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I strongly disagree with changing gender to sex, and with limiting the response to M or F. These updates are in violation of the injunction put on State by the U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado in the Zzyym v. Blinken case (formerly Zzyym v. Pompeo, Zzyym v. Tillerson, and Zzyym v. Kerry). Additionally, gender presentation is more impactful in how somebody is perceived than their assigned sex at birth, which may or may not be congruent with their perceived sex or gender as an adult. Further, a not insignificant portion of American citizens are intersex, making a simple M or F option insufficient. Changing the forms just to have "sex" instead of "gender" and limiting the response to M or F is not only completely unnecessary for the proper functions of the State Department, it adds additional, unnecessary burdens on the government. This change would do nothing to enhance the quality, utility, or clarity of the information to be collected. There is nothing to be gained, and much to be lost, including time and money, along with personal dignity of American citizens.