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Notification of Termination of Arrival Restrictions Applicable to Certain Flights

- The United States previously announced arrival restrictions applicable to flights carrying persons who had recently traveled from, or were otherwise present within, the People's Republic of China (excluding the Special Administrative Regions of Hong Kong and Macau); the Islamic Republic of Iran; the countries of the Schengen Area; the United Kingdom (excluding overseas territories outside of Europe); the Republic of Ireland; and the Federative Republic of Brazil in 85 FR 6044 (Feb. 4, 2020); 85 FR 7214 (Feb. 7, 2020); 85 FR 12731 (Mar. 4, 2020); 85 FR 15059 (Mar. 17, 2020); 85 FR 15714 (Mar. 19, 2020); and 85 FR 31957 (May 28, 2020).
- These arrival restrictions directed flights to a limited set of U.S. airports where the U.S. Government had focused public health resources.
- The Secretary of Homeland Security has terminated the above airport arrival restrictions applicable to certain flights carrying persons who had recently traveled from, or were otherwise present within, the People's Republic of China; the Islamic Republic of Iran; the countries of the Schengen Area; the United Kingdom; the Republic of Ireland; and the Federative Republic of Brazil.
- **Therefore, the requirement for flights to the United States carrying persons who had recently traveled from, or were otherwise present within, the above listed countries to fly into one of 15 designated airports are terminated as of 12:01 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) on September 14, 2020.**
- Other measures to protect public health remain in place.
- This guidance is in addition to the signed Presidential Proclamations 9984 (People's Republic of China); 9992 (Islamic Republic of Iran); 9993 (Schengen Area); 9996 (UK and Ireland); and 10041 (Federative Republic of Brazil) titled "Suspension of Entry as Immigrants and Nonimmigrants of Certain Additional Persons Who Pose a Risk of Transmitting 2019 Novel Coronavirus", which all remain in effect.
- Sections 271 and 273(b) of the Immigration and Nationality Act provide that it is unlawful for commercial carriers to transport improperly documented aliens to the United States. Carriers that transport aliens subject to the Presidential proclamation may be subject to a carrier fine for each alien brought to the United States.
- Any questions concerning the scope or implementation of the proclamations and the Federal Register notices, including the authorization for any alien to board an aircraft or otherwise travel to the United States to seek admission, should be directed to the appropriate Regional Carrier Liaison Group or other designated CBP official, such as an Immigration Advisory Program (IAP) or Joint Security Program (JSP) officer, for adjudication prior to aircraft departure.