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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
COMMANDERS OF THE COMBATANT COMMANDS
DIRECTORS OF DEFENSE AGENCIES
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SUBJECT: Authorized and Ordered Departure Termination – Turkmenistan

The Department of State (DOS) has terminated the Authorized Departure from Embassy Ashgabat, which includes all of Turkmenistan, for eligible family members (EFMs), including DoD EFMs, age 18 and over, and non-emergency civilian personnel, effective October 2, 2020. The DOS also has terminated the Ordered Departure from Turkmenistan for EFMs under the age of 18, including DoD EFMs, effective October 2, 2020.

DoD EFMs and non-emergency civilian personnel are therefore expected to depart for Turkmenistan in the most expeditious manner possible, no later than December 1, 2020.

The Stop Forward Movement Order for travel to Turkmenistan, issued by my office on March 12, 2020, is terminated. Any travel to Turkmenistan must be in compliance with the May 22, 2020 Secretary of Defense Memorandum, "Transition to Conditions-based Phased Approach to Coronavirus Disease 2019 Personnel Movement and Travel Restrictions."

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