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MEMORANDUM TO Chief, Air Passenger Movement and Fleet Service Policy Branch, Air Transportation Division, Directorate of Logistics, Engineering, and Force Protection (HQ AMC/A4TP)

SUBJECT: 120-Day Grace Period for Japan and South Korea

- 1. Reference. AMIM-HRM- P memorandum dated 11 September 2025, subject: Request for 30-Day Grace Period
- 2. The Department of War Passport Services Division (PSD), in coordination with the Foreign Clearance Program (FCP), had previously requested HQ AMC/A4TP allow a 30-day grace period, until 11 October 2025 to allow eligible family members (EFMs) and DoD civilians to board AMC flights departing the APOEs located at Baltimore and Seattle to travel using only a Regular (blue tourist) Passport. This grace period was intended to provide additional time for the rescission of the exception to policy (ETP), as referenced in paragraph 1 above, to be fully communicated throughout the Department of War and to minimize disruption for travelers already enroute to their assignments. This grace period was intended to cover EFMs and DoD civilians on official travel to Germany, Japan and South Korea.
- 3. While maintaining the 30-day grace period for official travel to Germany due to the upcoming implementation of the European Union Entry/Exit System (EES), PSD is extending the grace period (allowing passengers to board AMC flights using Regular Tourist Passports) for travel to Japan and South Korea to 120 days, through 9 January 2026. This 120-day extension was requested by senior leadership of the Army and Marine Corps located in Japan and South Korea. The Foreign Clearance Guide country pages do not currently reflect these extensions, which is intended to ensure accurate guidance on travel credential compliance in accordance with DoDM O-1000.21.
- 4. The point of contact for this request is Dr. John M. Moeller, Chief, DoW Passport Services Division, at john.m.moeller.civ@army.mil, or 703-545-0376.

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