

Table XII
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Foreign State	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Africa										
Algeria	50	65	80	66	62	71	78	67	104	110
Angola	6	13	4	6	15	4	3	15	12	8
Benin	4	4	3	4	17	19	12	7	3	3
Botswana	6	3	4	11	6	4	3	4	2	4
Burkina Faso	3	5	3	6	2	-	-	6	5	4
Burundi	-	1	5	3	10	5	3	2	7	0
Cameroon	35	50	70	86	119	114	186	120	92	110
Cape Verde	190	233	242	263	430	287	342	284	234	230
Central African Republic	5	-	1	4	-	1	1	2	2	1
Chad	-	-	1	2	1	1	2	3	4	3
Comoros	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	1	-	2
Congo, Republic of the	1	4	3	8	2	2	2	2	10	7
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	23	32	47	48	70	52	26	23	50	37
Cote d'Ivoire	34	36	31	51	65	45	66	83	110	83
Djibouti	2	1	2	5	12	4	3	4	5	1
Egypt	974	882	966	1,219	1,375	986	914	870	970	849
Equatorial Guinea	1	1	1	-	2	2	-	-	-	1
Eritrea ¹	68	167	237	216	189	126	110	166	198	261
Ethiopia	541	472	753	885	1,296	991	1,249	1,053	878	869
Gabon	3	-	1	5	6	7	-	6	5	2
Gambia	7	7	25	19	26	21	47	32	40	47
Ghana	407	410	433	766	1,074	945	836	961	743	800
Guinea	11	13	11	19	21	24	27	39	33	26
Guinea-Bissau	2	-	-	5	-	6	-	2	3	2
Kenya	106	101	104	144	146	99	137	169	145	211
Lesotho	2	1	4	7	2	2	5	2	-	7
Liberia	210	311	284	324	458	354	298	222	210	235
Libya	37	37	45	47	55	64	41	67	53	47
Madagascar	9	7	4	10	8	6	5	11	13	11
Malawi	10	4	10	7	6	7	7	12	4	6
Mali	7	2	9	12	6	8	16	14	18	12
Mauritania	1	-	-	1	-	2	1	2	6	4
Mauritius	11	10	7	7	9	3	10	2	7	11
Morocco	256	269	330	413	507	478	484	498	310	402
Mozambique	11	7	8	5	8	7	6	7	8	12
Namibia	6	1	8	5	1	5	1	4	9	3
Niger	9	-	6	8	4	3	4	4	3	36
Nigeria	759	800	1,462	1,856	2,374	1,888	1,349	1,648	1,589	1,725
Rwanda	2	1	6	4	7	6	1	4	3	2
Sao Tome and Principe	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	3	-	-
Senegal	29	51	52	69	137	77	133	143	169	114
Seychelles	7	8	10	7	1	3	1	3	4	3
Sierra Leone	105	212	192	307	363	153	245	468	290	266
Somalia	101	104	104	114	134	91	85	102	148	114
South Africa	320	337	226	269	254	212	286	291	263	312
Sudan	42	28	80	113	127	85	126	155	194	167
Swaziland	-	3	5	4	5	3	1	1	2	3
Tanzania	51	60	60	55	64	38	61	56	58	62
Togo	7	6	6	6	14	7	8	16	18	24
Tunisia	29	36	32	42	36	56	39	52	59	49
Uganda	26	51	32	32	46	36	36	48	36	72
Zambia	13	13	25	22	25	18	13	21	25	21
Zimbabwe	39	40	29	36	38	25	43	47	31	48

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Africa—Continued										
Africa Total	4,578	4,899	6,064	7,626	9,637	7,454	7,352	7,824	7,185	7,439
Asia										
Afghanistan	350	391	341	462	424	387	431	437	395	295
Bahrain	8	8	8	8	9	3	9	14	7	7
Bangladesh	849	602	675	1,017	3,373	2,915	1,561	2,061	1,713	1,738
Bhutan	1	-	1	-	3	1	1	-	1	-
Brunei	1	2	1	5	1	1	1	5	1	5
Burma	137	147	138	202	213	180	189	194	159	176
Cambodia	335	486	806	820	1,025	918	869	1,358	1,239	1,535
China—mainland born	8,867	7,501	8,611	11,067	13,232	10,597	10,800	13,732	12,668	16,451
—Taiwan born	1,053	752	906	1,576	1,362	830	675	936	967	887
East Timor ²										-
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	452	391	448	535	515	306	241	296	272	336
India	7,672	6,791	6,580	8,424	12,202	8,686	7,305	7,644	7,644	8,451
Indonesia	175	166	206	212	237	299	335	384	328	329
Iran	2,541	2,974	2,843	3,689	3,829	2,876	2,382	2,659	2,764	2,450
Iraq	962	580	661	660	668	507	656	775	1,034	921
Israel	588	574	497	596	697	475	557	578	637	708
Japan	1,112	1,194	1,383	1,305	1,377	1,468	1,494	1,763	1,966	1,960
Jordan	1,253	1,280	1,511	1,831	2,003	1,231	1,696	1,807	2,115	1,929
Korea	4,607	3,982								
Korea, North			58	78	41	21	45	90	93	96
Korea, South			3,520	3,252	3,316	3,267	3,588	3,475	3,359	3,436
Kuwait	174	164	172	227	210	187	252	276	239	211
Laos	202	141	181	192	221	162	119	108	104	145
Lebanon	1,257	1,254	1,120	1,154	1,283	1,111	881	1,032	1,315	1,092
Malaysia	166	162	157	137	177	147	183	200	177	177
Maldives	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	2
Mongolia	3	1	5	3	12	4	6	16	24	44
Nepal	55	55	49	72	67	61	43	66	57	117
Oman	1	5	2	1	1	2	1	1	5	5
Pakistan	1,919	1,617	1,721	2,238	3,865	4,325	4,823	3,830	3,533	3,217
Philippines	23,413	20,149	16,134	20,824	19,971	11,572	11,449	11,324	13,841	14,365
Qatar	9	3	12	6	12	11	8	5	22	7
Saudi Arabia	62	55	83	99	90	92	104	133	122	141
Singapore	99	95	87	77	83	77	92	82	98	87
Sri Lanka	108	155	147	162	181	180	166	138	166	119
Syria	597	627	672	715	814	713	506	674	769	654
Thailand	763	666	613	648	741	644	815	993	750	714
United Arab Emirates	6	13	19	31	42	34	32	33	41	46
Vietnam	5,764	4,105	4,534	4,629	6,145	4,201	5,547	6,938	8,638	6,775
Yemen	985	537	931	1,110	1,548	1,028	729	1,376	792	775
Asia Total	66,871	57,625	55,833	68,064	79,992	59,519	58,591	65,434	68,055	70,403
Europe										
Albania	119	350	277	212	308	248	196	331	484	485
Andorra	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Armenia	40	80	82	76	110	108	146	151	217	229
Austria	97	91	93	82	106	93	97	87	89	77
Azerbaijan	18	18	30	33	38	48	58	92	109	140

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Europe—Continued										
Belarus	122	57	62	124	137	95	117	149	261	326
Belgium	123	87	101	118	140	117	133	133	97	111
Bosnia-Herzegovina	73	49	52	46	81	47	41	66	104	170
Bulgaria	237	224	241	348	374	271	394	464	610	564
Croatia	105	101	97	90	83	66	84	74	82	89
Cyprus	50	46	51	33	47	43	30	36	35	42
Czechoslovakia ³	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Czech Republic ³	157	147	155	124	166	135	154	193	184	199
Denmark	183	169	159	178	145	138	145	149	128	131
Greenland	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	2
Estonia	5	18	14	30	31	42	30	48	43	53
Finland	90	82	80	90	103	78	100	96	81	93
France	518	538	497	503	479	448	485	441	431	383
French Guiana	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	1
French Polynesia	4	3	2	1	1	1	4	1	1	3
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guadeloupe	5	10	5	11	12	10	5	10	20	4
Martinique	4	-	4	2	5	6	5	2	-	-
New Caledonia	-	1	1	1	1	1	-	1	2	4
Reunion	1	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-
St. Pierre and Miquelon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wallis and Futuna	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Georgia	19	35	88	105	48	26	39	66	97	226
Germany	2,762	2,998	2,274	1,746	1,917	1,959	1,805	1,694	1,446	1,344
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	2,544	2,177	1,907	1,713	1,776	1,476	1,673	1,848	1,777	1,607
Anguilla	6	3	4	5	4	4	4	5	9	3
Bermuda	53	36	41	39	41	26	33	20	27	32
British Virgin Islands	11	5	2	3	10	7	5	5	6	3
Cayman Islands	1	1	1	4	7	1	4	11	1	5
Falkland Islands	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Gibraltar	-	3	-	1	-	-	-	3	2	4
Montserrat	16	10	8	8	19	9	7	7	6	7
Pitcairn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Helena	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Turks and Caicos Islands	2	1	4	6	3	4	3	3	1	3
Greece	474	368	362	313	328	293	253	228	247	211
Hungary	202	182	224	216	277	221	212	205	203	197
Iceland	37	38	48	45	36	24	30	35	33	34
Ireland	215	214	182	149	137	130	164	177	144	121
Italy	427	428	378	370	398	405	328	374	350	346
Kazakhstan	31	68	47	43	75	112	194	497	790	962
Kyrgyzstan	6	6	9	18	21	23	37	47	27	35
Latvia	39	55	80	119	143	107	94	67	84	114
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Lithuania	70	155	151	148	149	163	167	152	140	150
Luxembourg	4	6	2	7	8	4	2	5	9	7
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of ⁴		96	198	206	306	241	205	292	357	326
Malta	20	39	22	20	18	29	20	4	14	14
Moldova	21	24	64	79	77	84	120	150	143	111
Monaco	-	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-
Netherlands	249	319	263	232	231	196	229	228	233	221
Aruba	7	2	5	5	3	3	4	3	2	2
Netherlands Antilles	22	10	7	11	18	9	15	9	7	7

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Oceania—Continued										
Cocos Islands	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Fiji	163	206	273	228	247	194	207	208	224	212
Kiribati	2	4	1	4	2	2	-	1	-	2
Marshall Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	5
Micronesia, Federated States of	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	-
Nauru	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Zealand	176	157	147	157	199	176	186	205	222	208
Cook Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Niue	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Pacific Islands, Trust Territory of the ⁷	2	1								
Palau ⁷			-	-	4	1	-	1	1	-
Papua New Guinea	4	-	4	12	7	3	3	6	5	8
Samoa	36	34	40	37	17	36	28	30	25	33
Solomon Islands	-	2	-	1	1	2	1	6	-	1
Tonga	29	41	48	39	41	27	32	36	36	43
Tuvalu	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Vanuatu	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	2
Oceania Total	913	869	939	955	1,019	955	954	982	1,044	1,007
South America										
Argentina	285	275	245	268	217	170	216	244	283	445
Bolivia	333	297	220	267	382	354	331	311	282	267
Brazil	736	757	810	687	674	653	654	778	861	940
Chile	344	364	352	306	334	277	290	332	314	263
Colombia	3,843	3,578	2,872	3,364	4,314	3,826	3,132	3,215	3,257	4,621
Ecuador	1,526	1,592	1,582	1,836	2,473	2,002	3,279	2,048	2,847	3,722
Guyana	1,802	1,505	1,337	2,090	1,674	676	617	938	1,523	1,604
Paraguay	484	546	412	318	91	73	65	75	68	99
Peru	3,430	3,178	1,916	2,882	3,620	3,026	2,253	2,051	2,134	2,654
Suriname	21	27	24	31	27	27	20	25	18	24
Uruguay	122	114	67	65	87	61	50	49	46	60
Venezuela	415	432	439	570	607	434	467	566	477	538
South America Total	13,341	12,665	10,276	12,684	14,500	11,579	11,374	10,632	12,110	15,237
Grand Total	161,777	160,274	125,822	147,883	178,774	147,760	156,048	163,610	172,087	178,142

¹ On April 27, 1993, the United States recognized the independence of Eritrea.

² East Timor voted for independence from Indonesia in an August 30, 1999 referendum and was under the authority of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET) until May 20, 2002. On May 20, 2002, East Timor became an independent nation; on that date, the United States Government established diplomatic relations with East Timor. As a result, a separate immigrant visa chargeability was established for East Timor.

³ On January 1, 1993, the United States recognized the independence of the Czech Republic and Slovakia, separate states that had previously comprised Czechoslovakia.

⁴ On February 8, 1994, the United States recognized the independence of The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

⁵ Effective December 20, 1999, Macau was returned to Chinese administration and was designated as the Special Administrative Region of Macau. Title II (United States-Macau Policy Act of 2000) of Pub. L. 106-570 (Assistance for International Malaria Control Act) enacted December 27, 2000 provides that, notwithstanding any change in the exercise of sovereignty over Macau, the laws of the United States shall continue to apply with respect to Macau in the same manner as before December 20, 1999.

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- ⁶ On November 17, 2000, the United States Government established diplomatic relations with the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, recognizing it as an independent state. The former practice of using Serbia and Montenegro for the name of this entity was discontinued.
- ⁷ On October 1, 1994, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (Palau) ended its status as a United Nations Trust Territory administered by the United States and became an independent state, in free association with the United States.