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MARCH 6, 2017

On March 6, 2017, President Trump signed a new Executive Order on Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States which directs us to review current screening procedures, while protecting national security – our top priority when issuing visas. The Executive Order has an effective date of March 16, 2017.

We are working closely with the Departments of Homeland Security and Justice to review the Executive Order to ensure that we implement it in accordance with its terms, in an orderly fashion, consistent with any applicable court orders, and without compromising national security.

The Executive Order becomes effective March 16, 2017, allowing ten days for making operational adjustments and implementing its provisions. We will keep the public informed about changes affecting travelers to the United States.

The Executive Order states that no visa issued before its effective date will be revoked pursuant to this order.

At this time, U.S. embassies and consulates will continue to process visa applications while applying all appropriate screening measures, as they have been.

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