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I am opposed to the changes to the passport process for trans individuals seeking to update their passports. Not allowing them to update to the correct gender and/or reverting their gender to their birth sex causes tangible harm, particularly for individuals who may be traveling abroad. Not having a marker that is consistent with their appearance creates risk by "outing" that individual and opening them up to unnecessary searches. If the purpose of a passport is identification, then it stands to reason that having a marker that is consistent with one's other documents and their presentation and gender would make sense.