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As I understand it, the proposed change to this document consists primarily of limiting the gender or sex options to male and female, and that it should correspond to some biological birth marker. The primary purpose of a passport is to identify an individual in the present day. How their body appeared or what physiology they had at birth is not relevant to identifying them in the present day. Furthermore, many states are now supporting additional gender/sex options in their documentation, and removing that from federal systems would complicate cross-referencing and verification with state data. Finally, even if these factors don't outweigh the possibly simpler revised federal form with only two options, the burden, confusion, and costs of the change would outweigh that small benefit, especially considering how dehumanizing the binary gender markers would be for many people.