

Implementation of Presidential Proclamations (P.P.) 9645 and 9983

December 8, 2017 to April 30, 2020

Notes:

1. In this report, subject applications are visa applications which, due to nationality and visa classification, are subject to visa restrictions under P.P. 9645 or P.P. 9983. Information related to both nonimmigrant visa (NIV) and immigrant visa (IV) applications is provided.
2. The following tables report data cumulatively across the entire effective period of P.P. 9645 and P.P. 9983, covering December 8, 2017 through April 30, 2020. Monthly totals provided in prior P.P. 9645/P.P. 9983 Implementation Reports may not aggregate to equal the cumulative totals provided in the following tables. This is due in part to data system factors related to the processing of nonimmigrant K visa class applications, which make it difficult to consistently report when K visas were first adjudicated subject to P.P. 9645. Reporting methodology revisions made in accordance with Department waiver processing policy changes, minor data system factors related to compound visa classes, and the presence in the data of approximately 35 improper or subsequently revoked issuances also contribute to slight differences between the following figures and statistics included in the Department of State's Implementation Reports.
3. Subject applications not issued a visa are categorized as either "Ineligible on non-P.P. Grounds", i.e., ineligible on grounds unrelated to P.P. 9645/P.P. 9983, and "Ineligible under P.P. 9645/P.P. 9983". It is possible for totals of ineligible applications to decrease from one month to the next if applications move from an ineligible status to an issued status.
4. P.P. 9645 entry restrictions on Chadian nationals ended on April 10, 2018. The Department resumed normal visa processing for Chadian nationals beginning at 12:01 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, on April 13, 2018. All visa data for Chadian nationals displayed below is restricted to adjudications that took place prior to April 13, 2018.
5. P.P. 9983 entry restrictions on nationals of Burma, Eritrea, Kyrgyzstan, Nigeria applying for all IVs except certain Special Immigrant Visas (SIVs), and nationals of Sudan and Tanzania applying for Diversity Visas (DVs) took effect on February 21, 2020. All visa data for nationals affected by P.P. 9983 restrictions are limited to applications adjudicated on or after February 21, 2020. The above methodological notes associated with P.P. 9645 also apply to P.P. 9983 in the context of this report.

Table I: Applications of P.P. 9645 and P.P. 9983 Affected Nationalities – Nonimmigrant and Immigrant Visas

302,084 nonimmigrant visa (NIV) and immigrant visa (IV) applications associated with nationals of countries impacted by P.P. 9645 or P.P. 9983 were adjudicated between December 8, 2017 and April 30, 2020. Of these, **215,722** were associated with visa class and nationality combinations not covered by the Proclamation, leaving **49,715** NIV applications and **36,647** IV applications subject to P.P. 9645 or P.P. 9983 restrictions.

Applications of Affected Nationalities – Nonimmigrant and Immigrant Visas

Nationality	Total, Subject to P.P. 9645/P.P. 9983			Issued as Exception to P.P. 9645/P.P. 9983			Ineligible on non- P.P. 9645/P.P. 9983 Grounds			Ineligible under P.P. 9645/P.P. 9983			Issued Pursuant to Waiver of P.P. 9645/P.P. 9983		
	Total	NIV	IV	Total	NIV	IV	Total	NIV	IV	Total	NIV	IV	Total	NIV	IV
Burma ⁴	143	-	143	-	-	-	35	-	35	31	-	31	77	-	77
Chad ¹	204	198	6	11	11	-	113	109	4	67	65	2	13	13	-
Eritrea	40	-	40	-	-	-	9	-	9	26	-	26	5	-	5
Iran	45,002	29,395	15,607	2,575	2,448	127	5,590	4,864	726	29,812	20,798	9,014	7,025	1,285	5,740
Kyrgyzstan ⁴	26	-	26	-	-	-	4	-	4	18	-	18	4	-	4
Libya	1,673	1,184	489	115	97	18	317	287	30	738	661	77	503	139	364
Nigeria ⁴	874	-	874	9	-	9	503	-	503	185	-	185	177	-	177
North Korea	130	130	-	96	96	-	15	15	-	14	14	-	5	5	-
Somalia ²	3,245	-	3,245	89	-	89	352	-	352	1,305	-	1,305	1,499	-	1,499
Sudan	254	-	254	29	-	29	104	-	104	114	-	114	7	-	7
Syria	17,229	13,752	3,477	3,190	3,042	148	4,957	4,840	117	5,591	4,877	714	3,491	993	2,498
Tanzania ⁴	19	-	19	13	-	13	6	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Venezuela ³	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yemen	17,523	5,056	12,467	843	807	36	3,244	2,222	1,022	3,669	1,819	1,850	9,767	208	9,559
Grand Total	86,362	49,715	36,647	6,970	6,501	469	15,249	12,337	2,912	41,570	28,234	13,336	22,573	2,643	19,930

1. P.P. 9645 restrictions on Chadian nationals ended on April 10, 2018. All visa data for Chadian applications is restricted to adjudications that took place prior to April 13, 2018.

2. Somali nonimmigrant visa (NIV) applications are not subject to P.P. 9645 restrictions.

3. P.P. 9645 restrictions on Venezuelan nationals are narrowly targeted. No Venezuelan applications subject to P.P. 9645 were adjudicated during the reporting period.

4. P.P. 9983 entry restrictions on nationals of Burma, Eritrea, Kyrgyzstan, Nigeria, Sudan, and Tanzania took effect on February 21, 2020. All visa data for nationals affected by P.P. 9983 restrictions are limited to applications adjudicated on or after February 21, 2020.

Table II: Applications Considered for P.P. 9645 and P.P. 9983 Waivers – Nonimmigrant and Immigrant Visas

Of the 64,143 nonimmigrant visa (NIV) and immigrant visa (IV) applications considered for a waiver of P.P. 9645 or P.P. 9983 between December 8, 2017 and April 30, 2020, **22,573 were issued visas** pursuant to waivers, while **41,570 remained ineligible** under P.P. 9645 or P.P. 9983. For some applications ineligible for visas under P.P. 9645 or P.P. 9983, it has been established that issuance of visas is in the national interest and that denial of visas would cause undue hardship. These applications are likely to be issued visas, pursuant to waivers of P.P. 9645 or P.P. 9983, following completion of national security checks.

Applications Considered for P.P. 9645/P.P. 9983 Waivers – Nonimmigrant and Immigrant Visas

Nationality	Applications Considered for a Waiver			Not Qualified for Waiver, Ineligible under P.P. 9645/P.P. 9983			Visa Issued Pursuant to Waiver of P.P. 9645/P.P. 9983		
	Total	NIV	IV	Total	NIV	IV	Total	NIV	IV
Burma ⁵	108	-	108	31	-	31	77	-	77
Chad ²	80	78	2	67	65	2	13	13	-
Eritrea ⁵	31	-	31	26	-	26	5	-	5
Iran	36,837	22,083	14,754	29,812	20,798	9,014	7,025	1,285	5,740
Kyrgyzstan ¹	22	-	22	18	-	18	4	-	4
Libya	1,241	800	441	738	661	77	503	139	364
Nigeria ⁵	362	-	362	185	-	185	177	-	177
North Korea	19	19	-	14	14	-	5	5	-
Somalia ³	2,804	-	2,804	1,305	-	1,305	1,499	-	1,499
Sudan ⁵	121	-	121	114	-	114	7	-	7
Syria	9,082	5,870	3,212	5,591	4,877	714	3,491	993	2,498
Tanzania ⁵	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Venezuela ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yemen	13,436	2,027	11,409	3,669	1,819	1,850	9,767	208	9,559
Grand Total	64,143	30,877	33,266	41,570	28,234	13,336	22,573	2,643	19,930

1. Applications are considered for P.P. 9645 Waivers if they are subject to P.P. 9645 (i.e., the application is associated with an affected nationality and a restricted visa class), they do not qualify for an exception to P.P. 9645, and they are not otherwise ineligible for a visa on the basis of a non-P.P. 9645 ground of ineligibility.

2. P.P. 9645 restrictions on Chadian nationals ended on April 10, 2018. All visa data for Chadian applications is restricted to adjudications that took place prior to April 13, 2018.

3. Somalian nonimmigrant visa (NIV) applications are not subject to P.P. 9645 restrictions.

4. P.P. 9645 restrictions on Venezuelan nationals are narrowly targeted. No Venezuelan applications subject to P.P. 9645 were adjudicated during the reporting period.

5. P.P. 9983 entry restrictions on nationals of Burma, Eritrea, Kyrgyzstan, Nigeria, Sudan, and Tanzania took effect on February 21, 2020. All visa data for nationals affected by P.P. 9983 restrictions are limited to applications adjudicated on or after February 21, 2020.