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## **Comments Received:**

The proposed changes to comply with E.O. 14168 would cause significant harm to transgender and intersex people living in the United States. These groups include people among my friends and family, who would be unable to accurately describe themselves on their passports. The intent of E.O. 14168 is to cause harm to vulnerable people within the transgender and intersex communities, and by complying with it the Department of State would be complicit in that harm. Additionally, E.O. 14168 cannot be reconciled with the scientific and social realities of our world. Gender and sex are not identical, and both of these categories are socially constructed. E.O. 14168 is an attempt to radically change how these categories are socially constructed. I hope that the Department of State will reconsider these changes.