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of the United States which are related to the return of the individual from a foreign country, or his entry into the United States; or

(5) As expressly authorized by the Administrator.

(b) An agreement made with an agency or hospital for care, treatment, and assistance pursuant to the Act shall provide that no disclosure will be made of any information of a personal and private nature received by such agency or hospital in the course of discharging the duties under such agreement except as is provided therein, or is otherwise specifically authorized by the Administrator.

(c) Nothing in this section shall preclude disclosure, upon proper inquiry, of information as to the presence of an eligible person in a hospital, or as to his general condition and progress.

§211.15 Nondiscrimination.

(a) No eligible person shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation, be denied any benefits, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination of any nature or form in the provision of any benefits, under the Act.

(b) The prohibition in paragraph (a) of this section precludes discrimination either in the selection of individuals to receive the benefits, in the scope of benefits, or in the manner of providing them. It extends to all facilities and services provided by the Administrator or an agency to an individual, and to the arrangements and the procedures under this part relating thereto, in connection with reception, temporary care, treatment, and assistance, and continuing hospitalization under the Act.

PART 212—ASSISTANCE FOR UNITED STATES CITIZENS RETURNED FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES

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§212.1 General definitions.

When used in this part:

(a) *Act* means section 1113 of the Social Security Act, as amended;

(b) The term *Secretary* means the Secretary of Health and Human Services;

(c) The term *Department* means the Department of Health and Human Services;

(d) The term *Administration* means the Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services;

(e) The term *Assistant Secretary* means the Assistant Secretary for Children and Families;

(f) The term *eligible person* means an individual with respect to whom the conditions in §212.3 are met;

(g) The term *State* includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and Guam;

(h) The term *United States* when used in a geographical sense means the States;

(i) The term *agency* means State or local public agency or organization or national or local private agency or organization with which the Assistant Secretary has entered into agreement for the provision of temporary assistance pursuant to the Act;

(j) The term *temporary assistance* means money payments, medical care, temporary billeting, transportation, and other goods and services necessary for the health, or welfare of individuals, including guidance, counseling, and other welfare services.

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§212.2 General.

The Assistant Secretary shall develop plans and make arrangements for provision of temporary assistance

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within the United States to any eligible person, after consultation with appropriate offices of the Department of State, the Department of Justice, and the Department of Defense. Temporary assistance shall be provided, to the extent feasible, in accordance with such plans, as modified from time to time by the Assistant Secretary. The Assistant Secretary shall enter into agreements with agencies whose services and facilities are to be utilized for the purpose of providing temporary assistance pursuant to the Act, specifying the conditions governing the provision of such assistance and the manner of payment of the cost of providing therefor.

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§ 212.3 Eligible person.

In order to establish that an individual is an eligible person, it must be found that:

(a) He is a citizen of the United States or a dependent of a citizen of the United States;

(b) A written statement has been transmitted to the Administration by an authorized official of the Department of State containing information which identifies him as having returned, or been brought, from a foreign country to the United States because of the destitution of the citizen of the United States, or the illness of such citizen or any of his dependents, or because of war, threat of war, invasion, or similar crisis. Such statement shall, if possible, incorporate or have attached thereto, all available pertinent information concerning the individual. In case of war, threat of war, invasion, or similar crisis, a determination by the Department of State that such a condition is the general cause for the return of citizens of the United States and their dependents from a particular foreign country, and evidence that an individual has returned, or, been brought, from such country to the United States shall be considered sufficient identification of the reason for his return to, or entry into the United States; and

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(c) He is without resources immediately accessible to meet his needs.

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§ 212.4 Reception; initial determination; provisions of temporary assistance.

(a) The Administration, or the agency upon notification by the Administration, will meet individuals identified as provided in § 212.3(b), at the port of entry or debarkation.

(b) The Administration or agency will make findings, setting forth the pertinent facts and conclusions, and an initial determination, according to standards established by the Administration, as to whether an individual is an eligible person.

(c) The Administration or agency will provide temporary assistance within the United States to an eligible person, according to standards of need established by the Administration, upon arrival at the port of entry or debarkation, during transportation to his intermediate and ultimate destinations, and after arrival at such destinations.

(d) Temporary assistance may be furnished only for 90 days from the day of arrival of the eligible person in the United States unless he is handicapped in attaining self-support or self-care for such reasons as age, disability, or lack of vocational preparation. In such cases temporary assistance may be extended upon prior authorization by the Administration for nine additional months.

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§ 212.5 Periodic review and redetermination; termination of temporary assistance.

(a) The Administration or agency will review the situation of each recipient of temporary assistance at frequent intervals to consider whether or not circumstances have changed that would require a different plan for him.

(b) Upon a finding by the Administration or agency that a recipient of temporary assistance has sufficient resources available to meet his needs,