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BORDER UPDATE ALERT

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NEXUS LAND UPDATE:

CURRENTLY NEXUS LAND OPERATES ON A LOCALIZED DATABASE BY PORT IN WHICH THE CARD WAS ISSUED.

IN MAY 2004 CANADA WILL HAVE COMPLETED ITS WORK TO ACHIEVE A CENTRALIZED DATABASE CAPABILITY. THE U.S. WILL THEN HARMONIZE WITH THAT PRODUCT. AUGUST 2004 WILL BE THE INTRODUCTION OF A BORDER-WIDE SYSTEM WHERE THE CARDS CAN BE USED AT ANY NEXUS LAND PORT.

RADIO FREQUENCY CAPABILITY HAS NOT AS YET BEEN INSTALLED IN CANADA BUT WILL BE BY NOVEMBER. THIS IS A TECHNICAL SYSTEM DECISION AND FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE TO INSTALL THE EQUIPMENT ONCE THE TECHNICAL DECISION IS FINALIZED. IN THE INTERIM, WHILE LICENSE PLATE READERS ARE STILL OPERATING, A NEXUS CARD HOLDER CAN USE THE LANE IF THEY ARE IN ANOTHER VEHICLE (BUSINESS RENTAL CAR ETC.) THAN HAS BEEN REGISTERED WITH THE PROGRAM. PLATE NUMBERS ARE NOT A FACTOR WHEN ENTERING THE U.S.

BETWEEN NOW AND AUGUST , IF A NEXUS CARD HOLDER ISSUED AT ONE PORT HAS REASON TO CROSS AT ANOTHER NEXUS PORT ROUTINELY, THEY CAN CONTACT NEXUS AND THEIR DATA WILL BE ADDED TO THAT DATABASE OR A CARD FOR THAT PORT WILL ALSO BE ISSUED TO THEM AT NO CHARGE.

AFTER AUGUST THE LOCAL DATABASES WILL BE QUERIED FIRST WHEN A CARD IS PRESENTED FOR EFFICIENCY. IF NOT FOUND THE NATIONAL DATABASE WILL BE ACCESSED AND THE CARD HOLDERS CROSSING VALIDATED WITHOUT DELAY.

EFFORTS ARE UNDERWAY TO INSTITUTE THE POLICY THAT AN INDIVIDUAL APPROVED FOR INSTANCE FOR NEXUS LAND ALSO WOULD BE APPROVED FOR NEXUS AIR BY REQUESTING IT.

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