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Revised Travel Ban Blocked

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Late on March 15, Judge Derrick Watson of the U.S. District Court in Hawaii issued a nationwide injunction blocking the revised travel ban Executive Order that was scheduled to take effect on March 16. In addition, on March 16, Maryland U.S. District Judge Theodore D. Chuang, in a less sweeping order, granted a nationwide injunction blocking the 90-day travel ban on nationals from the six listed countries.

President Donald Trump, speaking at a rally in Tennessee, stated the revised ban was a "watered down version" of the original ban and pledged "to fight the ruling as far as it needs to go" – including to the Supreme Court. The Administration's legal strategy <u>may hinge in part on the progress of the Senate hearings</u> to put Judge Neil Gorsuch on the Supreme Court.

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