

## Illegal Cancellation of Visa: Dec. 4, 2009

**Background:** Within hours of the arrest, the U.S. Passport of Gregory James Caton was cancelled, followed within 24 hours with the illegal cancellation of his Ecuadorean visa. Documents supporting these facts and the timeline are provided below.

All legal authorities that the Caton family subsequently discussed this case with indicated that this second action was completely illegal. It was executed without an investigation, without due process, and by an authority other than the one which is legally entrusted with this action: higher officials with the Ministry of Immigration.

The letters below provide the proof.

*What follows firstly is an official announcement by the U.S. State Department that the Defendant's U.S. Passport has been cancelled, dated Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, followed by official correspondence by the prosecutor's office in Guayaquil requesting a cancellation of the Defendant's Ecuadorean visa; followed by official correspondence on Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> between a clerk at a Sub-Directorate and the Prosecutor's Office in Guayaquil that the Ecuadorean visa has been revoked, drafted in Spanish, followed by its English translation. Following that is correspondence from the same clerk to the Guayaquil Chief of Police – again, with the Spanish version followed by its English translation.*



United States Consulate General  
Guayaquil - Ecuador

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Guayaquil, Diciembre 3 del 2009

Señor Abogado  
Julio Cesar Quiñonez  
INTENDENTE DE POLICIA  
Intendencia de Policía del Guayas  
Ciudad.-

De nuestras consideraciones:

El Departamento de Estado de los Estados Unidos ha pedido que nuestra oficina le informe que el pasaporte americano numero 202904359 emitido el 6 de Julio del 2000 y cualquier otro pasaporte que posea el ciudadano americano **Gregory James CATON** quedan inmediatamente **REVOCADOS** bajo la Sección 212 del Titulo 22 del U.S. Code y la Sección 51.62 del Titulo 22 del U.S. Code de Regulaciones Federales donde se explica que el Departamento de Estado tiene la potestad de revocar el pasaporte americano a cualquier ciudadano fugitivo que tenga una orden vigente de aprehensión emitida por del Gobierno Federal de los Estados Unidos.

Atentamente,

*Phillip Linderman*  
Phillip Linderman  
Jefe de la Sección Consular  
CONSULADO de los ESTADOS UNIDOS

*Revocado  
3 Diciembre 2009.  
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United States Consulate General  
Guayaquil – Ecuador

Guayaquil, December 3, 2009

Atty.  
Julio Cesar Quinones  
POLICE MAYOR  
Mayor's Office of Guayas  
City. -

To whom it may concern:

The Department of State of the United States has requested our office to inform that the American passport number 202904359 issued on July 6, 2000 and any other passport possessed by the American citizen Gregory James CATON are immediately REVOKED under Section 212 of Title 22 of the U.S. Code and Section 51.62 of Title 22 of the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations where it is explained that the Department of State has the authority to revoke the American passport to any fugitive citizen that has a current order of arrest issued by the Federal Government of the United States.

Sincerely,

*(Illegible signature)*

Philip Linderman  
Head of the Consular Section  
CONSULATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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**Oficio No. 2631-2009-FPG-ALCHF**  
Guayaquil, 03 de diciembre de 2009

**Señora Abogada  
Alexandra Navarro  
Subdirectora de Extranjería  
Ciudad.-**

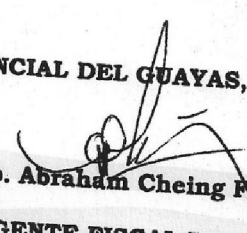
De mis consideraciones:

**Ab. Abraham Cheing Falcones**, Fiscal de lo Penal del Guayas, dentro de la **INDAGACIÓN PREVIA No. 163-09 MIG.**, a usted comunico que dentro de la presente se ha dispuesto lo siguiente:

*"Oficiese a la Subdirección de Extranjería, a fin de que ordene a la brevedad posible la revocatoria de la VISA 9-VI otorgada a favor del ciudadano de nacionalidad estadounidense **GREGORY JAMES CATON**, con cédula de identidad No. 0930353065, mismo que se encuentra inscrito en el Registro de Extranjeros en el Libro: 5, Página: 5494, orden: 9310; en virtud de que el antes mencionado tiene una notificación roja de Interpol de fecha 30 de septiembre de 2008; así mismo se debe indicar que se encuentran revocados por parte del Departamento de Estado, los pasaportes americanos del mencionado ciudadano, de acuerdo de la sección 212 del Título 22 del U.S. Code y la Sección 51.26 del Título 22 del U.S. code de regulaciones Federales".*

Particular que comunico a usted para los fines de ley pertinente.

**POR LA FISCALÍA PROVINCIAL DEL GUAYAS,**

  
**Ab. Abraham Cheing Falcones**  
**AGENTE FISCAL DE GUAYAS**

**Fiscalía Primera y Tercera, Unidad de Turismo, Asuntos Migratorios y Tráfico Ilegal de Migrantes, Unidad de Propiedad Intelectual, Medio Ambiente y Patrimonio Cultural.**



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Edificio del Registro Civil, sótano

Memo No.2631-2009-FPG-ALCHF  
Guayaquil, December 03, 2009

Atty.  
Alexandra Navarro  
Sub-director of Immigration

To whom it may concern:

Atty. Abraham Cheing Falcones, Criminal Prosecutor of Guayas, in the PRIOR INVESTIGATION No. 163-09 MIG., inform you that the following has been established:

“Officially notify the Sub-directorate of Immigration as soon as possible to order the revocation of the 9-VI VISA issued in favor of the North American citizen GREGORY JAMES CATON, with ID No. 0930353065 that is registered in the Registry of Foreigners, Book 5, Page 5494, order 9310; by virtue whereof the above mentioned citizen has a red notice in the Interpol on September 30, 2008. Also, it must be stated that the American passports of this citizen are revoked by the Department of State, in concordance with Section 212 of Title 22 of the U.S. Code and Section 51.26 of Title 22 of the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations.”

This is what I hereby inform you for all legal purposes.

BY THE PROSECUTOR’S OFFICE OF THE PROVINCE OF GUAYAS

*(Illegible signature)*  
Atty. Abraham Cheing Falcones  
PROSECUTOR OF GUAYAS

First and Third Prosecutor’s Office, Unit of Tourism, Immigration Affairs and Illegal Traffic of Immigrants, Unit of Intellectual Property, Environment and Cultural Heritage.

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Santiago de Guayaquil, diciembre 4 de 2009

Oficio No.SGE-093-09

Abogado  
Abraham Cheing Falcones  
Agente Fiscal del Guayas  
Ciudad

De mi consideración:

Conforme a su oficio No. 2631-2009-FPG-ALCHF del 3 de los corrientes, tengo a bien comunicar a usted que esta Subdirección General de Extranjería ha procedido a cancelar la visa 9-VI del ciudadano **GREGORY JAMES CATON**, de nacionalidad estadounidense, visa que fuera otorgada el 11 de septiembre de 2007, Reg.5-5494-9310, exp. 1500-07 al amparo de la visa 9-II como Inversionista en Acciones de su cónyuge **Cathryn Elizabeth Caton**, de la misma nacionalidad.

Particular que comunico a usted para los fines de ley.

Atentamente,  
Dios, Patria y Libertad

Ab. Alexandra Navarro Jovín  
Encargada de los Procesos  
Subdirección General de Extranjería

Rosanna

REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR  
MINISTRY OF GOVERNMENT  
GENERAL SUB-DIRECTORATE OF IMMIGRATION

Santiago of Guayaquil, December 4, 2009

Official Action number SGE-093-09

Attorney  
Abraham Cheing Falcones  
Prosecutor of Guayas

To whom it may concern:

In concordance with your Official Action number 2631-2009-FPG-ALCHF of December 3<sup>rd</sup>, I inform you that this General Sub-directorate of Immigration has proceeded to cancel the 9-VI Visa of GREGORY JAMES CATON of North American nationality, visa that was issued on September 11, 2007, Reg. 5-5494-9310, exp. 1500-07 in protection of the 9-II Visa as an Investor in Actions of his spouse Cathryn Elizabeth Caton of the same nationality.

This is what I hereby inform you for all legal purposes.

Sincerely,

God, Fatherland and Liberty

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Atty. Alexandra Navarro Jouvin  
Clerk of Proceedings  
General Sub-directorate of Immigration

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Oficio No.SGE-096-09

Abogado  
Julio César Quiñónez  
Intendente General de Policía del Guayas  
Ciudad

De mi consideración:

Por medio del presente comunico a usted que, conforme al oficio No. 2631-2009-FPG-ALCHF del 3 de los corrientes, suscrito por el Ab. Abraham Cheing Falcones, Agente Fiscla del Guayas, tengo a bien comunicar a usted que esta Subdirección General de Extranjería ha procedido a cancelar la visa 9-VI del ciudadano **GREGORY JAMES CATON**, de nacionalidad estadounidense, visa que fuera otorgada el 11 de septiembre de 2007, Reg.5-5494-9310, exp. 1500-07 al amparo de la visa 9-II como Inversionista en Acciones de su cónyuge **Cathryn Elizabeth Caton**, de la misma nacionalidad.

Particular que comunico a usted para los fines de ley.

Atentamente,  
Dios, Patria y Libertad

Ab. Alexandra Navarro Jouvín  
Encargada de los Procesos  
Subdirección General de Extranjería

Adj. Copia del oficio No.2631-2009-FPG-ALCHF

Rosanna



REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR  
MINISTRY OF GOVERNMENT  
GENERAL SUB-DIRECTORATE OF IMMIGRATION

Santiago of Guayaquil, December 4, 2009

Official Action number SGE-096-09

Attorney  
Julio Cesar Quinonez  
General Mayor of the Police Department of Guayas

To whom it may concern:

Hereby, by way of this letter, in concordance with Official Action number 2631-2009-FPG-ALCHF of December 3<sup>rd</sup> issued by Atty. Abraham Cheing Falcones, Prosecutor of Guayas I inform you that this General Sub-directorate of Immigration has proceeded to cancel the 9-VI Visa of GREGORY JAMES CATON of North American nationality, visa that was issued on September 11, 2007, Reg. 5-5494-9310, exp. 1500-07 under the 9-II Visa as an Investor in Actions of his spouse Cathryn Elizabeth Caton of the same nationality.

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