

You recently submitted an application for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for Afghanistan.

NATIONALITY

You have indicated on your application and in affidavits that you were born in [redacted], Pakistan on [redacted]; however, the old style Taskera you submitted indicates that you were born in Konar, Afghanistan. USCIS records also contain a copy of your newer Taskera card which indicates that you were born in Kunar Afghanistan.

Submit a statement explaining the discrepancy regarding your place of birth.

ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS

On your application for Temporary Protected Status (TPS), you checked "Yes" to the following question on Part 7. Eligibility Standards:

Have you ever:

31.a. Served in, been a member of, assisted in, or participated in any military unit, paramilitary unit, police unit, self-defense unit, vigilante unit, rebel group, guerrilla group, militia, or insurgent organization?

In Part 11. Additional Information, you wrote:

I was a member of Afghan Special Forces under the direction of U.S. government advisors from approx. [redacted] approx. [redacted] and approx. [redacted] to approx. [redacted]. I received military and weapons training as part of this [sic] units. As part of our anti-terrorism work, the units I was a member of were sometimes fired upon by Taliban. When this happened, we were forced to return fire in self-defense. It is possible that during these exchanges, I may have killed or severely injured someone. I have never killed or severely injured anyone outside of this context. We also transported weapons during the course of our work. I have never used or transported a weapon outside of this context. I participated in these activities only in the course of my official duties. In any situation requiring use of force or weapons, I acted in self-defense and followed the direction of U.S. government advisors and official Rules of Engagement.

In order to determine your eligibility for TPS, USCIS require further explanation of your answer to this question. Therefore, provide USCIS with a statement that includes the following information:

- The type of group that you served in, were a member of, or assisted in or participated in;
- If you were a member of the military, please specify what branch you served in (Army, Navy, etc.) AND the name for your squadron/unit/regiment;
- If you served in a non-governmental unit or group, please provide the official name of that group or groups;
- The period(s) of time that you were a member of the group/unit;
- Your rank, if any;

- The name of your Commanding Officer;
- A list of your specific duties within the group;
- Who provided your training and where you were trained;
- Whether you participated in any combat (if yes, provide an full explanation);
- Whether you participated in interrogating any person (if yes, provide a full explanation); and
- A detailed explanation as to whether your participation within the unit was voluntary or involuntary.

On your application for Temporary Protected Status (Form I-821), you checked "Yes" to the following question on Part 7. Eligibility Standards:

Have you ever:

31.b. Served or worked in any prison, jail, prison camp, detention facility, labor camp, or any other situation that involved detaining persons?

In Part 11. Additional Information, you wrote:

I was a member of Afghan Special Forces under the direction of U.S. government advisors. From [REDACTED] and i was stationed in [REDACTED], Afghanistan. My assignment was to work as a prison security guard. My duties were to patrol the prison, escort prisoners to the bathroom and bring food to the prisoners. I participated in these activities only in the course of my official duties.

In order to determine your eligibility for TPS, USCIS require further explanation of your answer to this question. Therefore, provide USCIS with a statement that includes the following information:

- The type of facility you served in (prison, jail, camp, etc.);
- The name of the facility;
- The location of facility;
- The period(s) of time that you served at the facility;
- Your rank or title at the facility;
- A list of your specific duties;
- Who provided your training and where you were trained;
- A description of the type of prisoners detained at the facility; and
- A detailed explanation as to whether your service within the facility was voluntary or involuntary.

On your application for Temporary Protected Status (Form I-821), you checked "Yes" to the following question on Part 7. Eligibility Standards:

32. Have you EVER been a member of, assisted in, or participated in a group, unit, or organization of any kind in which you or other persons used any type of weapon against any person or threatened to do so?

In Part 11. Additional Information, you wrote:

I was a member of Afghan Special Forces under the direction of U.S. government advisors from approx. [redacted] and approx. [redacted]. I received military and weapons training as part of this [sic] units. As part of our anti-terrorism work, the units I was a member of were sometimes fired upon by Taliban. When this happened, we were forced to return fire in self-defense. It is possible that during these exchanges, I may have killed or severely injured someone. I have never killed or severely injured anyone outside of this context. We also transported weapons during the course of our work. I have never used or transported a weapon outside of this context. I participated in these activities only in the course of my official duties. In any situation requiring use of force or weapons, I acted in self-defense and followed the direction of U.S. government advisors and official Rules of Engagement.

In order to determine your eligibility for TPS, USCIS require further explanation of your answer to this question. Therefore, please provide USCIS with a statement that includes the following information:

- The name of the group you were a member of;
- The type of weapon(s) that you or another person within the group used or threatened to use against another person;
- The period(s) of time that you were a member of the group;
- Who provided your training and where you were trained;
- An explanation regarding the event(s) in question where you or another person within the group used or threatened to use a weapon against another person; and
- A detailed explanation as to whether your service with the unit was voluntary or involuntary.

On your application for Temporary Protected Status (Form I-821), you checked "Yes" to the following question on Part 7. Eligibility Standards:

33. Have you EVER assisted with or participated in selling or providing weapons to any person

who to your knowledge used them against another person, or in transporting weapons to any person who to your knowledge used them against another person?

In Part 11. Additional Information, you wrote:

I was a member of Afghan Special Forces under the direction of U.S. government advisors from approx. [redacted] to approx. [redacted] and approx. [redacted] to approx. [redacted]. I received military and weapons training as part of this [sic] units. As part of our anti-terrorism work, the units I was a member of were sometimes fired upon by Taliban. When this happened, we were forced to return fire in self-defense. It is possible that during these exchanges, I may have killed or severely injured someone. I have never killed or severely injured anyone outside of this context. We also transported weapons during the course of our work. I have never used or

transported a weapon outside of this context. I participated in these activities only in the course of my official duties. In any situation requiring use of force or weapons, I acted in self-defense and followed the direction of U.S. government advisors and official Rules of Engagement.

In order to determine your eligibility for TPS, USCIS require further explanation of your answer to this question. Therefore, please provide USCIS with a statement that includes the following information:

- The type of weapon(s) that you assisted or participated in selling or transporting;
- The individual or group to whom you assisted or participated in selling or transporting weapons;
- The number of weapon(s) that you assisted or participated in selling or transporting;
- The period(s) of time in which you assisted or participated in selling or transporting weapons;
- An explanation of the purpose/use of the weapons; and
- A detailed explanation as to whether your actions were voluntary or involuntary.

On your application for Temporary Protected Status (Form I-821), you checked "Yes" to the following question on Part 7. Eligibility Standards:

34. Have you EVER received any type of military, paramilitary, or weapons training?

In Part 11. Additional Information, you wrote:

I was a member of Afghan Special Forces under the direction of U.S. government advisors from approx. [redacted] to approx. [redacted] and approx. [redacted] to approx. [redacted]. I received military and weapons training as part of this [sic] units. As part of our anti-terrorism work, the units I was a member of were sometimes fired upon by Taliban. When this happened, we were forced to return fire in self-defense. It is possible that during these exchanges, I may have killed or severely injured someone. I have never killed or severely injured anyone outside of this context. We also transported weapons during the course of our work. I have never used or transported a weapon outside of this context. I participated in these activities only in the course of my official duties. In any situation requiring use of force or weapons, I acted in self-defense and followed the direction of U.S. government advisors and official Rules of Engagement.

In order to determine your eligibility for TPS, USCIS require further explanation of your answer to this question. Therefore, please provide USCIS with a statement that includes the following information:

- The name of the group you were a member of;
- The period(s) of time that you were a member of the group;
- The type of weapon(s) on which you were trained;
- Who provided your training and where you were trained;
- An explanation as to whether you ever used the weapon(s) against another person; and
- Provide a detailed explanation as to whether your actions were voluntary or involuntary.