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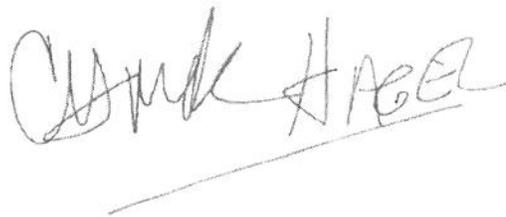
MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Restriction on Temporary Duty Travel to Afghanistan From June 1 to September 20, 2014

I am directing that there be no visits to Afghanistan from June 1 to September 20, 2014, by Department of Defense (DoD) senior civilian and military personnel. DoD Components will scrutinize senior-leader travel plans to ensure compliance with this policy.

All requests for an exception to this policy must be coordinated through the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Central Asia for approval by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff or me. This policy is not intended to inhibit the normal operational flow of personnel to Afghanistan. Its purpose is to curtail and consolidate senior-level DoD visits to Afghanistan during a critical period for the Coalition and our Afghan partners. Allies, congressional delegations, and other U.S. Government departments and agencies have also been asked to honor this travel restriction.

Please ensure all civilian and military personnel within your Component are briefed on the spirit and intent of this policy.





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