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Smart Traveler Day Campaign – February 21st, 2013 has been designated Smart Traveler Day. The goal of this campaign is to encourage U.S. citizens to take advantage of the Department of State's online travel resources as they prepare for international travel, find country-specific information on travel.state.gov, and sign up for the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) at www.travel.state.gov/step (also available via a mobile app for both iPhone and Android).

More about the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP)

Stay Informed. Sign up for our free Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (formerly known as “Travel Registration” or “Registration with Embassies”) to receive the latest travel updates and information.

When you sign up, you will automatically receive the most current information we compile about the country where you will be traveling or living. You will also receive updates, including Travel Warnings and Travel Alerts (where appropriate). You only need to sign up once, and then you can add and delete trips from your account based on your current travel plans.

Stay Connected. By connecting with us on the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program, we will be able to assist you better in the case of an emergency, such as if you lose your passport or it is stolen while you are abroad.

We also assist U.S. citizens in other emergencies, such as in natural disasters. For example, after the earthquake in Haiti, we evacuated over 16,700 U.S. citizens and family members. During the civil unrest in Lebanon in 2006 we assisted nearly

15,000 U.S. citizens and family members, and in 2004 we helped thousands more during the tsunami.

The travel and contact information you enter into our Smart Traveler Enrollment Program will make it easier for consular officers in U.S. embassies and consulates around the world to contact you and your loved ones during an emergency — including situations where your family or friends in the U.S. are having problems trying to contact you with important news.

Stay Safe. We believe that a well-informed traveler is a safer traveler. Our consular officers around the world compile country-specific information, travel alerts, travel warnings, fact sheets and emergency messages to provide you with timely and accurate travel information about every country where you may travel.

We include reports on possible risks and security threats so that you can make informed decisions about your travel plans and activities.

Stay informed by connecting with us via our Smart Traveler Enrollment Program so you can have safe and enjoyable travels!

Your Privacy Is Paramount All the personal information you provide to us is protected under the Privacy Act of 1974. This law prohibits us from sharing the information with anyone *without your written authorization*. Certain exceptions exist, such as when we need to share information on a limited basis in order to protect your safety and welfare in extreme circumstances.

Sign up today for the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) at www.travel.state.gov/step (also available via a mobile app for both iPhone and Android).

As always, the U.S. Embassy Luxembourg is available to answer any questions you may have +352 46 01 23. Important information appears on:

our website <http://luxembourg.usembassy.gov/>,

our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/usdos.Luxembourg>

and our Twitter account <http://twitter.com/usembluxembourg> .

In the event of a crisis or emergency, we will send regular updates through Twitter.