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Subject: RE: Travel ban for nationals of 7 Countries
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Hi Peter,

Thanks for your feedback. As per information from IATA's facilitation call to the US CBP, they have clarified as below ...

Dual Nationals, holding and traveling with a valid passport issued by a State other than one of the above-mentioned will be allowed entry provided meeting all criteria based upon the passenger's nationality.

This is in relation to what is stated on the website and we have issued a TDA based on the information in TIMATIC.

Please could you confirm this and I will discuss this with the IATA TIMATIC Director and also our concerned teams.

Best regards

Manager - Document Verification

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I just checked the Etihad website to see for updates. On the home page there is a link under "announcements: U.S. travel restrictions". That link takes you to a page with the following information:

US travel restrictions

As a result of the Executive Order signed by the U.S. President on 27 January 2017, U.S. immigration entry requirements for nationals of Iran, Iraq, Sudan, Somalia, Syria, Yemen and Libya have changed. Effective immediately, nationals from these countries may only travel to the U.S. if they hold one of the following documents:

a valid U.S. Lawful Permanent Resident (LPR) card, commonly known as a "Green Card";

Diplomatic visa:

North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) visas;

C-2 visas for travel to the United Nations;

G-1, G-2, G-3 and G-4 visas; or

valid passport from another country that allows U.S. entry along with a valid U.S. visa or ESTA as applicable for that

passport.

For more information, please contact a U.S. Consulate or visit the U.S. Customs and Border Protection website.

Affected passengers holding tickets to travel on Etihad Airways should contact their booking agent if they require amendments to travel arrangements.

The last bullet (highlighted) is wrong, if a traveler holds a passport from his/her (restricted) home country and also holds another passport, they would be denied entry.

The link:

<http://www.etihad.com/en-us/announcements/us-travel-restrictions/>

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Hello Jessica,

Nice meeting you briefly when you were at Abu Dhabi last week for the Regional TSA summit.

Thank you for the notification and we have been affected since yesterday at Abu Dhabi on all our flights to the US through the CBP Preclearance Terminal. However, the CBP RCLG have been in contact with us to proactively deny passengers in our network and stations of origin, those whose nationalities are included into the Executive Order.

We have also been in contact with IATA and have been notified that TIMATIC has been updated as per the current information received from CBP.

- *ADMISSION REFUSED TO VISITORS WITH A PASSPORT ISSUED BY IRAN, IRAQ, LIBYA, SOMALIA, SUDAN, SYRIA AND YEMEN. THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO PASSENGERS WITH DIPLOMATIC VISAS, NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION VISAS, C-2 VISAS FOR TRAVEL TO THE UNITED NATIONS, AND G-1, G-2, G-3, AND G-4 VISAS.*
- *THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO LEGAL RESIDENTS OF THE USA.*

Will get in touch with you if we require any further information or clarity as the situation is dynamic.

Best regards

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Good Evening Everyone,

Due to the recent executive order issued by President Trump which bans nationals from certain countries from travelling to the U.S. effective immediately, I wanted to reach out to see if there are any questions. There has especially been some confusion surrounding Legal Permanent Residents (green card holders.) These passengers are permitted to board and travel to the U.S. Any further adjudication of these travelers would be done by CBP at the port of arrival. If you have any crewmember in possession of a C1/ D visa however, they are not exempt and will not be given admission to the U.S. As a reminder, these countries are Syria, Sudan, Libya, Yemen, Somalia, Iraq and Iran. These are the same countries that were part of the Visa Waiver Program Improvement Act and Terrorist Travel Prevention Act of 2015. That reform related to travelers who are dual VWP country passport holders who became ineligible for travel with ESTA due to their dual citizenship.

Here is the language from the Executive Order.

(c) To temporarily reduce investigative burdens on relevant agencies during the review period described in subsection (a) of this section, to ensure the proper review and maximum utilization of available resources for the screening of foreign nationals, and to ensure that adequate standards are established to prevent infiltration by foreign terrorists or criminals, pursuant to section 212(f) of the INA, 8 U.S.C. 1182(f), I hereby proclaim that the immigrant and nonimmigrant entry into the United States of aliens from countries referred to in section 217(a)(12) of the INA, 8 U.S.C. 1187(a)(12), would be detrimental to the interests of the United States, and I hereby suspend entry into the United States, as immigrants and nonimmigrants, of such persons for 90 days from the date of this order (excluding those foreign nationals traveling on diplomatic visas, North Atlantic Treaty Organization visas, C-2 visas for travel to the United Nations, and G-1, G-2, G-3, and G-4 visas).

If I receive any new or different information which changes the above, I will let you know as soon as I

do. As I understand at this time, any notifications to airlines are being done through the IAP in Doha, or through the JFK RCLG with instructions on boarding these travelers. The CBP Document Validation program will be working to automate boarding responses so that the process can be streamlined, but you will have to coordinate this with me and your service provider.

The aforementioned from me, does not supersede any guidance you may be given from CBP via the RCLG and IAP, therefore please work with them directly with any questions about boarding specific individuals.

With Regards,
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