



**VISA WAIVER PROGRAM TRAVELERS ARE REMINDED TO COMPLETE
ONLINE ESTA APPLICATION**

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (“USCBP”) reminds travelers from Visa Waiver Program (“VWP”) countries who plan to travel to the U.S. for temporary business or pleasure, that on March 21, 2010, they will not be allowed to board a U.S.-bound airplane or cruise ship without an approved Electronic System for Travel Authorization (“ESTA”). ESTA is a fully automated, electronic system for screening passengers before they travel to the U.S. under the VWP. ESTA applications may be submitted online at any time prior to travel, and once approved, the travel authorization is valid for multiple entries and generally will be valid for up to 2 years or until the VWP traveler’s passport expires, whichever is earlier. In the coming months, ESTA is expected to completely replace the written I-94W form, which is generally completed en-route to the U.S.

Please click on the following links for more information on ESTA:

[ESTA Information on USCBP Website](#)

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