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U.S. Department of Homeland Security releases draft Language Access Plans for Components and Offices for public comment - September 4, 2014

- Comments are due by Friday, October 31.
- The draft plans are available at www.dhs.gov/language-access
- Written comments may be sent by email to crcloutreach@hq.dhs.gov
- Read the DHS message in English and other languages:

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United States Department of Justice Releases Language Access Planning and Technical Assistance Tool for Courts at Public Event on February 28, 2014

- New- Video of Event (with captions) (Added September 3, 2014)
- Language Access Planning and Technical Assistance Tool for Courts (PDF) (Word) (February 2014)
- Event Agenda (February 28, 2014)
- Helpful Resources Guide (February 2014)
- Press Release (February 28, 2014)
- Justice Blog Post (March 11, 2014)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office for Civil Rights reached an agreement with Mee Memorial Hospital to expand and improve accessibility for persons with limited English proficiency (LEP), including persons who speak indigenous languages.

- Agreement (August 7, 2014)
- Press Release (August 21, 2014)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and New Jersey Announce Agreement to Expand Hurricane Sandy Recovery Programs

- Agreement (May 30, 2014)
- Press Release (May 30, 2014)

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