## 16. APPLICATION FOR LIFTING A TRAVEL BAN

A citizen of a foreign country, who has a travel ban to Türkiye may be eligible to apply for that travel ban to be lifted in case of an immediate travel need.

## **Application Method:**

- 1. Assemble the required documents listed below.
- 2. Start an online application on www.visa.gov.tr and upload the documents when prompted.
- 3. Print out the application form. (Requirement #2)
- 4. After submitting the application successfully, schedule an appointment for the interview.

Applicants are required to bring hard copies of the documents on the day of the interview as well.

## **Required documents:**

- 1. National passport or official travel document
  - a) With an expiration date at least 60 days beyond the last day of your intended stay.
  - b) With a blank page to affix the visa.
- 2. The application form
- 3. One recent passport photo size (2" x 2")
- 4. Original and the copy of your green card or your valid US visa. (For NON-US applicants only)
  - If you do not hold either a green card or a valid US visa, you must bring documentation of your residence in the US.
  - B1/B2 visa holders can only apply at their country of residence.
- 5. Proof of travel health/accident insurance, valid through duration of stay, including:
  - minimum coverage of 30,000 Euros or equivalent USD (\$32,000)
  - transfer of the patient to nearest healthcare facility or residency address after discharge and transfer of body in case of death
- 6. Non-refundable visa fee: Visa fee can only be paid in cash. The fee will be determined after you complete your in-person application.
- 7. Hotel and flight reservations (These reservations do not need to be purchased yet)
  - A notarized invitation letter is required if you are going to be hosted.
- 8. Most recent bank account statement.
- 9. A petition written and signed by the applicant, stating the reason of overstay/ban along with the purpose of the intended trip

## **Important notes:**

- In individual cases, you may be required to provide additional documents.
- Please do not finalize your travel arrangements until you are notified about the outcome of your visa application.
- It is strongly advised for applicants to apply at least one month prior to their intended trip since processing the application may take up to 4 weeks.
- Turkish Consulate in Boston cannot expedite a visa application.