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WHAT:

Extension of Salvadoran Temporary Protective Status (TPS) through March 9, 2012 and New Re-registration Period

WHEN AND WHERE:

CARECEN Office, 1460 Columbia Rd, NW, C-1, Washington, DC 20009:

July 12- September 8, 2010, Monday- Friday, 9AM- 12PM and 1PM- 4PM

Workshops in Maryland and Virginia; Call CARECEN Office at (202) 328-9799 for locations:

Saturday, July 31, 2010, 10:30 AM- 2:30 PM

Saturday, August 7, 2010, 10:30 AM- 2:30 PM

Saturday, August 28, 2010, 10:30 AM- 2:30 PM

WHO: CARECEN

Washington, DC, July 9, 2010: Temporary Protective Status (TPS) is now extended for 18 months from its current expiration date of **September 7, 2010**, through **March 9, 2012**. Nationals of El Salvador who have been granted TPS previously must re-register for the 18-month extension during the 60-day re-registration period, which begins **July 9, 2010** and will remain in effect until **September 7, 2010**.

CARECEN will be assisting in the preparation of TPS renewals for Salvadoran nationals from July 12, 2010- September 8, 2010, Monday through Friday. In an effort to reach more communities, CARECEN will also be conducting three workshops, on July 31, August 7, and August 28, 2010, in Maryland and Virginia locations. Salvadorans who wish to renew their TPS should bring with them a copy of their current Employment Authorization card, a money order for \$80, a money order for \$340 if applying for Employment Authorization, and copies of any court dispositions, if a petitioner has been previously arrested.

Late Initial TPS is available for certain Salvadoran nationals who have been residing in the United States since February 13, 2001, under limited circumstances. Other Salvadoran nationals may qualify for the Good Cause TPS exception, if they originally registered for TPS when it was first available in 2001, but missed re-registration. Petitioners who believe they may be eligible for Late Initial or Good Cause TPS should contact CARECEN to see if they qualify for either of these exceptions.

For more information regarding TPS renewals for El Salvador, please contact CARECEN at (202) 328-9799.

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