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TEMPLE STUDENT GOVERNMENT CONDEMNS EXECUTIVE ORDER

PHILADELPHIA, PA - January 30, 2017- Temple Student Government (TSG) is both saddened and outraged by the recent Executive Order suspending travel from seven blacklisted countries. The Temple University student body stands for diversity and respect for the cultures of others. Temple was founded on the promise that all people have a fundamental right to learn and grow in an accepting environment free from fear. We condemn this Executive Order as contrary to the core values the Temple student body represents.

TSG will continue to be a voice for Temple students. Members of our Senior Leadership Team have been in contact with the International Student Affairs Department as well as university leadership and will continue to advocate for students, no matter their backgrounds.

International Student and Scholar Services and the International Student Affairs team have a variety of resources available that TSG can help connect students to. TSG is also available to speak with student organizations to help provide information about the impact of this order.

TSG commends President Englert's statement in support of our shared values. We take comfort in Temple students' capacity for compassion and understanding, and in the knowledge that students will support one another in this difficult time. We will continue to advocate for the student body.