MEMORANDUM FOR USAFE-AFAFRICA NAF AND WING COMMANDERS
AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER COMMANDER

FROM: USAFE-AFAFRICA/CC
Unit 3281
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SUBJECT: Travel Restriction Waiver to Coronavirus Disease 2019—Air Force Permanent Change of Station (PCS) Priority Execution Plan—Priority 9, Overseas Rotations

References: (a) Secretary of Defense Memorandum, “Transition to Conditions-based Phased Approach to Coronavirus Disease 2019 Personnel Movement and Travel Restrictions,” 22 May 2020
(b) Secretary of the Air Force Memorandum, “Travel Restriction Delegations of Authority,” 11 May 2020
(c) Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness Memorandum, “Force Health Protection Guidance (Supplement 4)—Department of Defense Guidance for Personnel Traveling During the Novel Coronavirus Outbreak,” 11 March 2020

1. Consistent with HAF determinations regarding prioritized PCS movement outlined in the AF Assignment DEROS and RNLTD “Re-Flow” Plan, I have determined Overseas Rotations to/from USAFE-AFAFRICA OCONUS positions are critical to the continued operations of AF mission-essential functions.

2. Effective immediately, military members that are projected to PCS to/from these USAFE-AFAFRICA OCONUS mission-essential positions are authorized to PCS contingent on both gaining and losing command coordination. Additionally, civilian employees projected to PCS to USAFE-AFAFRICA for OCONUS vacancies are mission-essential functions and authorized to proceed as an exception to policy, contingent on both gaining and losing command coordination and, if applicable, availability of centralized or local PCS funds. Civilian employees rotating back to the CONUS in compliance with their tour agreement are covered under an already-existing exemption.

3. PCS travel is authorized IAW current RNLTD/DEROS; early departure/reporting is not authorized simply due to the existence of this waiver. However, members and commanders have discretion to request deviations from current RNLTDs/DEROS dates through existing AFPC processes to facilitate readiness, alleviate hardship, or if gaining locations are not able to accept incoming Airmen.

4. The following conditions must be met prior to travel:
a. Losing and gaining commanders must verify local conditions are conducive to travel and that gaining installations/units will accept personnel.

b. Establish pre-and post-travel screening and reception procedures for all authorized travelers as provided in reference (c) and any subsequent guidance, to include establishing a means of communication with all personnel throughout the pre-and post-travel screening and reception process and providing information regarding prescribed actions for their particular circumstances, to include any required Restriction of Movements (ROMs) directed by local commanders.

c. Travelers must use military- or DoD-contracted end-to-end travel using aircraft or other conveyance for DoD-sponsored travelers to the greatest extent practicable, unless between areas designated for unrestricted travel.

d. Travelers must maintain contact with their gaining organization in advance of travel and keep the organization updated on their travel itinerary.

5. Authorized dependents are permitted movement under this waiver; travel will be consistent with AFI 36-2110, Joint Travel Regulation, and reference (c).

6. For any questions regarding this waiver, the USAFE-AFAFRICA point of contact is HQUSAFe-AFAFRICA/A1KE, usafea1.a1kb@us.af.mil, DSN 480-9032.

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