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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: Ordered Departure – Lebanon

The Department of State (DOS) has approved an Ordered Departure from Embassy Beirut, which includes all of Lebanon, for eligible family members (EFMs), including DoD EFMs, and non-emergency civilian employees, effective March 18, 2020.

DoD EFMs and non-emergency civilian employees are ordered to depart Lebanon. The designated safe-haven for departing DoD EFMs is the United States. The designated safe-haven for departing DoD non-emergency civilian employees is Arlington, Virginia.

Stop Forward Movement: U.S. Government-funded travel to Lebanon for all DoD EFMs and non-emergency civilian employees is suspended.

The Ordered Departure will remain in effect until terminated by DOS, and the Stop Forward Movement Order will remain in effect until terminated by me.

DoD EFMs of Service members will be processed for safe-haven allowances in accordance with the Joint Travel Regulations (JTR), Chapter 6 (Evacuation Travel), paragraph 0602. DoD civilian employees and their EFMs will be processed for allowances in accordance with the JTR, Chapter 6, paragraph 0604.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alexis Lasselle Ross".

Alexis Lasselle Ross

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