Therefore, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and under authority delegated to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, 21 CFR part 1 is amended as follows:

PART 1—GENERAL ENFORCEMENT REGULATIONS

§ 1.94 Hearing on refusal of admission or destruction.

(a) If it appears that the article may be subject to refusal of admission, or that the article is a drug that may be subject to destruction under section 801(a) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, the district director shall give the owner or consignee a written notice to that effect, stating the reasons therefor. The notice shall specify a place and a period of time during which the owner or consignee may have an opportunity to introduce testimony. Upon timely request giving reasonable grounds therefor, such time and place may be changed. Such testimony shall be confined to matters relevant to the admissibility or destruction of the article, and may be introduced orally or in writing.

(b) If such owner or consignee submits or indicates his or her intention to submit an application for authorization to relabel or perform other action to bring the article into compliance with the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act or to render it other than a food, drug, device, or cosmetic, such testimony shall include evidence in support of such application. If such application is not submitted at or prior to the hearing on refusal of admission, the district director shall specify a time limit, reasonable in the light of the circumstances, for filing such application.

(c) If the article is a drug that may be subject to destruction under section 801(a) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, the district director may give the owner or consignee a single written notice that provides the notice on refusal of admission and the notice on destruction of an article described in paragraph (a) of this section into a single proceeding.


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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

22 CFR Part 22

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Schedule of Fees for Consular Services, Department of State and Overseas Embassies and Consulates—Passport and Citizenship Services Fee Changes; Correction

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Interim final rule; correction.

SUMMARY: The Department of State published an interim final rule on September 8, 2015, amending the Schedule of Fees for Consular Services (Schedule) for certain passport fees and citizenship services fees. The document contained an incorrect effective date for a portion of the rule. This document corrects the rule.

DATES: The effective date of the amendments to § 22.1, Items 2.(a), 2.(b), and 2.(g), published in the Federal Register on September 8, 2015 (80 FR 53704), is corrected to September 26, 2015.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of State published an interim final rule on September 8, 2015 (80 FR 53704); this document corrects the effective date for one portion of the rulemaking. The other dates applicable to the rulemaking, as well as the duration of the public comment period, are unchanged.

Corrections

In FR Rule Doc. 2015–22054, in the Federal Register of September 8, 2015 (80 FR 53704), the following corrections are made:

1. On page 53704 in the second column, the first sentence of the DATES section is corrected to read: “Section 22.1, Items 2.(a), 2.(b), and 2.(g) of this rule become effective on September 26, 2015.”
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

26 CFR Part 1

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Controlled Group Regulation Examples

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Final regulations.

SUMMARY: This document contains final rules with revisions to examples that illustrate the controlled group rules applicable to regulated investment companies (RICs). The revised examples illustrate how the controlled group rules affect the RIC asset diversification tests.

DATES: Effective Date: These regulations are effective on September 15, 2015.

Applicability Dates: For dates of applicability, see §§1.851–3(b), 1.851–5(b).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This document contains amendments to the Income Tax Regulations (26 CFR, part 1) relating to the application of the controlled group rules under section 851(c) to RICs.

To qualify as a RIC, a taxpayer must meet asset diversification tests pursuant to which, at the close of each quarter of the RIC’s taxable year, not more than 25 percent of the value of the taxpayer’s total assets may be invested in (i) the securities (other than Government securities or the securities of other RICs) of any one issuer; (ii) the securities (other than the securities of other RICs) of two or more issuers that the taxpayer controls and that are determined, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary, to be engaged in the same or similar trades or businesses or related trades or businesses; or (iii) the securities of one or more qualified publicly traded partnerships (as defined in section 851(h)) (the 25 percent tests). See section 851(b)(3)(B).

Section 851(c) provides special rules applicable to the asset diversification requirements of section 851(b)(3), including the 25 percent tests. The controlled group rules in section 851(c)(1) provide that, when ascertaining the value of a taxpayer’s investment in the securities of an issuer for purposes of determining whether the 25 percent tests have been met, the taxpayer’s proper proportion of any investment in the securities of such issuer that are held by a member of the taxpayer’s “controlled group” must be aggregated with the taxpayer’s investment in such issuer, as determined under regulations.

Section 851(c)(3) defines a controlled group as one or more chains of “ownership” or “control” (i.e., investments through stock ownership with the taxpayer if (i) 20 percent or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock entitled to vote of each of the corporations (except the taxpayer) is owned directly by one or more of the other corporations, and (ii) the taxpayer owns directly at least 20 percent or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock entitled to vote of at least one of the other corporations.

On August 2, 2013, the Treasury Department and the IRS published in the Federal Register a notice of proposed rulemaking (REG–114122–12 at 78 FR 46851) (NPRM). The proposed regulations would revise certain examples in §1.851–5 to clarify that a RIC and its controlled subsidiary are a controlled group even if the group consists of only that RIC and its controlled group subsidiaries.

No public hearing was requested or held. Written comments responding to the NPRM were received. The written comments are available for public inspection at the Office of the Federal Register or on the Internet at www.regulations.gov or upon request.

After consideration of all the comments, these final regulations adopt the provisions of the proposed regulations with certain clarifications. The comments and clarifications are discussed in this preamble.

Summary of Comments and Explanation of Revisions

Comments received in response to the NPRM’s request for comments addressed three general categories of issues: (1) application of the proposed changes to a parent RIC investing in the stock of subsidiary RICs (a Fund of Funds structure); (2) application of the proposed changes to a RIC’s indirect investment in qualified publicly traded partnerships, as defined in section 851(h) (QPTPs); and (3) clarification of existing regulatory language implementing the controlled group rules of section 851(c).

1. Fund of Funds

Commenters recognized that the changes to the examples in §1.851–5 apply to structures in which the investments of a RIC (Upper RIC) include stock of one or more subsidiary RICs (Lower RICs). Commenters noted that there may be uncertainty in determining whether an Upper RIC satisfies its 25 percent tests when what might otherwise be a quarter-end violation by the Upper RIC is saved from being a violation by one or both of the relief provisions in section 851(d)(1) (sometimes called the “market value exception” and the “30-day cure provision”) or when the Upper RIC and a Lower RIC have different quarter-end testing dates.

To resolve this uncertainty, commenters urged the Treasury Department and the IRS either to provide a safe harbor for Fund of Funds structures or to exempt these structures from the controlled group rules.

Commenters noted that securities of RICs are listed as qualifying assets for purposes of the “good asset” 50 percent test of section 851(b)(3)(A) and are correspondingly excluded from the categories of assets listed in the 25 percent tests set forth in sections 851(b)(3)(B)(i) and (ii). In response to these requests, the Treasury Department and the IRS are issuing Revenue Procedure 2015–45 (2015–39 IRB dated September 28, 2015), which describes conditions under which the IRS will treat an Upper RIC that invests in one or more Lower RICs as satisfying the 25 percent tests and provides procedures to lessen the burden of demonstrating compliance with the 25 percent tests, applying the market value exception and the 30-day cure provision, and dealing with different quarter-end testing dates.

2. QPTPs

Comments were received both on the revised language in Example 1 and on proposed Example 7. Example 7 illustrates the application of the controlled group rules to a RIC’s indirect investment in securities of QPTPs.

In 2004, Congress enacted section 851(b)(2)(B), which facilitated