The Secretary presents his compliments to their Excellencies and Messieurs and Mesdames the Chiefs of Mission and wishes to bring to their attention information concerning an Amended Order from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) regarding the requirement for a negative pre-departure test for COVID-19 or documentation of recovery from COVID-19 for all airline or aircraft passengers two years of age or older arriving into the United States from any foreign country. This Order is effective as of **12:01am EST (5:01am GMT) on December 6, 2021. The Department notes that these requirements apply to all foreign mission personnel and their dependents; there are no exceptions for holders of diplomatic visas.**

The text of the Amended Order and the required Combined Passenger Disclosure and Attestation form can be found on the CDC website at the following location: [https://www.cdc.gov/quarantine/fr-proof-negative-test.html](https://www.cdc.gov/quarantine/fr-proof-negative-test.html). Further explanation of the Amended Order and the information required from air passengers can be found at: [https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/testing-international-air-travelers.html](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/testing-international-air-travelers.html).

The Amended Order supplements, and does not replace, previously announced Proclamations establishing additional travel restrictions and vaccination


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