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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS  
CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF  
COMMANDERS OF THE COMBATANT COMMANDS  
DIRECTORS OF DEFENSE AGENCIES  
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SUBJECT: Authorized Departure — Hong Kong and Macau

The Department of State (DOS) has approved an Authorized Departure from Consulate General Hong Kong (which includes Hong Kong and Macau) for eligible family members (EFMs); non-emergency civilian personnel, as determined by the DOS Chief of Mission; and non-emergency U.S. Direct Hire civilian employees, when needed to accompany departing EFMs and non-emergency civilian personnel, effective February 10, 2020.

DoD EFMs and non-emergency civilian personnel are authorized to depart Hong Kong and Macau. The designated safe-haven for departing DoD EFMs is the United States. The designated safe-haven for departing DoD non-emergency civilian personnel is Arlington, Virginia.

Stop Forward Movement: U.S. Government-funded travel to Hong Kong and Macau for all DoD EFMs and non-emergency civilian personnel is suspended.

The Authorized Departure will remain in effect until terminated by DOS, and the Stop Forward Movement Order will remain in effect until terminated by me.

DoD EFMs of Service members will be processed for safe-haven allowances in accordance with the Joint Travel Regulations (JTR), Chapter 6 (Evacuation Travel), paragraph 0602. DoD civilian employees and their EFMs will be processed for allowances in accordance with the JTR, Chapter 6, paragraph 0604.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew P. Donovan", is positioned above the typed name.

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