



Dear Aggie Family,

On January 27, 2017, the White House issued an executive order limiting immigrant and non-immigrant visa holders from Iraq, Syria, Iran, Sudan, Somalia, Libya and Yemen from entering the United States for 90 days. The order also directed the U.S. Secretary of State to suspend admission of refugees to the United States for 120 days and to suspend all refugee processing of Syrian nationals

North Carolina A&T took appropriate steps through the weekend, as requested by the UNC system office, to advise students and employees who are nationals of the countries identified in the EO to refrain from traveling outside the country. Additionally, we continue to monitor developments regarding the executive order in Washington, North Carolina, and in courtrooms where the order is being challenged. The university is committed to appropriate measures that ensure the safety and well-being of our students, faculty and staff, regardless of race, religion, ethnicity, or national origin.

The past 72 hours have been troubling for many and particularly unsettling for individuals directly affected by the executive order. Over the history of our university, challenging times have consistently inspired the best in the A&T family, and I have no doubt that they will during this time as well. As a global institution, we greatly respect and value the contributions of all of our students, faculty and staff as treasured members of our community.

I have asked the [Office of Counseling Services](#), [Office of International Affairs](#), and Human Resources through the [Employee Assistance Program](#) to provide assistance and support to anyone in need. We will continue to monitor the progress of this order and will keep you updated with additional information as it becomes available.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Harold L. Martin, Sr."

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