

*Restricted Activities for NGO and IO Recipients of Foreign Assistance*

Entity	Restricted Activities Regardless of Funding Source	Restricted Activities within Foreign Assistance-Funded Programs	Safe Harbor for Privately Funded Activities	Key Definitions
<b>Protecting Life Policy</b>				
U.S. NGOs	Providing abortion as a method of family planning.	Providing or promoting abortion as a method of family planning.	May promote abortion as a method of family planning so long as no USG funding is used.	“Promoting” includes allocating resources, counseling or referrals, lobbying, public campaigns, and sex-education materials that endorse abortion as family planning.
Foreign NGOs and IOs	Providing or promoting abortion as family planning; funding any foreign NGO or IO that conducts such activities.	N/A	N/A	
<b>Gender Ideology Policy</b>				
U.S. NGOs	Providing sex-rejecting procedures.	Promoting gender ideology.	May promote gender ideology so long as no USG funding is used.	“Promoting” includes advising, referring, or facilitating gender-affirming procedures or social transition; lobbying for gender-identity legal status or access; public campaigns; sex-education materials including gender ideology; and activities such as drag-queen workshops, performances, or documentaries.  “Gender ideology” is defined as replacing the biological category of sex with self-assessed gender identity, asserting that males can become females and vice versa, and requiring institutions to regard this as true; includes a spectrum of genders disconnected from sex and is described as internally inconsistent.
Foreign NGOs and IOs	Promoting gender ideology; funding any foreign NGO or IO that conducts such activities.	N/A	N/A	

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<b>DEI Policy</b>				
U.S. NGOs	Engaging in unlawful DEI-related discrimination.	Promoting discriminatory equity ideology or engaging in unlawful DEI-related discrimination.	May promote discriminatory equity ideology so long as no USG funding is used.	<p>“Discriminatory equity ideology” aligns with the March 18, 2025 Presidential memorandum, “Removing Discrimination and Discriminatory Equity Ideology from the Foreign Service.”<sup>1</sup></p>
Foreign NGOs and IOs	Promoting discriminatory equity ideology, engaging in unlawful DEI-related discrimination, or funding any foreign NGO or IO that conducts such activities.	N/A	N/A	<p>“Unlawful DEI-related discrimination” applies U.S. federal anti-discrimination law to conduct outside the United States, with specified religious carve-outs.</p>

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/DCPD-202500375/pdf/DCPD-202500375.pdf>.