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Deportation of H-1 nurses deferred

Immigration and Naturalization Service Commissioner Leonel J. Castillo receives from Mrs. Aimee Cruz, national coordinator of the National Alliance for Fair Licensure of Foreign Nurse Graduates, a petition signed by 9,492 citizens asking for a break for Filipino nurses with working visas who are being deported after failing the U.S. licensure exams. The conference was held in Castillo's office in Washington, D.C., last Sept. 26. The INS chief agreed to hold all deportation cases pending a more formal agreement on the appeal to give foreign nurse graduates a 24-month grace period. Looking on are, from left: INS lawyer C. McCarthy; Amy Besa, NAFL-Philadelphia coordinator; Normita Amorado, NAFL-FNG national staffer; Christine Hing, national co-coordinator, and Reuben Seguritan, alliance legal counsel. [NAFL-FNG Photo sent by Mayee Asidao, alliance Chicago coordinator]