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## IMPORTANT PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

## **US Government Measures on Border Security and Immigration Enforcement**

The Consulate General of the Kingdom of Bhutan in New York would like to inform all Bhutanese nationals residing in or traveling to the United States of America that the US Government has issued a formal notification dated 28 May 2025 on strengthened measures concerning border security and immigration enforcement.

The Consulate General of the Kingdom of Bhutan in New York would like to share that the US Government has reaffirmed its commitment to strict enforcement of immigration laws and the protection of its national borders as outlined below. We urge all Bhutanese nationals to take note of the following:

- 1. **Prosecution for Illegal entry:** Foreign nationals attempting to enter the United States without proper authorization will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
- Consequences for overstaying or violating laws: Individuals who enter the US legally but
  overstay their authorized period of stay, or who violate US laws, may face arrest,
  significant fines, and/or imprisonment. They may also be deported and subject to a
  permanent ban on re-entry to the US.
- 3. Voluntary departure for undocumented individuals: Foreign nationals currently residing in the US without legal status are advised to depart immediately. Those seeking to take advantage of voluntary departure programs and available financial incentives are required to register through the CBP Home App, accessible at www.dhs.gov/cbphome.
- 4. Penalties for facilitating mass immigration: The US will not tolerate those who facilitate illegal and mass immigration to the US. The US Government has introduced new visa restrictions targeting foreign government officials and other individuals who facilitate or support illegal and large-scale migration to the US.



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Consequences for non-cooperation on repatriation: Governments that do not cooperate
in the timely repatriation of their nationals may face serious diplomatic consequences,
including broad restrictions on visa issuance and entry into the US for their citizens.

The Consulate General strongly urges all Bhutanese nationals to comply with US immigration laws and to refrain from any actions that could result in arrest, prosecution, deportation, imprisonment, or fines.

For further clarification or assistance, please contact the Consulate General of the Kingdom of Bhutan, New York.



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