

SECTION 506

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Notwithstanding the provisions of section 503(a)(1), upon the termination of the trusteeship agreement and the establishment of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, for the following purposes only the NMI will be deemed to be a part of the United States under the Immigration and Nationality Act of the United States, and the said Act will apply to the NMI to the extent indicated in each subsection hereunder:

(a) With respect to children born abroad to U.S. citizen and non-citizen national parents permanently residing in the NMI, the provisions of sections 301 and 308 of the said Act concerning acquisition of U.S. nationality at birth will apply.

(b) With respect to aliens who are "immediate relatives" (as defined in section 201(b) by the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended) of U.S. citizens, who are permanently residing in the NMI, all the provisions of the said Act will apply, commencing when a claim is made to entitlement to "immediate relative" status. A person who is certified by the Government

of the NMI both to have been a lawful permanent resident of the NMI and to have had the "immediate relative" relationship denoted herein on the effective date of this section will be deemed to have been admitted to the United States for lawful permanent residence as of that date without the requirement of any of the usual procedures set forth in the Immigration and Nationality Act. For the purpose of the requirements of judicial naturalization, the Northern Mariana Islands will be deemed to constitute a State as defined in section 101(a)(36) of the said Act. The courts of record of the NMI and the United States District Court for the Northern Mariana Islands will be included among the courts specified in section 310(a) of the said Act, as amended, and will have jurisdiction to naturalize persons who become eligible under this section and who reside within their respective jurisdictions.

(c) With respect to persons who will become citizens or nationals of the United States under Article III or under this section, the loss of nationality provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act of the United States will apply.