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## **Comments Received:**

Re: DOS\_FRDOC\_0001, Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposals, Submissions, and Approvals: Application for a U.S. Passport

To Whom It May Concern,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Application for a U.S. Passport query. I am a US citizen, taxpayer and passport holder.

I would like to raise concerns regarding the Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposals, Submissions, and Approvals: Application for a U.S. Passport document:, specifically the section regarding complacency with E.O. 14168, "Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government", as a traveller who will be directly impacted by the updates to the form in question.

These changes are needlessly convoluted and complicate things for every passport-bearing citizen. It is a huge financial burden on your agency, and furthermore, a waste of government funds to overhaul an entire system. Furthermore, the change in wording from "gender" to "sex" forces me, and other individuals, to disclose private medical information that the government has no clear or defined need for the purpose of issuing or renewing a passport. It also outlines a complete failure to acknowledge the existence of intersex individuals or individuals whose gender does not match what they were assigned at birth. This will be reflected in the agency's financial costs, as the new fees for printing and reissuing formerly valid passport books for millions of citizens will be a costly expenditure that needlessly spends taxpayer funds. Taxpayer funds that I am granted a right to voice my opinion on how it is spent.

I would prefer that the general application and renewal of existing passport forms remain as they are, to avoid the cost that the effort required to change it is going to incur, and to mitigate the harm I foresee this causing upon innocent American citizens and taxpayers.

If that is deemed impossible, I then call for the Department to remove the Sex and Gender identifier from passports entirely. They serve no purpose in face-value identification and require further time to submit and process.

In summary, complying with E.O. 14168 will cost the department in terms of money, and incur undue suffering upon innocent American citizens and taxpayers.

Sincerely,

**Anonymous**