

UNCLASSIFIED



PERSONNEL AND
READINESS

OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
4000 DEFENSE PENTAGON
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301-4000

JAN 31 2020

MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
COMMANDERS OF THE COMBATANT COMMANDS
DIRECTORS OF DEFENSE AGENCIES
DIRECTORS OF DOD FIELD ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT: Authorized Departure – People’s Republic of China

The Department of State (DOS) has approved an Authorized Departure from the People’s Republic of China – except for Wuhan, People’s Republic of China, from which departures were ordered on January 23, 2020 – for eligible family members (EFMs), including DoD EFMs; non-emergency civilian personnel, as determined by the DOS Chief of Mission; and non-emergency U.S. Direct Hire (USDH) civilian employees, when needed, to accompany departing EFMs and non-emergency civilian personnel, effective January 29, 2020.

DoD EFMs and non-emergency civilian personnel are authorized to depart the People’s Republic of China. The designated safe-haven for departing DoD EFMs is the United States. The designated safe-haven for departing DoD non-emergency civilian personnel is Arlington, Virginia.

Stop Forward Movement: U.S. Government-funded travel to the People’s Republic of China for all DoD EFMs and non-emergency civilian personnel is suspended.

The Authorized 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.

The DoD point of contact is Ms. Ann Lee, Office of the Executive Director, who may be reached at ann.y.lee6.civ@mail.mil or (703) 693-3002.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew P. Donovan", is located below the text.

Matthew P. Donovan
Performing the Duties of the Under Secretary of
Defense for Personnel and Readiness

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

cc:

Deputy Chief of Staff G1, U.S. Army
Chief of Naval Personnel
Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel,
U.S. Air Force
Deputy Commandant for Manpower
and Reserve Affairs, U.S. Marine Corps
Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense
for Military Personnel Policy
Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense
for Civilian Personnel Policy
Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense
for Military Community & Family Policy
Director for Manpower and Personnel,
Joint Chiefs of Staff J-1
Director for Manpower and Personnel,
European Command J-1
Headquarters, Department of the Army Personnel
and Education-Mobilization Operations
Defense Intelligence Agency, DXS-4B
Defense Travel Management Office