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The concepts of "biological sex" and "sex assigned at birth" are completely irrelevant to an individual's fitness to hold a passport, and are useless as identifiers. You cannot tell a person's sex conclusively by looking at them. (No, not even by looking at their genitals, which for heaven's sake, are we really considering??? Who's being inappropriate or immoral, here?...))

National security will not be improved by codifying on a passport something which is highly subjective. Yes, sex is subjective. Someone's sex or gender can be perceived incorrectly by another making a snap judgment based on their appearance ALL THE TIME, and this can be true for cisgender, transgender, any person.

Do you really think it's going to make the agency more efficient if they have to collect and review documentation related to a person's BIRTH (records which may be decades old or very difficult to track down), any cosmetic or medical procedures or burns or accidents or injuries that have altered their appearance? What kind of documentation do you propose for cultural variations in the clothes or hairstyles people wear that could be incorrectly interpreted by another as gender consistent or gender non-consistent?

There is no evidence that sex- or gender-related profiling increases security.

What it would certainly do is waste lots of time and resources, create lots of confusion, and spur interpersonal conflicts when people's ideas about gender, aesthetics, appropriateness of dress or hair or body mod or recovery from a treatment, etc. etc. etc. clash.

Rather than even worrying about who determines someone's gender or how, it would be ultimately more efficient to remove gender markers altogether, and use more concrete identifiers for identification documents and security screenings.

Fingerprinting is an obvious alternative. It's minimally invasive, not usually covered by clothing (from the most casual to the most modest), is probably considered inoffensive by nearly all, and certainly far more appropriate for an official or agency to look into than someone's private intimate body organs.

I encourage federal employees to be decent, show that common sense can still be found, and stop obsessing unnecessarily over people's physical, sexual, or identity attributes. It is NOT productive, doesn't reflect well on the country, and certainly doesn't make any process more streamlined, effective or efficient.