Implementation of Presidential Proclamation (P.P.) 9645

December 8, 2017 to October 31, 2019

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. 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, covering December 8, 2017, through October 31, 2019. Monthly totals provided in prior P.P. 9645 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, and "Ineligible under P.P. 9645". 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.

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

229,034 nonimmigrant visa (NIV) and immigrant visa (IV) applications associated with nationals of countries impacted by P.P. 9645 were adjudicated between December 8, 2017 and October 31, 2019. Of these, **153,995** were associated with visa class and nationality combinations not covered by the Proclamation, leaving **44,526** NIV applications and **30,513** IV applications subject to P.P. 9645 restrictions.

Applications of Affected Nationalities – Nonimmigrant and Immigrant Visas

Nationality	Total, Subject to P.P. 9645			Issued as Exception to P.P. 9645			Ineligible on non-P.P. 9645 Groun..			Ineligible under P.P. 9645			Issued Pursuant to Waiver of P.P. 9645		
	Total	NIV	IV	Total	NIV	IV	Total	NIV	IV	Total	NIV	IV	Total	NIV	IV
Chad[1]	**201**	195	6	**11**	11	-	**110**	106	4	**67**	65	2	**13**	13	-
Iran	**40,396**	26,820	13,576	**2,212**	2,117	95	**4,795**	4,199	596	**30,489**	19,780	10,709	**2,900**	724	2,176
Libya	**1,408**	1,021	387	**97**	79	18	**266**	251	15	**667**	591	76	**378**	100	278
North Korea	**119**	119	-	**91**	91	-	**10**	10	-	**13**	13	-	**5**	5	-
Somalia[2]	**2,875**	-	2,875	**82**	-	82	**371**	-	371	**1,595**	-	1,595	**827**	-	827
Syria	**14,639**	12,005	2,634	**2,608**	2,479	129	**4,474**	4,357	117	**5,501**	4,539	962	**2,056**	630	1,426
Venezuela[3]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yemen	**15,401**	4,366	11,035	**690**	662	28	**2,902**	1,944	958	**5,029**	1,598	3,431	**6,780**	162	6,618
Grand Total	**75,039**	**44,526**	**30,513**	**5,791**	**5,439**	**352**	**12,928**	**10,867**	**2,061**	**43,361**	**26,586**	**16,775**	**12,959**	**1,634**	**11,325**

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.

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

Of the 56,320 nonimmigrant visa (NIV) and immigrant visa (IV) applications considered for a waiver of P.P. 9645 between December 8, 2017 and October 31, 2019, **12,959 were issued visas** pursuant to waivers, while **43,361 remained ineligible** under P.P. 9645. **For nearly a third** of all applications ineligible for visas under P.P. 9645, 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, following completion of national security checks.

Applications Considered for P.P. 9645 Waivers[1] – Nonimmigrant and Immigrant Visas

Nationality	Applications Considered for a Waiver			Not Qualified for Waiver, Ineligible under P.P. 9645			Visa Issued Pursuant to Waiver of P.P. 9645		
	Total	NIV	IV	Total	NIV	IV	Total	NIV	IV
Chad	80	78	2	67	65	2	13	13	-
Iran[2]	33,389	20,504	12,885	30,489	19,780	10,709	2,900	724	2,176
Libya	1,045	691	354	667	591	76	378	100	278
North Korea	18	18	-	13	13	-	5	5	-
Somalia[3]	2,422	-	2,422	1,595	-	1,595	827	-	827
Syria	7,557	5,169	2,388	5,501	4,539	962	2,056	630	1,426
Venezuela[4]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yemen	11,809	1,760	10,049	5,029	1,598	3,431	6,780	162	6,618
Grand Total	**56,320**	**28,220**	**28,100**	**43,361**	**26,586**	**16,775**	**12,959**	**1,634**	**11,325**

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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