

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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President Donald J. Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington, DC 20500

Mr. President,

As you are well aware, thousands of Americans across the globe are attempting to get home to the United States in the wake of the most significant pandemic of our generation. Due to local restrictions and travel difficulties associated with the COVID-19 outbreak, an estimated 13,500 American citizens are struggling to return to their families and homes in the United States.

With significant commercial travel restrictions in place around the globe, we feel the time has come to take military action to repatriate these citizens. As co-chairs of the House National Guard and Reserve Caucus, we are calling on you, as Commander-in-Chief, to immediately mobilize our nation's military airlift, including Reserve and National Guard assets as needed, to ensure the safe return of these citizens. With additional travel restrictions and hotel closures happening worldwide, we cannot wait any longer to get our people home.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Steven M. Palazzo
Member of Congress



Tim Ryan
Member of Congress