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Global Entry Now Available at Pre-Clearance Airports

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Washington – U.S. Customs and Border Protection announced today that Global Entry kiosks are now available at CBP preclearance at Vancouver International Airport and Ottawa's MacDonald-Cartier Airport, and will be available at Montreal's Trudeau International Airport and Toronto's Lester B. Pearson International Airport by September.

The placement of Global Entry kiosks at Canadian preclearance locations is part of the integration of the Global Entry and NEXUS Trusted Traveler programs.

The integration of the Global Entry and NEXUS programs began in December 2010, when CBP published a Federal Register Notice announcing that NEXUS members could participate in Global Entry. With the deployment of Global Entry kiosks to Canadian preclearance, Global Entry members will be able to take advantage of the program when returning home from Canada. NEXUS members, who have Global Entry benefits, have the option of using either the Global Entry or NEXUS kiosks in preclearance.

"Having Global Entry kiosks at CBP preclearance sites in Canada is another step we are taking to facilitate Global Entry and NEXUS members traveling into the U.S.," said Office of Field Operations Assistant Commissioner Thomas S. Winkowski. "Trusted traveler members will now be able to enjoy this benefit as CBP officers concentrate on those travelers who we know less about and who may pose a risk to our homeland."

Global Entry is a voluntary pilot program that streamlines the international arrivals process for pre-approved travelers through use of self service kiosks located at 20 major U.S. airports. The pilot program is an alternative to regular passport processing procedures, allowing members to bypass the regular line, and currently reduces average wait times by 70 percent. To date, Global Entry members have used the kiosks more than one million times.

Global Entry is available to U.S. citizens and U.S lawful permanent residents, as well as Mexican nationals. Citizens of the Netherlands may also apply under a special reciprocal arrangement that links Global Entry with the Dutch Privium program in Amsterdam. Canadian citizens and residents may participate in Global Entry through membership in the NEXUS program.

Applications to Global Entry must first be submitted online. Global Entry A non-refundable fee of $100 is also collected via the website for a five year membership. Applicants must then complete

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an in-person interview, at any of the Global Entry enrollment centers, where fingerprints are collected.

Once enrolled in the pilot program, Global Entry members may proceed directly to the kiosks in the inspection services area. At the kiosk, members insert their passport or lawful permanent resident card into a document reader, provide digital fingerprints for comparison with fingerprints on file, answer customs declaration questions on the kiosk's touch-screen, and then present a transaction receipt to CBP officers before leaving the inspection area.

Preclearance offers a convenience to travelers arriving in the U.S. by completing all customs, immigration and agriculture inspections prior to arriving at a U.S. port of entry. When pre-cleared passengers arrive in the U.S. they can use domestic terminals and/or connect to their domestic flights without further processing.

For a complete list of available locations, pilot program requirements and eligibility, or more information on other CBP trusted traveler programs, please visit their websites. CBP Travel Spotlight Global Entry

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