	967	887	766	806	1,025	1,021
East Timor	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	4	2
Hong Kong S.A.R.	515	306	241	296	272	336	218	230	331	291
India	12,202	8,686	7,305	7,644	7,644	8,451	8,153	9,821	12,622	12,905
Indonesia	237	299	335	384	328	329	203	252	414	423
Iran	3,829	2,876	2,382	2,659	2,764	2,450	1,859	2,161	2,900	2,844
Iraq	668	507	656	775	1,034	921	557	448	590	698
Israel	697	475	557	578	637	708	763	609	817	712
Japan	1,377	1,468	1,494	1,763	1,966	1,960	2,074	2,121	2,281	2,248
Jordan	2,003	1,231	1,696	1,807	2,115	1,929	1,464	1,311	1,758	2,115
Korea, North	41	21	45	90	93	96	77	56	69	62
Korea, South	3,316	3,267	3,588	3,475	3,359	3,436	3,002	2,917	3,270	3,167
Kuwait	210	187	252	276	239	211	167	117	180	187
Laos	221	162	119	108	104	145	95	81	105	178
Lebanon	1,283	1,111	881	1,032	1,315	1,092	675	721	967	786
Macau S.A.R.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malaysia	177	147	183	200	177	177	154	165	189	232
Maldives	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
Mongolia	12	4	6	16	24	44	52	68	73	67
Nepal	67	61	43	66	57	117	136	136	219	240
Oman	1	2	1	1	5	5	4	2	5	8
Pakistan	3,865	4,325	4,823	3,830	3,533	3,217	2,551	2,586	2,826	4,139
Palestinian Authority Travel Document	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Philippines	19,971	11,572	11,449	11,324	13,841	14,365	11,527	11,917	13,585	15,757
Qatar	12	11	8	5	22	7	15	11	15	14

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Asia Continued										
Saudi Arabia	90	92	104	133	122	141	127	87	160	283
Singapore	83	77	92	82	98	87	94	65	85	90
Sri Lanka	181	180	166	138	166	119	116	116	245	230
Syria	814	713	506	674	769	654	420	463	783	772
Thailand	741	644	815	993	750	714	487	663	1,013	1,289
United Arab Emirates	42	34	32	33	41	46	33	46	65	87
Vietnam	6,145	4,201	5,547	6,938	8,638	6,775	4,724	4,155	5,609	7,638
Yemen	1,549	1,028	729	1,376	792	775	957	1,133	2,418	2,557
Asia Total	79,992	59,519	58,591	65,434	68,055	70,403	61,216	62,012	77,676	88,919
Europe										
Albania	308	248	196	331	484	485	612	790	1,626	1,927
Andorra	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0
Anguilla	4	4	4	5	9	3	9	3	9	9
Armenia	110	108	146	151	217	229	208	292	364	386
Aruba	3	3	4	3	2	2	5	7	2	10
Austria	106	93	97	87	89	77	66	92	62	73
Azerbaijan	38	48	58	92	109	140	107	111	115	153
Belarus	137	95	117	149	261	326	302	358	218	204
Belgium	140	117	133	133	97	111	103	102	108	102
Bermuda	41	26	33	20	27	32	36	44	41	64
Bosnia and Herzegovina	81	47	41	66	104	170	158	259	475	550
British Virgin Islands	10	7	5	5	6	3	5	2	7	9
Bulgaria	374	271	394	464	610	564	559	576	914	912
Cayman Islands	7	1	4	11	1	5	4	4	4	6
Croatia	83	66	84	74	82	89	92	94	120	163
Cyprus	47	43	30	36	35	42	27	21	29	18
Czech Republic	166	135	154	193	184	199	205	193	194	178
Denmark	145	138	145	149	128	131	108	110	108	110
Estonia	31	42	30	48	43	53	51	38	49	44
Falkland Islands	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Finland	103	78	100	96	81	93	73	78	85	87
France	479	448	485	441	431	383	430	408	452	529
French Guiana	0	1	0	2	0	1	1	2	2	2
French Polynesia	1	1	4	1	1	3	0	0	4	10
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	48	26	39	66	97	226	241	188	173	190
Germany	1,917	1,959	1,805	1,694	1,446	1,344	1,205	1,379	1,701	1,563
Gibraltar	0	0	0	3	2	4	1	1	3	4
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1,776	1,476	1,673	1,848	1,777	1,607	1,656	1,658	1,677	2,065
Greece	328	293	253	228	247	211	196	158	172	167
Greenland	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	12	10	5	10	20	4	5	8	16	17
Hong Kong for BNO Passports	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hungary	277	221	212	205	203	197	232	248	238	255

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Europe Continued										
Iceland	36	24	30	35	33	34	37	34	48	42
Ireland	137	130	164	177	144	121	134	147	205	141
Italy	398	405	328	374	350	346	278	251	324	423
Kazakhstan	75	112	194	497	790	962	921	980	943	766
Kyrgyzstan	21	23	37	47	27	35	41	67	106	170
Latvia	143	107	94	67	84	114	73	89	113	98
Liechtenstein	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lithuania	149	163	167	152	140	150	118	197	299	239
Luxembourg	8	4	2	5	9	7	4	0	5	7
Macau	33	14	13	6	15	30	13	13	15	16
Macedonia	306	241	205	292	357	326	234	299	366	446
Malta	18	29	20	4	14	14	10	9	7	12
Martinique	5	6	5	2	0	0	4	2	3	4
Moldova	77	84	120	150	143	111	94	132	231	154
Monaco	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Montenegro	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
Montserrat	19	9	7	7	6	7	6	4	1	8
Netherlands	231	196	229	228	233	221	230	230	267	242
Netherlands Antilles	18	9	15	9	7	7	9	9	15	11
New Caledonia	1	1	0	1	2	4	1	0	1	1
Northern Ireland (DV only)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norway	144	138	150	143	130	107	98	107	113	113
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Poland	1,468	991	992	1,041	1,178	1,476	1,192	1,365	1,699	1,469
Portugal	231	200	184	136	127	140	150	140	150	146
Reunion	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	3
Romania	1,443	1,094	1,745	2,041	1,927	1,214	665	689	1,324	1,194
Russia	4,625	5,233	5,346	5,417	5,567	6,342	6,127	7,029	6,169	5,615
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Serbia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38
Serbia and Montenegro	534	372	240	249	321	532	530	624	783	1,192
Slovakia	87	59	109	114	115	119	115	118	120	135
Slovenia	7	7	7	7	8	16	11	17	16	22
Spain	353	280	283	289	272	240	261	190	279	328
St. Helena	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sweden	278	251	300	286	261	239	248	274	261	249
Switzerland	218	180	179	175	139	141	125	121	115	116
Tajikistan	5	4	8	11	11	23	23	27	30	37
Turkey	661	549	413	494	563	687	651	549	488	619
Turkmenistan	5	9	13	14	11	11	12	16	23	35
Turks and Caicos Islands	3	4	3	3	1	3	1	1	7	0
Ukraine	449	664	890	1,343	1,973	2,080	1,456	1,607	2,095	1,698
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Uzbekistan	44	49	65	78	125	142	86	188	308	322
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Europe Continued										
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yugoslavia, Federal Republic of	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Europe Total	19,005	17,648	18,809	20,506	21,879	22,737	20,658	22,750	25,900	25,936
North America										
Antigua and Barbuda	80	50	55	48	56	49	43	68	74	81
Bahamas, The	58	54	49	54	46	45	45	43	52	47
Barbados	125	150	105	94	85	105	113	96	109	103
Belize	162	96	132	106	99	99	92	93	110	203
Canada	1,152	842	1,057	978	951	843	757	477	765	1,252
Costa Rica	425	324	252	297	297	321	341	296	426	488
Cuba	882	730	790	1,273	842	1,351	758	752	1,703	2,187
Dominica	188	183	135	158	119	156	125	116	161	211
Dominican Republic	9,210	6,255	4,273	3,424	5,514	4,522	7,761	7,142	6,568	8,921
El Salvador	5,225	4,514	4,155	4,396	3,115	2,919	1,821	1,417	3,508	3,277
Grenada	162	166	121	88	94	109	92	112	180	189
Guatemala	2,088	2,326	2,235	2,674	2,715	3,602	3,343	4,516	5,325	6,193
Haiti	3,227	4,283	6,130	8,689	4,414	4,942	4,283	3,811	3,635	5,063
Honduras	2,713	2,093	1,534	1,718	1,658	1,572	1,225	1,070	2,309	2,113
Jamaica	5,078	3,914	4,145	3,624	3,339	3,941	3,628	3,239	5,244	6,359
Mexico	20,339	22,273	31,329	28,437	36,593	34,794	25,592	21,971	15,862	34,292
Nicaragua	932	518	561	528	541	587	604	609	971	1,277
Panama	950	768	927	420	309	320	207	209	378	448
Saint Kitts and Nevis	82	66	62	56	72	63	52	51	69	74
Saint Lucia	158	116	99	102	104	99	121	100	158	231
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	127	104	99	98	85	94	86	70	122	121
Trinidad and Tobago	1,258	780	723	970	766	786	592	705	890	1,084
North America Total	54,621	50,605	58,968	58,232	61,814	61,319	51,681	46,963	48,619	74,214
Oceania										
Australia	500	513	496	484	530	492	374	475	447	475
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cocos (Keeling) Islands	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cook Islands	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	3	1	1
Fiji	247	194	207	208	224	212	254	354	428	380
Kiribati	2	2	0	1	0	2	0	0	2	3
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	1	0	5	9	11	3	6
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	1	0	2	0	0	2	2	1	1
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
New Zealand	199	176	186	205	222	208	186	200	232	161
Niue	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Palau	4	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Papua New Guinea	7	3	3	6	5	8	5	2	9	7

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Oceania Continued										
Samoa	17	36	28	30	25	33	61	55	25	37
Solomon Islands	1	2	1	6	0	1	3	0	0	1
Tonga	41	27	32	36	36	43	30	50	50	63
Tuvalu	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	5	2
Oceania Total	1,019	955	954	982	1,044	1,007	927	1,152	1,203	1,139
South America										
Argentina	217	170	216	244	283	445	467	278	346	390
Bolivia	382	354	331	311	282	267	290	325	374	680
Brazil	674	653	654	778	861	940	1,014	1,117	1,461	1,456
Chile	334	277	290	332	314	263	221	257	349	406
Colombia	4,314	3,826	3,132	3,215	3,257	4,621	4,504	3,294	4,834	5,411
Ecuador	2,473	2,002	3,279	2,048	2,847	3,722	2,169	2,305	3,158	4,655
Guyana	1,674	676	617	938	1,523	1,604	1,384	1,046	1,986	1,812
Paraguay	91	73	65	75	68	99	62	94	105	138
Peru	3,620	3,026	2,253	2,051	2,134	2,654	1,724	1,549	2,894	3,122
Suriname	27	27	20	25	18	24	26	20	42	33
Uruguay	87	61	50	49	46	60	73	76	85	71
Venezuela	607	434	467	566	477	538	487	405	578	891
South America Total	14,500	11,579	11,374	10,632	12,110	15,237	12,421	10,766	16,212	19,065
Grand Totals	178,774	147,760	156,048	163,610	172,087	178,142	154,760	151,724	180,432	224,187