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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
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COMMANDERS OF THE COMBATANT COMMANDS
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SUBJECT: Authorized Departure — Individuals at Higher Risk from COVID-19

The Department of State has authorized a new evacuation order for those who departed under the Global Authorized Departure that became effective March 14, 2020. This new Global Authorized Departure is effective September 10, 2020 through October 9, 2020.

This new Global Authorized Departure applies to DoD eligible family members (EFMs) and civilian employees currently at safe havens under the original Global Authorized Departure. DoD EFMs and civilian employees who did not have travel orders approved prior to May 7, 2020, may no longer avail themselves of the opportunity to depart, consistent with my guidance on May 21, 2020.

The Defense Travel Management Office will provide additional guidance on benefits payment processing under the September 10, 2020 Global Authorized Departure.

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