## Temporary Protected Status (TPS) Update: December 2023

The Biden Administration **rescinded** Trump's termination of TPS designations for El Salvador, Honduras, Nepal and Nicaragua, while also announcing an **extension** of TPS for these countries for **18 months**. Now the administration is **reiterating** the *extension of the re-registration* period for these countries through the <u>Federal Register</u> notice (FRN).

What does this mean for current TPS beneficiaries from El Salvador, Honduras, Nepal and Nicaragua? Unlike "previous automatic extensions," which stemmed from the pending *Ramos* case, current TPS beneficiaries from these countries have to **register** and **file** for TPS and work permit applications along with their associated fees, during the re-registration period as set forth in the *FRN*.

• **OJO**: This is different from the "automatic extensions" the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) previously announced where TPS beneficiaries could rely on the Federal Register notice and their existing (expired) work authorization cards to prove their status.

When do I need to register and file for TPS? As soon as possible! If current TPS beneficiaries continue to meet the eligibility requirements for TPS, they must re-register during their respective re-registration period.

Please note DHS extended the TPS designation of these countries as follows:

- El Salvador- from September 10, 2023 through March 9, 2025. Current beneficiaries <u>must</u> re-register during the <u>re-registration period</u>; currently open through March 09, 2025.
- **Honduras** from *January 06, 2024* through *July 05, 2025*. Current beneficiaries <u>must</u> re-register during the <u>re-registration period</u>; currently open through **July 05, 2025**.
- Nepal- from *December 25, 2023* through *June 24, 2025*. Current beneficiaries <u>must</u> re-register during the <u>re-registration period</u>; currently open through **June 24, 2025**.
- **Nicaragua** from *January 06, 2024* through *July 05, 2025*. Current beneficiaries <u>must</u> re-register during the **re-registration period**; currently open through **July 05, 2025**.

What can I do if I have more questions? All directly impacted people should consult with a trusted immigration attorney or accredited representative to explore their options, and come out to our bi-weekly committee meetings to join us in fighting back! Additionally, please refer to our <u>TPS Chart</u> for the latest information on TPS countries and their registration period.

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