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This memorandum revises the Open Authorization - Traveler or Arranger Signed but Unapproved section of Financial Management Memorandum (FMM) 2018-011 by replacing the first bulleted paragraph.

The first bulleted paragraph now reads:

Open Authorization - Traveler or Arranger Signed but Unapproved

Travel without an approved authorization is allowed only for emergency response travel. However, an authorization for emergency response travel should be approved as soon as possible to ensure risks are avoided. Bureaus should monitor travel without approved authorizations and implement controls to mitigate the risk of unauthorized travel. Bureaus may designate an official outside the traveler's supervisory chain, as necessary, to review and approve travel authorizations created but unapproved, after travel was completed.

If you have questions on the changes to the travel policy guidance, please contact your Bureau travel policy lead, or Robert Smith, at email Robert_Smith@ios.doi.gov, or by phone at (202) 208-5684.

Amends FMM 2018-011