

New Executive Order Impacting Immigration to the U.S. Expected Today

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President Trump indicated this morning that he will sign an Executive Order today limiting immigration into the U.S.

At a press briefing last night, the president seemed to indicate that the Executive Order suspending immigration benefits may only impact those seeking Green Cards, and that an initial suspension of Green Card processing and/or issuance would be in effect for 60 days (with the policy being reevaluated at the end of that 60 day period regarding next steps). While the depth of and context for this suspension of Green Card services has yet to be determined, it does appear that temporary workers may not be impacted—or may be impacted in a limited context—by the executive order being finalized and signed today. That said, we are approaching this situation with extreme care and will provide an update on the limitations enumerated in the Executive Order once it is published. We will be reaching out directly to clients impacted by the Executive Order, and will continue to publish updates as information becomes available, on this blog.

Lippes Mathias urges those who are concerned about the impact of U.S. immigration actions discussed in the media to keep in mind that media reports are often speculative and may not reflect facts or actual impacts of pending executive actions and policy changes. Please check back on this blog for guidance from our experienced immigration team regarding real impacts of government actions impacting U.S. immigration.

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