

The International Public Policy Association condemns US President Donald Trump's Executive Order

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The International Public Policy Association condemns US President Donald Trump's Executive Order entitled "Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States" on January 27, 2017 denying entry to the United States, without forewarning, for categories of people based on their national origin.

As an international scholarly association with more than 1000 members from over 70 countries, we have US scholars as well as members from the seven countries affected by the Executive Order, IPPA is extremely concerned by President Trump's actions and what they will mean for those affected, including our academic colleagues, our students, their families, refugees left stranded by this policy, and countless others.

As a signatory to the Geneva Conventions, the US has a moral and political obligation to offer protection to war refugees on humanitarian grounds. The IPPA strongly disagrees with this Executive Order, which has already disrupted the lives of academics working in the United States and students returning to universities from visits to their families abroad.

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