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MEMORANDUM FOR: Directors, Field Operations

Office of Field Operations

FROM: Executive Director Watthew S. Davies

Admissibility and Passenger Programs

SUBJECT: Title 42 Exceptions for Ukrainian Nationals

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Office of Field Operations (OFO) is currently assisting the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in enforcing its *Order Suspending the Right to Introduce Certain Persons from Countries Where a Quarantinable Communicable Disease Exists* under Sections 362 & 365 of the Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C. § 265 & 268, hereafter referred to as "Title 42."

The Department of Homeland Security recognizes that the unjustified Russian war of aggression in Ukraine has created a humanitarian crisis. CBP is authorized, consistent with the Title 42 Order, on a case-by-case basis based on the totality of the circumstances, including considerations of humanitarian interests, to except Ukrainian nationals at land border ports of entry from Title 42. Non-citizens who are in possession of a valid Ukrainian passport or other valid Ukrainian identity document, and absent risk factors associated with national security or public safety, may be considered for exception from Title 42 under this guidance.

Ukrainian non-citizens granted an exception from Title 42 may be processed for any disposition under Title 8, as appropriate, including urgent port of entry humanitarian parole on a case-by-case basis.

The attached muster contains specific processing guidance. Please ensure that this memorandum and muster are disseminated to all ports of entry within your jurisdiction. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Luis Mejia, Deputy Executive Director, Admissibility and Passenger Programs (APP) at