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### Pres. Trump's Vision: America First

- In President Trump's Inaugural Address, he stated his vision for America:
  - "...from this day forward it will be America first"..."Every decision on trade, on taxes, on *immigration*...will be made to benefit American workers and American families."

## H1B Comes Under Seige

- USCIS Policy Memorandum of March 31, 2017
- "Rescission of the December 22,2000 'Guidance Memo on H1B Computer Related Positions'".
- USCIS NO LONGER CONSIDERS THE POSITION OF COMPUTER PROGRAMMER TO QUALIFY AS A SPECIALTY OCCUPATION FOR H1B

- ENTRY LEVEL POSITIONS FOR COMPUTER PROGRAMMER AND RELATED POSITIONS MAY NOT QUALIFY FOR H1B IF DEGREE NOT REQUIRED FOR ENTRY INTO THE POSITION
- LEVEL 1 AND 2 WAGES IN LCA PROBLEMATIC





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