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You are no doubt receiving a lot of comments on the inhumanity and the cruelty of such a change. I agree with these arguments, but I also wanted to submit that it is adverse to the whole point of data collection for a passport. This policy change would force people to lie on their passport applications, to claim a gender that is not in alignment with their supporting documents, that they do not introduce themselves as, that they are not known by. This adds confusion and opacity into the identification process. When details matter, you want to know precisely who someone is. Forcing them to give a false answer in service to an obsolete ideology is foolish even from the perspective of the Government. This is bad policy, it is cruel policy, and it is against our ideals.