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Moving Towards Seamless Travel

Human and Organizational Factors

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Evolution of ABC Gates

§ Early Programs

- § e.g. CanPass (CAN), Privium (NLD), INSpass (USA)
- § Enrolment with background check
- § Country-specific

§ Current Programs

- § e.g. AUS-NZL, multiple EU based ABC programs
- § No pre-enrolment
- § Federated, bilateral or multilateral

§ Risk has shifted to the passport.

State Department looks into Juarez visa fraud

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The Associated Press

EL PASO - No temporary visas were being processed at the U.S. Consulate General in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, on Thursday as State Department officials investigated charges of visa fraud.

The State Department halted all visa processing on Wednesday, but allowed the immigrant visa section, which issues green cards, to reopen on Thursday.

Food for Thought



- § The integrity of passports and other travel documents is a key component of national and international anti-crime and anti-terrorism strategies. (ref. UN SC resolution 1373 obligations)
- § Prevention of fraud is undeniably more efficient and much less costly than dealing with the consequences of successful fraud.
- § Recommended best practice:
The identity document issuing process should be recognized as having an impact on national and international security and be included in the governmental security framework.

Need for Passport Issuance Security Standards



- § It is very likely that your passport issuance system will be attacked
- § Successful attacks threaten social security & have potential for increased criminal activity
- § Successful attacks put at risk the international reputation of your passport & its utility to citizens as a travel document
- § A respected travel document facilitates travel and economic activity

Best Practices: Issuance of Travel Documents

- § Applicable to all ID and travel documents including passports, visas, national ID, etc.
- § Recommended Practices include:
 - § Organizational and Personnel issues
 - § Application, Entitlement and Delivery
 - § Handling of Materials
 - § Document Security
 - § Physical Security and Information Technology Security
 - § International (SLTD, Consular, Partners)



Summary: Best Practices



- § The passport issuing process should be recognized as having an impact on national and international security and be included in the governmental security framework.
- § The passport issuing authority should have clear mandate and responsibilities, established by legislation or suitably enforced regulations.
- § Written security policies and guidelines should be developed and communicated to all. They should be strictly enforced. They should be periodically reviewed and updated.
- § Independent from passport ops, a security team responsible for managing the security framework, should be in place.



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