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Judge: U.S. CIS hasn't complied with H-2B visa order



The U.S. Customs and Immigration Service has failed to comply with a District Court of Guam order in the H-2B Foreign Labor lawsuit filed by the Guam Contractors Association.

That's the conclusion of a report and recommendation signed today by Magistrate Judge Joaquin Manibusan. He found that the U.S. CIS has not complied with a January 2018 preliminary injunction order by Chief Judge Frances Tydingco Gatewood. They were enjoined to revert back to a previous long-standing review process in which a high percentage of H-2B visas were approved.

But in his 13-page report, Judge Manibusan quoted GCA statistics that show that while 100 percent of visa applications for military projects have been approved, zero applications have been approved for non-military projects. U.S. Justice Department lawyers representing USCIS have two weeks to respond.

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Whether intentional or not, the U.S. Customs and Immigration Service is doing Guam a huge favor by forcing our government to develop a training program and recruit locals into the construction field. These should be good paying middle class income jobs and if filled by locals, it's good for Guam. It's a thankless job the US CIS is doing. Cheap labor and human trafficking is obviously big business around these parts. If you have heard the expression, "its man keeping down" and ever wondered exactly who the man is, he the those bringing this law suit to support cheap labor.

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