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6 FAM 140

ALLOWABLE TRAVEL AND MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

CHANGES

1. **6 FAM 142, Expenses Allowable, subparagraph a(18):** This subparagraph has been deleted to rescind a change regarding reimbursement for expenses of laundry, dry cleaning and pressing of clothing at a domestic (CONUS) TDY location issued under TL:GS-119, dated 10-21-2003. The Department has made a decision that the funds to implement this change can be more wisely spent in other areas that support diplomatic and consular programs and personnel abroad.

2. **6 FAM 143, Expenses not Allowable, subparagraph (5):** The change to this subparagraph issued under TL:GS-119, dated 10-21-2003, has been deleted regarding reimbursement for laundry, dry-cleaning and pressing charges incurred while on a CONUS domestic TDY assignment. The Department has made a decision that the funds to implement this change can be more wisely spent in other areas that support diplomatic and consular programs and personnel abroad..

3. Revisions since the last update appear in italics. Other than formal titles, the italics will be removed the next time the material is updated. Only current changes will appear in italics. Italics provide a historical record of changes.

4. Under the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998, Public Law 105-277, the functions of the U.S. Information Agency related to International Broadcasting are transferred to the Broadcasting Board of Governors. Accordingly, all provisions of the FAM previously applicable to USIA continue in effect with respect to the BBG until further notice.

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