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October 2, 2013 – IRS Announces Cutback in Operations

The IRS announced today that "due to the current lapse in appropriations, IRS operations are limited."

The key points of their announcement are:

- They are unable to issue refunds;
- Taxpayers must continue to file returns and make payments and deposits on a timely basis;
- There is no live telephone service and walk-in taxpayer assistance centers are closed;
- Audits, Appeals, and Taxpayer Advocate Services are "assumed" cancelled. "IRS personnel will reschedule those meetings at a later date;"
- Automated notices will continue to be mailed, but the IRS will not be working any paper correspondence;
- Automated applications on the regular (800) 829-1040 phone line will remain open; and
- The IRS website will remain available, although some interactive features may not be available.

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More information is posted on the IRS website; to access <u>click here</u>.

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