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Subject: Re: Update on Current Regional Developments and Spring Travel to Doha

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Students,

I am writing to share an important update regarding the *Alternative Spring Break* trip to Doha.

After careful consideration and in close consultation with the University's Leadership, ISOS and our colleagues at GU-Q, the University has decided to postpone the program to a later date (anticipated for late May or early June). This decision is primarily tied to the current geopolitical climate and concerns about potential regional airspace disruptions that could affect reliable travel and timely return to campus. As noted in the original application materials, May/June dates were identified as a potential alternative should circumstances require a shift.

To be clear, this decision is not based on safety concerns in or around Doha. Rather, our main responsibility is to ensure that you can travel smoothly and return in time to complete the spring semester without academic disruption.

We know how much time and enthusiasm many of you invested in preparing for this experience. We genuinely share in your disappointment. At the same time, we remain deeply committed to making this opportunity happen. We will work closely with our colleagues at GU-Q to reschedule the program and recreate a meaningful and engaging experience.

We will share additional details as soon as new dates and next steps are confirmed. In the meantime, please feel free to reach out with any questions.

Thank you for your flexibility and understanding.

All the best,

Chirin



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