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Business Immigration ALERT: President Trump's January 27, Executive Order Entry Ban Not Directly Impacting Japanese Citizens as of February 1, 2017

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On January 27, 2017, President Trump issued an Executive Order (EO) immediately suspending entry into the United States for individuals from Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen for at least 90 days. As of the date of this alert, Japanese citizens are not directly impacted by the travel ban. However, Japanese citizens who have traveled to these countries, may expect to be more thoroughly interviewed by U.S. Customs and Boarder Protection Officers when entering the United States.

The EO requires all individuals, including Japanese citizens applying for nonimmigrant visas, such as E and L visas to undergo an in-person interview and therefore cannot process renewal applications by the previous mail option available to some individuals.

For details, please refer to our Immigration Alert – Travel Advisory & Visa Processing Guidance (as of 1/31/17) and our Immigration Updates.