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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
DIRECTORS OF DOD FIELD ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT: Ordered Departure – Turkmenistan

The Department of State (DOS) has approved an Ordered Departure from Embassy Ashgabat, which includes all of Turkmenistan, for eligible family members (EFMs) under the age of 18, including DoD EFMs, effective March 27, 2020.

DOS had previously approved an Authorized Departure from Embassy Ashgabat, which includes all of Turkmenistan, for all EFMs, including DoD EFMs, and non-emergency civilian personnel, effective March 6, 2020.

Paragraph 3.A.1.A of the March 24, 2020 Modification 1 to the DoD Response to Coronavirus-2019 Execute Order (EXORD MOD 1), approved by the Secretary of Defense, implemented a 60-day stop-movement of all international travel for DoD uniformed and civilian personnel and their sponsored family members not under the authority of a Chief of Mission.

DoD EFMs under the age of 18 may depart Turkmenistan by exception only, under the exceptions set forth in the EXORD MOD 1. Should an exception be granted, the designated safe-haven for departing DoD EFMs is the United States.

Stop Forward Movement: U.S. Government-funded travel to Turkmenistan for all DoD EFMs under the age of 18 is suspended pursuant to the EXORD MOD 1.

Any departing 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. Any departing EFMs of DoD civilian employees will be processed for allowances in accordance with the JTR, Chapter 6, paragraph 0604.

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