## **Public Comments for ICR 202502-1405-001**

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## **Comments Received:**

The Department of State has no legitimate role in enforcing "the biological reality of sex", as stated in E.O. 14168; nor is biological sex at birth in any way necessary to identify someone for purposes of updating a passport that has already been issued.

Requiring an applicant to submit their sex assigned at birth rather than their current gender serves no legitimate purpose; the whole point of the identifying information on a passport is that it is up-to-date so that the passport holder can be identified as they are now.

This proposed change would accomplish nothing beyond effectuating arbitrary cruelty toward vulnerable minority groups. Targeting a vulnerable minority group in this way spits in the face of American values and undermines our country's moral legitimacy around the world. This proposed rule represents a perversion of the US State Department and is a shameful waste of public resources.