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New Border Crossing Concerns

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The “problem”

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- U.S. Border crossing rules changed on Jan. 27, 2017
- That didn't go smoothly.
- Added uncertainty to US entry & re-entry.
- Initial order stayed, new order issued on Mar. 6, effective Mar. 16.
- New order not as onerous
- **STILL**, border crossing has become more uncertain.

The “issues”

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- Will new border crossing “challenges” affect 802 attendees?
- Is it better (for ease of attendance) to have meetings inside or outside US?
- How many participants may be affected?
- Does 802 need to do anything?

SPECIAL EVENING SESSION

- Monday, 6:30, Hyatt room: Regency CD
- Agenda: Survey & Discussion

“New” Executive Order

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- Executive Order 13780
- Title: “Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States”
- Issue date: March 6, 2017
- Effective date: March 16, 2017
(unless barred by court action, none yet)
- Rescinds Executive Order 13769

Executive Order 13780

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- Suspends the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program for 120 days (to expire 16/07/2017)
- Restricts admission and halts new visa applications of citizens from:
Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Yemen for 90 days (to expire 2017/06/16)
- Orders list of countries for entry restrictions after 90 days
- Suspends admission of refugees for 120 days (to expire 2017/07/16)

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Not Supposed to Affect:

- U.S. Citizens
- U.S. Green card holders
- Those who hold valid visa to U.S.
- Native citizens of other countries

Who is Left?

- Those in the U.S. who shouldn't cross border
- Refugees from Middle East who have settled and are working in their new home (Europe?)

Does This Matter to 802?

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This Meeting is to Answer That Question

- Do we need to change venue policy?
- If so, how?
- How many people are affected?
- Directly? _____
- From my company? _____

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Discussion Topics

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- Increased hassle at US border
- Computer security at border
- Anything I have missed?
- Other venue considerations/country

Venue Policy

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In the early days of IEEE 802, plenaries were generally held in the North America. This was balanced somewhat by holding some interim meetings in non-North American locations. We have always had significant international participation and would like our plenary meeting locations to be consistent with that.

More recently IEEE 802 has attempted to have non-North America plenary meeting at least once a year, generally on a rotation between Europe and Eastern Asia.

Non-North America meetings have been a challenge because of the difference in financial basis under which hotels operate and because of the size and facilities of non-North America hotels in general.

In North America it is common for hotels to waive meeting room charges with a sleeping room block guarantee and a minimum catering guarantee. Such is not generally the case oversea where a la carte is the norm.

Venue Considerations

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- Travel Accessibility (including from overseas)
- Facility Availability
- Cost
- Attendee Safety
- Perception

These are covered in more detail in a separate document

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THANK YOU
for
your time, participation
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