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I strongly oppose the proposed rule that would change the DS-5504 Form to reflect "sex assigned at birth". This policy denies the scientific reality that intersex and transgender people exist. Furthermore, this effort is a waste of money and time when the government is stating that they are trying to improve efficiency. Requiring sex assigned at birth on a US Passport serves no valid security or identity verification purpose. It merely exposes transgender individuals who are US citizens to potential discrimination and harassment while using their passport to travel internationally. It is the duty of the US Government to protect all US citizens and this policy is clearly intended to inflict harm. I urge the administration to reverse this policy and uphold a passport policy that respects the dignity and safety of all US citizens. I urge the State Department to cease the implementation of this policy and perform its role of protecting the safety of its constituents.