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Issuing Office	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Africa										
Benin, Cotonou	21	20	19	14	10	3	121	45	108	194
Burkina Faso, Ouagadougou	1	1	2	11	16	4	18	15	42	94
Cameroon, Yaounde	560	450	931	541	580	697	926	649	1,061	1,407
Cape Verde, Praia	799	664	858	783	449	437	530	562	814	850
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the (Congo Kinshasa), Kinshasa	110	113	0	3	23	21	11	0	26	79
Cote d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast), Abidjan	246	619	588	1,055	1,042	976	250	388	378	481
Djibouti, Djibouti	19	36	25	20	22	11	22	23	28	25
Eritrea, Asmara	0	0	0	0	0	264	319	288	322	333
Ethiopia, Addis Ababa	4,688	3,215	3,809	2,570	4,829	3,916	4,721	4,622	5,663	6,671
Gabon, Libreville	16	9	6	14	14	12	19	5	11	22
Ghana, Accra	4,129	3,279	3,191	3,449	2,201	2,851	2,873	2,397	2,697	3,413
Kenya, Nairobi	718	1,084	1,231	1,473	1,576	2,011	2,698	2,587	2,597	2,874
Liberia, Monrovia	836	853	718	781	535	756	638	846	690	1,238
Madagascar, Antananarivo	10	13	11	11	19	21	14	17	11	15
Malawi, Lilongwe	17	19	16	16	6	12	13	4	9	14
Niger, Niamey	9	2	7	8	2	9	15	12	37	34
Nigeria, Lagos	6,206	5,259	4,507	5,308	5,059	4,944	5,751	5,907	5,241	6,511
Senegal, Dakar	340	335	685	1,015	869	618	708	594	718	1,255
Sierra Leone, Freetown	1,091	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Africa, Johannesburg	1,006	1,110	1,032	1,229	1,243	971	1,005	740	781	796
Tanzania, Dar es Salaam	159	127	204	172	184	161	215	118	169	221
Togo, Lome	110	264	210	359	474	617	1,508	1,416	1,190	550
Zambia, Lusaka	133	133	64	78	100	78	104	126	99	99
Zimbabwe, Harare	118	98	90	99	82	128	100	80	101	171
Africa Total	21,342	17,703	18,204	19,009	19,335	19,518	22,579	21,441	22,793	27,347
East Asia and Pacific										
Australia, Perth	118	98	129	121	151	58	0	0	0	0
Australia, Sydney	1,018	981	1,081	1,226	1,541	1,315	1,045	1,173	1,269	1,271
Burma, Rangoon	716	982	886	886	793	698	430	631	756	1,088
Cambodia, Phnom Penh	1,105	1,048	1,003	1,521	1,399	613	121	0	0	0
China - Taiwan born, AIT Taipei	8,377	7,471	5,475	6,437	6,249	6,042	4,919	5,032	4,568	4,012
China - mainland born, Guangzhou	22,440	23,825	24,212	26,030	20,052	27,588	28,836	27,183	33,088	35,916
Fiji, Suva	1,477	1,722	1,520	1,285	1,184	1,014	906	1,301	1,065	1,193
Hong Kong S.A.R., Hong Kong	8,705	8,041	7,190	6,554	8,087	6,534	4,167	4,752	3,518	3,396
Indonesia, Jakarta	394	639	774	928	665	658	572	479	554	561
Japan, Naha	319	299	307	298	345	386	463	402	411	452
Japan, Tokyo	2,337	2,548	2,590	3,095	4,312	3,829	3,604	3,365	3,514	3,139
Korea, South, Seoul	8,002	8,150	8,232	6,767	6,134	6,656	5,480	6,029	6,550	6,295
Laos, Vientiane	254	212	207	176	143	221	161	174	165	262
Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur	328	402	593	485	462	419	469	422	424	446

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East Asia and Pacific Continued										
New Zealand, Auckland	432	473	491	648	588	587	574	560	556	605
Palau, Koror	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea, Port Moresby	16	24	30	35	9	10	32	6	9	4
Philippines, Manila	37,277	24,972	22,227	29,336	29,738	31,404	31,563	35,784	34,587	44,146
Singapore, Singapore	251	300	357	352	555	547	456	386	393	451
Thailand, Bangkok	1,152	1,335	1,489	1,649	1,316	2,180	1,879	2,685	2,729	4,392
Thailand, Orderly Departure Program, Bangkok	15,372	9,742	10,804	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Thailand, Refugee and Migration Affairs, Bangkok	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vietnam, Hanoi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	161
Vietnam, Ho Chi Minh City	0	0	2,302	16,565	17,757	17,793	13,800	17,516	16,557	18,913
East Asia and Pacific Total	110,111	93,264	91,899	104,394	101,480	108,552	99,477	107,880	110,713	126,703
Europe										
Albania, Tirana	4,406	3,910	22	435	3,976	2,612	2,700	2,957	3,819	3,400
Armenia, Yerevan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	439
Austria, Vienna	315	293	327	291	400	302	242	267	229	144
Belgium, Brussels	312	299	342	356	412	369	307	261	288	278
Bermuda, Hamilton	67	61	65	47	63	79	92	75	78	107
Bulgaria, Sofia	2,397	3,804	4,204	3,488	3,020	2,520	3,290	3,033	3,418	2,565
Croatia, Zagreb	220	171	229	211	288	345	306	370	655	722
Cyprus, Nicosia	497	468	392	462	569	485	497	509	320	226
Czech Republic, Prague	643	451	593	609	629	594	719	664	659	511
Denmark, Copenhagen	217	209	234	255	262	264	200	171	182	216
Finland, Helsinki	286	216	270	265	220	251	232	218	252	226
France, Paris	1,187	1,395	1,412	1,409	1,819	1,533	1,338	1,103	1,232	1,372
Georgia, Tbilisi	0	0	0	0	0	0	131	1,397	1,331	1,046
Germany, Frankfurt	4,297	4,718	4,891	4,492	4,463	3,558	2,897	3,259	3,712	3,526
Great Britain and Northern Ireland, London	4,987	4,191	4,372	5,133	6,975	6,137	5,214	5,255	4,864	6,320
Greece, Athens	785	882	4,763	4,052	629	545	457	442	486	524
Hungary, Budapest	396	395	615	953	955	335	417	361	438	353
Iceland, Reykjavik	70	70	49	78	67	66	69	61	73	69
Ireland, Dublin	497	469	481	452	372	328	339	415	529	369
Italy, Naples	1,283	1,365	1,168	1,149	1,087	1,040	1,063	797	863	1,023
Macedonia, Skopje	0	0	0	239	774	676	573	682	844	1,348
Malta, Valletta	58	94	58	48	47	20	0	0	0	0
Netherlands, Amsterdam	419	393	394	474	647	587	465	432	497	492
Norway, Oslo	216	210	237	232	222	162	187	163	164	216
Poland, Warsaw	10,723	9,553	11,890	13,087	11,011	15,355	14,530	14,669	12,280	9,872
Portugal, Lisbon	726	619	449	340	370	306	286	221	263	222
Portugal, Ponta Delgada	269	318	175	178	111	97	72	67	56	56

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Europe Continued										
Romania, Bucharest	4,251	4,413	5,178	4,982	4,336	2,631	2,489	2,343	3,258	2,852
Russia, Moscow	7,679	8,124	8,334	9,044	9,216	9,737	9,544	7,912	6,248	5,935
Serbia, Belgrade	1,661	1,497	610	0	0	663	762	810	840	1,009
Spain, Madrid	558	474	519	490	538	536	497	380	533	636
Sweden, Stockholm	605	578	604	624	708	574	506	533	517	464
Switzerland, Bern	883	713	610	574	548	452	385	317	320	328
Turkey, Ankara	2,259	1,923	3,532	3,917	3,928	3,760	3,535	4,115	3,701	4,280
Turkey, Istanbul	2,949	2,802	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ukraine, Kyiv	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	298	1,515	1,834
Europe Total	56,118	55,078	57,019	58,366	58,662	56,919	54,341	54,557	54,464	52,980
Near East										
Algeria, Algiers	145	59	66	55	103	97	66	104	183	284
Bahrain, Manama	116	100	93	122	116	136	143	158	113	156
Egypt, Cairo	4,142	4,224	4,427	3,697	3,561	2,853	2,680	3,874	6,039	6,287
Israel, Jerusalem	1,303	719	707	977	1,865	1,598	1,384	1,047	1,726	1,611
Israel, Tel Aviv	1,270	1,209	1,469	1,752	1,861	1,942	1,821	1,782	1,559	1,293
Jordan, Amman	3,650	2,927	4,041	3,879	3,343	2,954	2,451	2,971	2,881	2,822
Kuwait, Kuwait	385	279	436	429	525	385	281	574	491	858
Lebanon, Beirut	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,285	1,606
Morocco, Casablanca	1,670	1,708	2,795	2,676	3,722	1,565	2,421	2,146	2,819	2,771
Oman, Muscat	125	115	225	152	196	171	259	346	294	416
Qatar, Doha	127	119	235	162	178	133	78	129	238	423
Saudi Arabia, Riyadh	1,238	1,169	1,421	1,368	1,485	881	662	502	830	855
Syria, Damascus	3,010	3,375	2,659	3,430	3,966	2,865	2,341	2,480	2,119	1,648
Tunisia, Tunis	183	550	686	579	486	645	452	393	528	646
United Arab Emirates, Abu Dhabi	2,280	2,160	2,506	2,747	3,332	2,825	1,752	2,675	3,728	3,340
United Arab Emirates, Abu Dhabi - Beirut Files	112	151	133	95	25	0	0	0	0	0
Yemen, Sanaa	1,980	1,469	1,327	2,392	1,273	1,180	1,316	1,519	3,241	3,352
Near East Total	21,736	20,333	23,226	24,512	26,037	20,230	18,107	20,700	28,074	28,368
South and Central Asia										
Bangladesh, Dhaka	7,974	8,208	4,901	6,018	4,955	3,608	3,280	6,379	8,933	10,270
India, Chennai	4,838	4,369	4,280	4,277	5,826	5,503	5,018	5,352	6,806	6,942
India, Kolkata	97	80	121	97	121	78	53	36	15	13
India, Mumbai	13,306	12,534	10,912	11,381	12,517	12,021	12,187	11,582	13,451	13,315
India, New Delhi	9,042	7,487	7,244	7,413	7,688	5,660	7,804	9,320	10,338	10,405
Kazakhstan, Almaty	0	0	0	0	0	0	576	2,060	2,224	1,956
Nepal, Kathmandu	268	363	303	240	516	734	1,951	2,002	2,143	2,005

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Pakistan, Islamabad	9,915	10,477	13,098	10,428	11,922	6,811	6,542	6,163	5,556	7,746
Sri Lanka, Colombo	592	618	543	429	644	640	775	463	649	688
Uzbekistan, Tashkent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	259
South and Central Asia Total	46,032	44,136	41,402	40,283	44,189	35,055	38,186	43,357	50,115	53,599
Western Hemisphere										
Argentina, Buenos Aires	656	563	709	791	962	1,121	950	560	659	687
Bahamas, The, Nassau	174	126	136	124	110	113	99	177	155	116
Barbados, Bridgetown	2,453	2,592	2,826	2,269	2,197	1,910	1,928	1,992	2,096	2,234
Belize, Belmopan	433	222	315	378	298	256	183	173	202	307
Bolivia, La Paz	604	679	781	699	636	534	620	494	605	992
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	1,098	1,172	1,177	1,471	1,729	1,612	1,651	1,522	2,077	2,109
Canada, Montreal	5,087	5,582	5,900	5,747	9,073	8,051	6,558	4,831	5,179	5,866
Canada, Vancouver	1,060	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chile, Santiago	549	495	476	609	525	425	347	376	469	512
Colombia, Bogota	6,670	6,248	5,950	6,089	5,135	6,718	6,344	5,470	6,579	7,749
Costa Rica, San Jose	645	560	459	537	481	479	502	434	630	655
Cuba, Havana	3,130	2,677	4,679	4,523	3,421	2,829	2,568	3,130	3,289	4,054
Dominican Republic, Santo Domingo	21,381	15,556	13,458	11,705	14,607	15,367	22,908	22,770	21,852	21,553
Ecuador, Guayaquil	4,911	4,587	7,158	4,664	5,489	5,997	4,314	4,229	5,583	7,472
El Salvador, San Salvador	9,316	7,325	9,023	8,577	6,393	5,150	4,163	3,019	5,831	6,360
Guatemala, Guatemala	3,568	3,803	4,097	4,144	3,797	4,685	4,424	5,613	6,241	7,344
Guyana, Georgetown	5,639	2,214	2,036	4,326	5,978	8,050	5,674	4,365	6,562	5,429
Haiti, Port-au-Prince	10,125	9,838	14,226	18,434	13,444	11,225	8,537	8,466	7,044	7,169
Honduras, Tegucigalpa	4,471	3,664	2,748	3,044	3,004	2,418	2,196	2,089	3,726	3,009
Jamaica, Kingston	12,203	9,595	11,444	9,748	8,265	8,584	8,924	7,983	9,591	10,861
Mexico, Ciudad Juarez	56,245	57,057	83,968	68,438	63,266	53,257	39,969	44,835	36,396	52,546
Netherlands Antilles, Curacao	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nicaragua, Managua	1,324	854	1,030	976	891	826	920	988	1,329	1,879
Panama, Panama	1,478	1,227	1,383	1,093	733	717	487	478	625	759
Paraguay, Asuncion	197	167	180	181	230	186	96	152	144	185
Peru, Lima	5,848	5,755	5,158	4,428	4,612	5,252	4,331	4,133	5,953	6,372
Suriname, Paramaribo	105	100	77	148	104	88	103	78	99	110
Trinidad and Tobago, Port of Spain	2,901	2,415	2,281	3,117	2,435	2,116	2,089	2,080	1,908	2,065
Uruguay, Montevideo	134	106	87	101	117	111	144	158	126	91
Venezuela, Caracas	1,145	1,008	1,019	1,389	1,139	1,178	1,094	896	1,139	1,583
Western Hemisphere Total	163,550	146,187	182,781	167,750	159,071	149,255	132,123	131,491	136,089	160,068
Grand Totals	418,889	376,701	414,531	414,314	408,774	389,529	364,813	379,426	402,248	449,065