March 6, 2017

Dear International Student Community,

I am writing you in regards to the Executive Order (EO) that affects travel, visas and entry for individuals from six specific countries (Yemen, Somalia, Sudan, Iran, Libya and Syria). This EO has been revised from the version that was originally in effect on January 27, 2017. The new EO is dated from today, March 6, 2017, and will officially take effect on March 16, 2017.

Again, I want to remind you that OISS works to ensure that students understand immigration systems and policies in the U.S. and provides resources and support to help students navigate these systems. We are here for anyone that may have questions or concerns regarding the EO and/or its immigration and cultural implications and we are happy to meet with you. We have also been in contact with the students that may be directly impacted by this EO.

All of you are welcome in the RISD community. We are fortunate to have such a diverse and amazing student population from around the world.

Please don't hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely, Kate Sacco

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