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Dear siblings in Christ:

I write to you today in light of the painful news that a sweeping new executive order from President Trump has taken effect. This policy bans travel to the United States by people in many countries, including those in which many of you live and minister around The Episcopal Church and across the Anglican Communion.

To those of you directly impacted by this unjust action, know that you are not alone. You are beloved members of the Body of Christ, and our church will not stand by in silence. Our shared faith calls us to see Christ in the faces of the marginalized and the vulnerable. The Gospel compels us to prioritize the needs of those at the edges of society—immigrants, refugees, and all who seek safety from brutality and persecution.

I want you to know that I am in conversation with our Office of Government Relations, and we as a church commit to praying for those affected; raising awareness about the impact of this executive order on your churches, dioceses, and families; advocating for policies that honor the dignity of every person; and redoubling our efforts to support people living in fear in our communities and around the world.

May we, as the Body of Christ, continue to bear witness to God's kingdom, where the boundaries are not just extended but transformed—where those at the margins are brought to the center, and where love casts out fear.

May the peace of the Risen Christ guard your hearts, minds, and bodies—and lead us forward in courage and in love.

Yours in Christ,

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