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There are two kinds of information on a passport: information that says you go with the passport, like the photo, and information that you are identified for, like your name and passport number. The sex field on a passport is clearly intended to show that you go with the passport. No one is looking at a passport to determine your sex. That has absolutely nothing to do with why passports are issued. In determining if the person presenting a passport is its rightful owner, all that matters is what is in front of the examiner's eyes. They see the full person presenting before them. They cannot see their genetics. They cannot see if they are producing sperm or ova. They cannot see decisions made decades before in the delivery room of their birth. They see the person. As such, to be effective identification, the sex on a passport must match how its holder presents themselves to the world. There is no compelling government interest or justifiable purpose in having a passport report the conditions at the time of a person's birth. It must reflect the present day. This proposed policy is a fundamental corruption of the purpose of the sex field on a passport, and is a politicized action to abuse the harmless members of the transgender minority in the United States of America.