

VISA DENIAL LETTER FORM 214(b)

What is the Form 214(b)?

The Form 214(b) denial is given because the Consular Officer has *not* been convinced that:

- 1) The applicant plans to return to their home country
- 2) The applicant has sufficient funds to complete the trip without gaining employment within the U.S.
- 3) The applicant will be engaging in activities consistent with the visa status requested

When you receive this form, the Consular Officer has determined that you did not meet the eligibility or admissibility requirements. Your application has not been put on hold, it has been denied.

How do I know the reason I received it?

The letter will explain general reasons for such denials, and will specify the reason or reasons for your denial.

What Are My Options?

This denial is final, but it is not permanent; you can apply again. The denial can be overcome if you can provide better evidence in the interview demonstrating strong ties that you are compelled to return to your home country. However, some cases require that you experience a significant change of circumstances before you apply again. If you are unable to overcome the denial again, be sure to find out the exact reason before you leave. There is no appeal process, but you can apply again.

How soon can I apply again and how often?

You are free to apply again as soon as you want, but it is only recommended to do so when you have a valid reason, such as having corrected the reason for the denial or having a significant change in your circumstances. You are free to apply as many times as you like, but remember that a record is kept of each denial. Many applicants for student visas are approved on their second or third attempt. It is also recommended to secure the counsel of an immigration attorney or an immigration specialist.

Do not lose hope!

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