

Special Notice to Foreign Assistance Recipients

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Subject: [External] Special Notice to Foreign Assistance Recipients

On March 10, 2025, the Court hearing the case of *AIDS Vaccine Coalition v. U.S. Department of State and Global Health Council v. Trump* entered a Preliminary Injunction order against the Department of State, USAID, and OMB, that contains the following operative language:

“Defendants Marco Rubio, Peter Marocco, Russell Vought, the U.S. Department of State, the U.S. Agency for International Development, and the Office of Management and Budget (the “Restrained Defendants”) and their agents are enjoined from enforcing or giving effect to sections 1, 5, 7, 8, and 9 of the January 24 State Department memorandum, and any other directives that implement sections 3(a) and 3(c) of Executive Order No. 14169, by giving effect to any terminations, suspensions, or stop-work orders issued between January 20, 2025, and February 13, 2025, for any grants, cooperative agreements, or contracts for foreign assistance. Accordingly, the Restrained Defendants shall not withhold payments or letter of credit drawdowns for work completed prior to February 13, 2025.

The Restrained Defendants are enjoined from unlawfully impounding congressionally appropriated foreign aid funds and shall make available for obligation the full amount of funds that Congress appropriated for foreign assistance programs in the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2024.”

“It is further ORDERED that the Restrained Defendants shall take all steps necessary to effectuate this order and shall provide written notice of this order to all recipients of contracts, grants, and cooperative agreements for foreign assistance that were in existence between January 20, 2025, and February 13, 2025.”

We will provide further guidance on this Preliminary Injunction as soon as we are able to do so. Award-specific direction will be communicated through cognizant contracting and grant officers as appropriate.

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