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Please see statement below:

CBP Statement:

“U.S. Customs and Border Protection is the agency within the U.S. Department of Homeland Security charged with securing U.S. borders. With nearly 60,000 CBP employees, CBP protects the U.S. from terrorism, human and drug smuggling, agriculture pests and other illegal and dangerous activity, while simultaneously facilitating the flow of travel and trade.

The United States is a welcoming country. In general, a conviction for Driving under the Influence will not make an applicant for admission inadmissible, however, each conviction and the circumstances surrounding it may result in an applicant being denied. If there are concerns about an individual's criminal record, it is suggested that a US Consulate abroad be consulted before travel.

At our ports of entry, CBP screens all travelers entering the United States using a risk-based approach. CBP does not discuss specific cases; however, lawful permanent residents convicted of certain crimes may be referred for an immigration hearing to determine removability. The legal grounds for removal of LPR status are found in the Immigration and Nationality Act, Sections 212 and 237. Some of the most common grounds for revocation are: Fraud, theft, rape and related crimes, assault and battery, money laundering, drug convictions and alien smuggling.

The men and women of CBP daily have a critical role in ensuring our nation's security. Around the country last fiscal year, CBP officers processed more than 102 million international travelers and on a typical day in 2013, arrested 22 wanted criminals, refused entry to 366 inadmissible persons, identified 137 persons with suspected national security concerns as well as conducted seizures, operations and other enforcement actions.”

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