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**Improvements to the Visa Application System: Serving the S&T Community, Promoting The American Economy and Keeping Us Safe**

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The speaker will address policy changes and improvements in visa processing that help scientists and students to visit and study in the United States. The speaker will also discuss challenges involved with balancing the needs of U.S. science with national security interests.