

Dear valued students and scholars,

We know many of you are concerned about the new proposed Executive Order impacting the ability of nationals of Iran, Iraq, Syria, Yemen, Libya, Sudan, and Somalia to obtain visas and enter the U.S. We are concerned as well, and are carefully monitoring the situation to ensure we can provide you with current and correct information. Please know that the ISSS staff is here for you: **ISSS and the University support you and value your presence on our campus and in our community.**

Here is what we know now about these developments:

- 1. The order has **not yet been signed** as of today, 1/27/17 at 13:00 MST, although some reports indicate the President will sign it today.
- 2. There is no final information about which visa types will be impacted, or what the exact impact will be. For example, we do not know if this will only restrict new visa issuance, or if it will impact people who already have visas and wish to enter the US or other immigration benefits.
- 3. We expect to have more complete information in the next one to two weeks, and will share any information we receive with you as quickly as possible.
- 4. There is a large amount of speculation and opinion in the media: please remember that this is not always correct information.

For now, we recommend that if you are from one of the countries listed above, you should:

- Stay in the US, if you are here (i.e. do not leave)
- Travel to the US as soon as possible if you are outside the US and want to re-enter
- Meet with an ISSS advisor to discuss any questions or concerns you have

We know our students and scholars may be feeling afraid, anxious, angry, and uncertain about their future. You can always find support here at ISSS, and the offices below can also provide support and resources if you'd like to talk with someone about how you're feeling.

University Counseling Center

Women's' Resource Center

http://counselingcenter.utah.edu/

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