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

December 8, 2017 to February 29, 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 February 29, 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

299,860 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 February 29, 2020. Of these, **215,207** were associated with visa class and nationality combinations not covered by the Proclamation, leaving **49,211** NIV applications and **35,442** 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]	**50**	-	50	**-**	-	-	**10**	-	10	**13**	-	13	**27**	-	27
Chad [1]	**204**	198	6	**11**	11	-	**113**	109	4	**67**	65	2	**13**	13	-
Eritrea	**18**	-	18	**-**	-	-	**3**	-	3	**14**	-	14	**1**	-	1
Iran	**44,749**	29,217	15,532	**2,551**	2,425	126	**5,498**	4,779	719	**29,747**	20,753	8,994	**6,953**	1,260	5,693
Kyrgyzstan [4]	**4**	-	4	**-**	-	-	**1**	-	1	**2**	-	2	**1**	-	1
Libya	**1,635**	1,159	476	**114**	96	18	**315**	285	30	**721**	642	79	**485**	136	349
Nigeria [4]	**428**	-	428	**7**	-	7	**281**	-	281	**57**	-	57	**83**	-	83
North Korea	**127**	127	-	**96**	96	-	**13**	13	-	**13**	13	-	**5**	5	-
Somalia [2]	**3,199**	-	3,199	**89**	-	89	**347**	-	347	**1,280**	-	1,280	**1,483**	-	1,483
Sudan [4]	**53**	-	53	**22**	-	22	**29**	-	29	**2**	-	2	**-**	-	-
Syria	**16,979**	13,534	3,445	**3,130**	2,986	144	**4,878**	4,760	118	**5,530**	4,821	709	**3,441**	967	2,474
Tanzania [4]	**6**	-	6	**5**	-	5	**1**	-	1	**-**	-	-	**-**	-	-
Venezuela [3]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yemen	**17,201**	4,976	12,225	**823**	790	33	**3,137**	2,183	954	**3,583**	1,798	1,785	**9,658**	205	9,453
Grand Total	**84,653**	**49,211**	**35,442**	**6,848**	**6,404**	**444**	**14,626**	**12,129**	**2,497**	**41,029**	**28,092**	**12,937**	**22,150**	**2,586**	**19,564**

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. Somalian 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 63,179 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 February 29, 2020, **22,150 were issued visas** pursuant to waivers, while **41,029 remained ineligible** under P.P. 9645 or P.P. 9983. **For nearly a third** of all 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[1] – 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]	**40**	-	40	**13**	-	13	**27**	-	27
Chad[2]	**80**	78	2	**67**	65	2	**13**	13	-
Eritrea[5]	**15**	-	15	**14**	-	14	**1**	-	1
Iran	**36,700**	22,013	14,687	**29,747**	20,753	8,994	**6,953**	1,260	5,693
Kyrgyzstan[5]	**3**	-	3	**2**	-	2	**1**	-	1
Libya	**1,206**	778	428	**721**	642	79	**485**	136	349
Nigeria[5]	**140**	-	140	**57**	-	57	**83**	-	83
North Korea	**18**	18	-	**13**	13	-	**5**	5	-
Somalia[3]	**2,763**	-	2,763	**1,280**	-	1,280	**1,483**	-	1,483
Sudan[5]	**2**	-	2	**2**	-	2	**-**	-	-
Syria	**8,971**	5,788	3,183	**5,530**	4,821	709	**3,441**	967	2,474
Tanzania[5]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Venezuela[4]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yemen	**13,241**	2,003	11,238	**3,583**	1,798	1,785	**9,658**	205	9,453
Grand Total	**63,179**	**30,678**	**32,501**	**41,029**	**28,092**	**12,937**	**22,150**	**2,586**	**19,564**

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.

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