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Fox News working on a story about the Del Rio investigation and asked if we had an update. Barring objections, I will let them know we have no update at this time and provide the cleared lines on background:

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Thanks Eduardo, this is greatly appreciated!

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**New England Journal: Misusing Public Health as a Pretext to End Asylum — Title 42 ( Anne G. Beckett, M.D., M.P.H., Loune Viaud, B.A., Michele Heisler, M.D., M.P.A., and Joia Mukherjee, M.D., M.P.H.)**

In March 2020, the Trump administration directed the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to issue an order overriding national and international legal protections for asylum seekers at the U.S. border. Using the Covid-19 pandemic as pretext, the order suspended the right of these migrants to have their claims heard and singled them out for immediate expulsion. The CDC order drew on a previously obscure public health law (Title 42, U.S. Code Section 265), enacted in 1944, which states that if “by reason of the existence of any communicable disease in a foreign country there is serious danger of the introduction of such disease into the United States ... the [government] shall have the power to prohibit, in whole or in part, the introduction of persons and property from such countries.” At a time when rates of Covid-19 were far higher in the United States than in any other country in the Americas, and when travelers such as students and truck drivers were allowed to enter the country without being tested for SARS-CoV-2, the administration and the CDC asserted that allowing asylum seekers in might increase Covid’s spread.

There was — and remains — no public health evidence that singling out asylum seekers or other migrants for exclusion is effective in stemming the spread of Covid-19. Moreover, by summarily expelling asylum seekers, Title 42 violates national non-refoulement obligations (responsibilities not to send migrants back to unsafe places) grounded in two international treaties to which the United States is a party: the Convention against Torture and the 1951 Refugee Convention. It further violates U.S. laws that give migrants the right to seek asylum on arrival in the United States.

Since the Title 42 order went into effect, more than 1.6 million people entering the country from Mexico or Canada have been summarily expelled without the opportunity to seek asylum.<sup>1</sup> The negative consequences of Title 42 for migrant health are myriad and underreported. The policy encourages migrants to make repeated perilous journeys through the desert and attempt to enter the United States at locations that are not ports of entry, where they have no access to health screenings or medical care. During the expulsion process, migrants have been physically and verbally abused by government border officials, detained in inhumane conditions, and separated from their families.<sup>2</sup> Asylum seekers continue to be forcibly returned to the dangerous conditions they fled, though at least 8705 kidnappings, rapes, and other violent attacks on people expelled under Title 42 were documented by human rights groups in 2021.<sup>3</sup> As a result of Title 42, individuals and families who already had experienced much trauma from

persecution in their home countries have been even further traumatized, with profound mental and physical health consequences.<sup>2</sup>

When the Trump administration introduced the Title 42 order, the justification for using public health law to override lifesaving humanitarian laws was rejected by epidemiologists and public health experts, including senior CDC officials. During Joe Biden's presidential campaign, as stated on his campaign website, he committed to reviewing the policy, promising to "reclaim American values" in the immigration process and "reassert America's commitment to asylum seekers and refugees." Yet more than a year into his presidency, except for formally exempting unaccompanied children from expulsion, his administration has yet to repeal the Title 42 order. In fact, in August 2021, the CDC extended the order, citing as reasons the emergence of the delta variant, the risk of Covid transmission in congregate settings, and low vaccination rates among migrants.<sup>4</sup> In February 2022, citing concerns over the omicron variant, the CDC further extended the order. A few weeks after the February extension, as Covid cases continued to decline, the CDC relaxed national mask guidelines but made no changes to its Title 42 justification.

The cruelty of the Biden administration's use of Title 42 and its racist implementation were highlighted in September 2021 when Haitian asylum seekers congregated at the border in Del Rio, Texas. Biden decried the whipping of migrants by horse-mounted U.S. border patrol agents, as seen in news photos, as "beyond an embarrassment." Yet his administration immediately returned more than 7000 of these migrants to Haiti, despite the Department of Homeland Security's assertion that Haiti faces extraordinary levels of political and economic instability and human rights abuses that prevent nationals from returning safely. Many Haitian migrants expelled under Title 42 had not lived in Haiti in more than a decade, having immigrated to South or Central America after the country's catastrophic 2010 earthquake and amid mounting safety concerns under subsequent U.S.-backed administrations.

The rationale behind the Title 42 order not only is unsupported by evidence but also, in some respects, is blatantly false. There is no evidence that noncitizens who lack documentation are more likely to transmit Covid than are residents, citizens, or tourists entering the country. Asylum seekers represent a small fraction of the travelers who cross the border; in the same period in which 1 million asylum seekers were expelled, nearly 100 million other travelers were admitted at U.S. land borders.

In addition, justification for the ongoing use of Title 42 rests on the assumption that migrants must be held in congregate settings. But they need not be. Programs that allow migrants to shelter, under parole arrangements, within the community have been demonstrated to be effective alternatives to facility-based detention. Community-based programs such as the Family Case Management program are associated with improved health outcomes and excellent compliance with immigration court requirements, at a fraction of the cost of detention.<sup>5</sup>

Another justification for the Title 42 order is the claim that resources are insufficient to ensure implementation of Covid-19 containment measures among asylum seekers. When the CDC extended the order last August, it acknowledged that masking, social distancing, ventilation, routine testing, quarantine, and isolation can prevent the spread of Covid. During the early months of the pandemic, there were shortages of personal protective equipment and a lack of accurate testing, but the decision more than 2 years into the pandemic not to provide adequate resources for these measures for migrants reflects a political calculation rather than an immutable reality. And Title 42 expulsions themselves, which necessitate holding groups of detainees together and transporting them across borders, create high-risk conditions for Covid transmission.

Finally, as the August 2021 extension notes, “Countries of origin for the majority of incoming covered noncitizens have markedly lower vaccination rates” than the United States.<sup>4</sup> Citing global vaccine inequity as a justification for denying the right to seek asylum compounds the United States’ culpability by ignoring our role in hoarding vaccines and neglecting the urgent public health need to vaccinate the world’s most vulnerable people, including those fleeing persecution.

The Biden administration’s ongoing use of Title 42 to expel asylum seekers violates the nation’s moral and legal obligation to people seeking asylum and perpetuates the xenophobic and racist impulses displayed by the Trump administration. The deployment of unfounded public health arguments for political ends tarnishes the CDC’s reputation, at a time when public trust in science and medical evidence is already undermined by rampant misinformation and disinformation. Most critically, the expulsions exact an unthinkable toll on people who are denied their right to seek asylum.

Two recent court decisions have called into question the future implementation of Title 42 and underscore the urgent need for CDC leadership to rescind the order. In March, a federal appeals court in Washington, DC, ruled that the United States can no longer use Title 42 to expel families to countries where they may face persecution or torture, specifically noting that it was unclear that the order serves any public health purpose. The court’s decision does not apply to single adults, who make up the majority of those expelled under Title 42. On the same day as the DC ruling, a federal district court in Texas decided that the Biden administration’s decision to exempt unaccompanied children from Title 42 was unlawful. In response, the CDC terminated Title 42 as it applies to unaccompanied minors, stating that given the availability of Covid tests, increasing vaccination rates, and robust mitigation measures, the expulsion of unaccompanied children is not warranted to protect public health. Yet, the CDC has continued the order as it applies to adults and families.

Medical professionals and public health experts have a professional duty to protect the health of individuals and communities, and we believe they have a particular duty to act when public health policy is misused to harm rather than protect certain groups. Medical and public health practitioners are well qualified to clarify the ways in which Title 42 endangers people’s health and are powerfully positioned to advocate for use of evidence-based Covid-mitigation measures at the border, including avoidance of inhumane and unnecessary immigration detention, rapid expansion of vaccine access, and implementation of data systems with public reporting to ensure the protection of the health and rights of asylum seekers. As the CDC considers extending the order yet again, health professionals should join in calls to the agency and to Biden to end the misuse of Title 42.

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## Senate Judiciary Committee Member Questions

### Durbin:

- He focused his questions on the results of Trump's Zero Tolerance Policy and the state of the children who were separated from their families. He asked:
  - What is the current status of these children?" referring to the remaining 1,800 children who have not been reunited with their families.
  - Are you in fact forcibly separating children from their families without good cause?
- He then asked about the state of DACA backlog
  - What efforts are DHS making to reduce the backlog of DACA renewal applications? At the end of June, I understand 84,000 requests were pending, including 13,000 renewals for more than 120 days. What are you doing about it?
  - What's the backlog now? Becau
- He questioned whether migrants show up to their hearings after they are "released" into the country
  - Are they worse now than it was under the Trump administration. Is that true? - referring to "catch and release"
  - Do they show up at their hearings?
  - And are there conditions that you can suggest would make it more likely that they show up at their hearings?
- He asked if they were testing migrants for COVID-19
  - Is it true that you're turning these migrants loose at our border without a test and they are spreading COVID-19 across our country
- He asked about trafficking organizations who exploit desperate migrants
  - How did they happen to all come together during that period? - referring to the many Haitian migrants in Del Rio, Texas
- He asked about the backlog in immigration courts
  - What is the backlog in our immigration courts?
  - I understand it was 1.4 million cases at the beginning of the Biden administration. Has there been any progress made?

### Grassley:

- He asked about the Zero Tolerance Enforcement Policy and his questions focused on DHS's involvement in an article the Wall Street journal reported on federal agencies being involved in talks to offer massive financial payments to illegal immigrants.
  - "Were you aware of the payments amounts under consideration?"
  - "We expect you to answer questions about DHS's involvement in the case. So, you're saying that there's no involvement?"- asking about DHS's involvement in the Federal Tort Claims Act
  - Under what circumstances if any, do you think it's appropriate for an illegal immigrant who broke our laws to receive more money from the government than any one family than the 9/11 victims?
- He asks opinion about the Department of the Defense's Death Gratuity Program
  - "Under what circumstances if any, do you think it's appropriate for an illegal immigrant who broke our laws to receive more money from the government than the family of a fallen service member receives under that program?"
- He asks about his opinion on immigrant removal and weather S1's September 30's memo refers to all immigrants
  - "Does that reasoning apply to the one in two tenths million illegal immigrants who have received due process and been given a final order of removal by an immigration judge?"

- “Do you agree that all these individuals should be removed from the United States?”
- “Have any migrant families at all been separated during the Biden administration or any migrant families separated during the Obama administration? During when you served a multiple senior positions at DHS, including Deputy Secretary.”

**Feinstein:**

- She asked about TSA’s increase in firearm seizure, what is contributing to the increase and how TSA is combating the issue
- She asked how DHS can help control the increase in wildfires in his state of California, how are they going to help as climate change increases. Also asks how DHS is going to help since most of the forest land is federal land. Does S1 support the increase in the salary of wildland firefighters.

**Graham:**

- He questioned S1 on how he believes he is leading DHS and securing the border in comparison to Trump
  - Do you believe the Biden immigration policies are successful?
  - So, you think we're on the right track as a nation?
  - How would you grade yourself?
  - Do you think you're doing a better job than the Trump administration?
  - You think we have more control over the border now than we did under Trump?
- He asked about S1’s opinion of the withdrawal from Afghanistan
  - Was Afghanistan a successful withdrawal?
  - Of those that were evacuated, how many of them were vetted before they got on the plane? **(Really nailed him on this for not being confident that 100% were vetted before boarding plane)**
- He questioned S1 on the undocumented immigrants who have crossed the border
  - Of the 1.7 million people who've come here illegally, how many of them have been released into the country?
  - How many people are still here, of the 1.7 million? How many people are still here?
  - Do you believe that if you have an immigration hearing, and there's a final order of deportation, that person should be removed?
  - OK. Why is 1 million people still here after they get a final order of deportation?
  - Do you believe that the Remain in Mexico Policy instituted by the Trump administration is cruel?
  - Do you support permanently doing away with the Remain in Mexico Policy?
  - Do you think that will increase illegal immigration if we do?

**Whitehouse:**

- His questions are about Cybersecurity, and how the 57 inspector generals meet the cybersecurity experience needed.
  - “What is the department specifically the Cyber Security and Infrastructure Security Agency CISA is doing to coordinate with those inspectors general? And make sure that they are operating at the kind of levels of expertise that we need to defend their agencies against cyber-attacks”
  - Asks S1 to follow up on plans to bring the 57 inspector generals up to speed on cybersecurity, and what mechanisms are required to do that.

- He asks S1 to review the National Defense Bill, particularly the added offense to attack America's critical infrastructure with cyber-attacks, and get back to him about what S1 thinks about it.

**Cornyn:**

- Asked about unaccompanied children
  - Are you aware that once these children are placed with sponsors in the United States, there's a requirement that there be a 30 day follow up telephone call to determine their status?
  - You don't know what happens to the children once they're placed with a sponsor?
  - Would it surprise you to know that just this last fiscal year, in the 30 day follow up calls to sponsors of unaccompanied children, 18 percent of them did not answer the telephone? And there's been no subsequent follow up on these children placed for sponsors, many of whom are not even related to these children.
  - Would that shock you to learn that it's as many as 18 percent of those children the federal government has simply lost?
  - How would you characterize the complete neglect of the welfare of that child?
- His questions were directed on push and pull factors that cause immigration. He mentioned violence, poverty, desire for a better life, etc...
  - Do you agree? Maybe not entirely with my characterization, but that's -- those are pull factors.
  - Do you agree with Police Chief Magnus, who is the Biden administration's nominee for Customs and Border Protection, that a non-enforcement policy by the Department of Homeland Security when it comes to illegal immigration is a pull factor?
  - You said the fact that an individual is a removable non-citizen is not alone, to be a basis for an enforcement action against them. Is that what you said?
  - If you don't commit any other crimes other than illegally entering the United States, you are basically going to successfully navigate our immigration system? And end up being able to stay permanently in the United States?

**Klobuchar:**

- She asks questions about opening up the Canadian border, specifically what kind of implementation challenges the department had since opening the border.
- She asks S1 to look into the vaccination requirement issue for Canadians to cross the border because it affecting cross border traffic that her state relies on.
- She also asks about Afghan refugees and immigrants.
  - "Do you agree that African refugees who are here on humanitarian status should be able to apply for permanent legal status"
  - "How can Congress continue to support the department's efforts to make sure that America can benefit from the talents and expertise of immigrants?"
  - "Will you work with me to identify barriers and find ways to ease the citizenship process for foreign-born adoptees and also in general where we were welcoming adopted kids into our country?"

**Lee:**



- Questions directed on Border Patrol agents' actions and their vaccination status
  - Now you've got about 17,000 Border Patrol agents, is that right?
  - But what happens when you've got potentially thousands of those pretty large percentage, who might soon become ineligible to work based on their vaccination status? Does that hurt or help our operational control of the border?
  - What about the issue with your border patrol agents recently being accused by some folks in the media of whipping illegal immigrants, when in fact, they were not?
  - Why on earth did you not defend them?
- He questioned S1 on how DHS is doing to maintain its missions
  - How is the department doing in that mission to maintain that operational control of the border?
  - By the way, how many known got-aways have crossed our southern border in 2021?
  - Does America have the capacity to help make sure that we take in every person, ill-intentioned or not, who wants to come to America?
- Questioned S1 on the case of Yery Medina Ulloa, who's a 24-year-old Honduran man who was recently apprehended crossing the U.S.-Mexico border, where he fraudulently claimed to be a 17-year-old.
  - Did your department, or did it not allow him in?

**Coons:**

- His questions are related to immigration and asks why prosecutorial discretion is needed to strike priorities. He also asks S1 to explain why an approach of having priorities is more humane and effective.
- He asks how Congress can support S1/DHS's efforts through legislation to build a safe, fair, and humane immigration system.
- He also asked how Congress through legislation can bolster S1's efforts to support Afghans.

**Cruz:**

- He asks true false statements about immigration and about immigration statistics.
  - If under Trump's presidency the rate of illegal immigrants was the lowest and under Biden it's been the highest? How many immigrants have crossed illegally into the US in 2021 and how many are projected to still cross illegally? How many children have crossed illegally in 2021? How many have died crossing illegally into the us under the Biden Administration?
- He asks about the Donna facility.
  - How many children have been detained in the "Biden cages" in 2021? How many children have been in the Donna facility? Has the president been won to the Facility, has the vice president? How many Democratic members of this committee have been down to see it?
- He asks more specific questions about immigrants.
  - How many women have been sexually assaulted being trafficked into this country in 2021? How many children have been sexually assaulted by traffickers or other people when they were coming in illegally? How many illegal immigrants have you released into the United States who were COVID-positive? How many illegal aliens have you released who had criminal convictions? How many murders, rapists, child molesters have you released?
- He questions about the refusal to return to the Remain in Mexico Policy

- “What would you say to the judge if the judge was asking why you should not be held in contempt and incarcerated for defying a federal court order?”
- “Have you or anyone on your staff expressed to Mexico to resist going back to this agreement?”

**Hirono:**

- She questioned S1 on the vetting of the Afghan evacuees
  - Did these evacuees fly directly from Afghanistan to the U.S., and can you describe the screening these evacuees went through before they arrived in the U.S.?
- Her next questions were directed at unaccompanied children and their legal process
  - Can you tell us more about why legal representation of children in immigration proceedings is so essential?
- She questioned S1 on Title 42
  - Can you tell us how high this recidivism rate is at the border and how much of the increase in encounters is due to these repeated crossings?
  - So, my question was, do you have any kind of figures on what the percentage of recidivism is?
  - Is it relatively high so that the one-point-whatever figure is very inaccurate?

**Hawley:**

- He asks about the screening process for Afghan refugees. He asks if the rigorous process is just the standard refugee screening process and if in-person interviews being conducted like the standard procedure for all refugees?
  - What percentage do those, the special immigrant visa holders and American citizens, (who aren't getting interviewed) what percentage of the total tens of thousands did those constitute? Why aren't you conducting in-person interviews of the people brought to this country if they aren't already in our databases? What percentage of interviews are you conducting?

**Blumenthal:**

- Just to complete the response and to clarify, nobody becomes a permanent resident without that full interview; is that correct?
- Asked S1 about how Congress could aid in the resettlement efforts of the Afghan evacuees
  - What is your timeline?
  - And what do you need, in the way of support and resources to accomplish this feat, because there are resettlement agencies, IRIS and CIRI in Connecticut are two.

**Kennedy:**

- Referred to Biden's campaign policies regarding immigration.
  - Can we agree that that's an open border policy?
- Referred to the 1.7 million people who have come illegally
  - The President says that happens every single solitary year; is he wrong on that or right on that?
  - Like the highest in 60 years, right?

- Well, your administration has released thousands of people into our country who are COVID-positive; have you not?
- Your department has released thousands of people into this country illegally who are drug dealers, haven't you?
- Your department has released thousands of people into this country illegally who have criminal records, haven't you?
- Your department has released into our country thousands of people who have promptly gone on welfare, isn't that the case?
- Questioned S1 regarding VP Harris
  - Our Vice President Harris, our border czar, what kind of grade would you give her?
  - When's the last time you talked to her about securing the border?

**Booker:**

- He focused on immigrants
  - "What, if anything, can the DHS do to incentivize and encourage immigrant workers to report abuses in order to protect their rights and defend the labor standards of everyone?"
  - He asks about the situation at the southern border, wants S1 to confirm that the increase in monthly encounters started under the Trump Administration and that the increase was due in part to economic conditions because of the pandemic. He also asked questions related to covid at the border. He asked if S1 is making decisions based on CDC guidelines and if it was true that the plan to provide COVID-19 vaccines to detained migrants was overruled by the White House with a specific intent to deter immigration and asylum seeking.

**Blackburn:**

- Focused questions regarding the border wall and the hiring of additional personnel
  - How many miles of border wall could you build with a billion dollars?
  - How many border patrol agents could you hire with a billion dollars?
  - How many immigration judges?
- Focused question on family separation at the border
  - Can you sit here today and tell this committee that there hasn't been a single family separated, since your administration?
  - So, all these families that have been separated under the Biden administration, are you going to make a payment to them? Are they eligible?
  - Are you compensating people for both short- and long-term separations, days or weeks? Are you making any difference in that or is it just a blanket payment?
  - Under what legal authority do you all have to make these payments?
- Questioned S1 on specific immigrants that were charged with a conviction since Biden took office
  - Are you familiar with a name Robin (Putera)?
  - OK, (Pascal Gaspar Andres).
  - Does the Biden administration have any plans to issue million-dollar payments to the families of those who were killed or assaulted by illegal aliens?
- In regard to the Build Back Better bill,
  - Do you support giving green cards to illegal immigrants that have entered this country?
  - So you would support illegal immigrants having a path to citizenship and getting a green card when we have Americans that are out of work. Let me ask you this. Yes or No. Have you ever visited the White House?
  - Have I visited the White House?

- So you're aware there is a fence around the entire perimeter of the White House to prevent unauthorized individuals from entering the White House, correct?

**Padilla:**

- Focused on MPP, imploring for S1 to rescind MPP and on the department waving filing fees and streamlining application processes for Afghan evacuees. She urged S1 to waive the fees for those Afghans who are applying for humanitarian parole from outside the U.S.
  - This is the third consecutive month of border encounters actually decreasing. So, would you like to comment on this or shed some light or clarity on the more recent statistics and trends?
- Regarding abuse of powers of border patrol agents with Haitian migrants and in the case of Anastacio Hernandez Rojas
  - What measures has the Department of Homeland Security taken towards addressing serious abuses of power surrounding these critical incident teams?

**Tillis:**

- How many border patrol agent positions are open right now?
- Question based on letter sent to S1 back in June.
  - Is the blueprint finalized and to what extent is it affecting your operation?
  - Why should we mandate that somebody who comes across the border illegally, shouldn't be vaccinated, or that's a reason for expulsion, under Title 42, or any other law?
  - Can we remove them if they refuse to take a vaccine?

**Ossoff:**

- Focused questions on supply chain bottlenecks
  - What steps the Department's taking as part of a broader federal response to ease these bottlenecks at shipping ports?
- Focused question on the need for addition CBP and TSA workers in airports, specifically at Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport
  - Will you please designate someone in the department who can speak with major stakeholders, like Delta Airlines, like the airport leadership, the city of Atlanta?
- Focused question on affordable housing and the Coast Guard
  - Can someone from your team will work with mine, to map out whether there are some solutions that we can find working together to ensure that Coast Guard personnel and especially those younger, junior enlisted personnel, have access to affordable housing, and childcare services.

**Cotton:**

- Referred to the incident on September 29th, where the National School Board Association wrote to the White House calling parents domestic terrorists
  - The association has been actively engaged with the Department of Homeland Security. Has anyone from the Department of Homeland Security met with anyone from the National School Board Association?
  - Did you see a copy of the Attorney General's memorandum before it was released?

- Referred to the reports that the Department of Justice was in talks to give payments of up to \$450,000 per person to illegal immigrants who were subject to enforcement of the zero-tolerance policy during the last administration.
  - Have you or anyone at the Department of Homeland Security been involved in those talks?
  - Who do you think is more deserving of cash payments from the United States Government? Illegal migrants who cross our borders, or the family of U.S. soldiers who are killed in action?
  - Do you think it's shocking that illegal migrants could get up to 4 and a half times what the family of a service member killed in action?
- Referred to the Zero tolerance policy of the prior administration
  - During the Biden administration, has the Department of Homeland Security ever separated a single illegal alien from someone they claim as their child?
  - Did the Department of Homeland Security ever separate a single illegal alien from someone they claim that was their child in the Obama administration?
  - How many illegal aliens have crossed into the United States in 2021, which I would note still has six weeks to go?
  - Are you satisfied that 2 and a half times as many illegal migrants have crossed in this country this year as compared to last year?
  - Let me conclude with this what should be a higher priority of the United States Government, securing our border, or giving amnesty to illegal aliens who are already here?
  - So you refuse to prioritize whether we should try to protect our border from people crossing it who have zero right to be here, or giving amnesty to the millions of people that are in this country illegally.

**Lee:**

- Didn't ask any questions, but did say if there was more time allowed he would ask what DHS is doing to apprehend the people who came here lawfully and fell out of their lawful status, and those who have overstayed their visas and what additional resources would be needed.

**Graham:**

- Questioned S1 on the specific numbers of those 1.7 million who entered and how they were processed
  - Of the 1.7 million that came across illegally that we've apprehended, what happened to them?
  - How many were expelled?
  - You said that 40,000 were removed under Title 8. Is that correct?
  - 125,000 were sent over to HHS. How many of them left the country?
  - You said previously 375,000 of the 1.7 were released in the United States. Is that still accurate?
  - But the point is of the 1.7 million that came here, half a million are still here, and there's a 230,000 gap. What happened to the 230,000?

**Blumenthal:**

- He asks S1 to explain the harm it causes families to be separated at the border. He also asks S1 if he agrees that "governments are sued state and federal governments and settlements are in

the best interest of those governments. Because a trial could result in even greater liability than a settlement.”

**Cruz:**

- Referred to the specific case of Axios on July 27, 2021 where 13% of migrants showed up to court
  - Do you stand by your testimony to this committee, that the great majority of illegal aliens released under catch and release show up voluntarily at court proceedings?
  - You're claiming 13 percent is the great majority?
- Referred to the reports that the Department of Justice was in talks to give payments of up to \$450,000 per person to illegal immigrants who were subject to enforcement of the zero-tolerance policy during the last administration.
  - It's been reported the Biden administration is considering paying illegal immigrants whose families were separated \$450,000 apiece. That would mean for a family of four, they would get \$1.8 million.
  - Do you think it is a good idea to pay illegal immigrants four and a half times what we pay the family of a service member who's killed in combat?
  - And if we pay millions of dollars to illegal immigrants, in your professional judgment, will we get more illegal immigration or less illegal immigration?
  - And would you get more illegal immigration or less illegal immigration? If you give millions of dollars to illegal immigrants?

**Padilla:**

- Focused questions on undocumented veterans who missed the opportunity to become a citizen. Spoke about the Veterans Deportation Prevention and Reform Act, place to reduce the removal of veterans who bravely fought for our country, and yet missed the opportunity to become United States citizens while serving in the military.
  - Can you share any updates on the work of the initiative? And what progress has been made to bring our deported veterans' home?
  - Are there any specific plans that the department has to improve the naturalization rates of non-citizen military service members while they are serving?

**Hawley:**

- He asks S1 to confirm that paying illegal immigrants \$450,000, or more million more per family million ai is not a pull factor and would not encourage more illegal immigration.
- He focuses questions about how closely S1 works with the Vice President.
  - He asks if S1 reports to VP, and if he is working closely with her on addressing the root causes of irregular immigration and how often S1 meets with her.
  - Do S1 and VP travel to the border together? Are they devising policies together? Has VP been part of S1's decisions to end the Remain in Mexico Policy, end the Public Charge rule, and to change the ICE guidance. Do you think these policies are working?

**Grassley:**

- He asks about Afghan refugees and their status, specifically about 3 cases.
  - “What specific criminal conduct would cause an Afghan evacuee parole to be terminated?”

- “What’s the status of an Afghan national housed at Fort Bliss, who were involved in an alleged attack on a female service member on September the 19th? Has that parole been terminated?”
- “What’s the current status of an Afghan national housed at Fort McCoy, who was recently indicted for assaulting his wife? Has his parole been terminated? And if so, when would they be removed?”
- “What is the current status of an Afghan national flown out of Kabul and transferred to the United States on August 26, who was convicted of felony rape in Idaho in 2010. So that’s already convicted. When will that person be removed and to what country will they be removed?”

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MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO (b)(6)  
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**To:** PECK, SARAH (b)(6)  
(b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: CBP Probe into Del Rio Agents  
**Date:** 2022/03/31 17:40:00  
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**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6) PECK, SARAH (b)(6)  
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Just us. Sorry, just now catching up to this. Happy to move this updated statement from them through clearance, but I think we can just provide our cleared background and I can get on the phone with the reporter and off the record tell them the investigation is still ongoing?

**On background:**

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With Dan's edit:

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Hi Everyone,

I think the statement below is fine. I would swap the word recommendations to referrals meaning that we refer the matter to the disciplinary process recommend any specific outcome.

Thanks,  
Dan

**Daniel P. Altman**  
**Executive Director for Investigative Operations**  
**Office of Professional Responsibility**  
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Adding others at DHS and including Dan Altman. This is wrong because the investigation and disciplinary action on the administrative front are separate processes. So I believe it's right to say the investigation is ongoing, though only on Background but need OPR and DHS to look at this.

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Defer to the AC but if we have not released the report then I suggest we go with:

“The conduct of Border Patrol agents performing horse patrol duties in Del Rio remains under investigation and for that reason we cannot discuss the specifics. CBP remains committed to the impartial investigation of the actions of our employees, making recommendations for discipline if warranted and appropriately balancing the privacy and due process rights of the agents involved. The investigation results will be released once the review has been concluded.”

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Anna – See below on background:

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Jennie – See below on background:

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Thanks,  
Eduardo

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**From:** Jennie Taer (b)(6)  
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To Whom it May Concern,

It's Jennie Taer with the Daily Caller News Foundation. I'm reaching out because National Border Patrol Council President Brandon Judd informed me that the border patrol agents under investigation for allegedly whipping migrants in Del Rio, TX in September have been cleared of criminal misconduct.

He said this is the case because the agents were compelled to give a statement to CBP's OPR.

Please respond to this with a statement by Friday at 10am ET, thank you.

Best,  
Jennie

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Jennie Taer  
Investigative Reporter  
Daily Caller News Foundation

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Congress of the United States  
Washington, DC 20515

January 31, 2022

The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
Washington, D.C. 20528

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**By ESEC at 9:13 am, Feb 02, 2022**

Dear Secretary Mayorkas,

It has been more than four months since senior members of the Biden Administration, including President Biden and Press Secretary, Jen Psaki participated in a widely spread falsehood and accused United States Border Patrol agents of “whipping” Haitian migrants attempting to illegally cross into the United States near Del Rio, Texas on September 19, 2021.<sup>1</sup>

As has been well documented, the “whipping” narrative was based on a photograph that first went viral on social media.<sup>2</sup> While this narrative was later debunked by the photographer of the photo himself<sup>3</sup>, the widespread narrative of whipping based on a demonstratable lie — especially by members of this administration — demands that the public record be finalized by publicly disclosing the “investigative work” conducted by Custom and Border Protections’ (CBP) Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR).<sup>4</sup>

For four months, the Biden Administration and your Department have gone without even apologizing to the agents that were smeared. To make matters worse, reports now indicate that the investigational report DHS was conducting on the incident will likely never appear. According to reports, one DHS official speaking under the condition of anonymity, said they “doubt the current administration will release this report on the horse patrol incident because it makes the administration look terrible.”<sup>5</sup> The same official went on to add that “they essentially convicted the mounted agents based upon a lie, which the investigation after 120 days would surely have revealed,” and, noting that no agent has been disciplined thus far, “My experience would be that this would have been done within a period of weeks.”

Therefore, we ask that your Department immediately publicly disclose the findings of the “investigative work” done by CBP’s OPR on the September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021, incident in Del Rio, Texas. The American people deserve transparency from their government, and the United States Border Patrol deserves defense from their Department’s Secretary against unfounded accusations.

Sincerely,



Chip Roy  
Member of Congress



Brian Babin, D.D.S  
Member of Congress

<sup>1</sup> <https://nypost.com/2021/09/24/biden-says-border-agents-on-horses-will-pay-for-treatment-of-haitians/>

<https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/white-house/white-house-says-images-border-patrol-whip-obviously-horrific-n1279663>

<https://www.axios.com/del-rio-haitian-migrants-border-patrol-harris-mayorkas-20c67b97-4650-4ffe-96a0-8ac3c19f03d4.html>

<sup>2</sup> <https://thefederalist.com/2021/09/21/democrats-spread-border-patrol-whip-lie-while-failing-to-address-growing-border-crisis/>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.newsweek.com/photographer-who-captured-migrant-photos-says-agents-didnt-use-whips-anyone-1632590>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.dhs.gov/news/2021/11/16/dhs-update-regarding-investigation-horse-patrol-activity-del-rio-texas-september-19>

<sup>5</sup> <https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/policy/report-on-texas-horse-patrol-incident-may-never-materialize>



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Please find attached a letter to Secretary Mayorkas from Senators Hagerty, Cornyn, Cruz, Cramer, Hawley, Tuberville, and Lee. Thank you.

Best,

Clark

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**Subject:** SIGNIFICANT CORRESPONDENCE REPORT: 4.6.22

Attached for your review is today's significant correspondence report. Based on our review and standard business practices, ESEC recommends tasking these letters to the below Components, with recommended signature level and priority. We ask that counselors provide any substantive guidance on letter assignment (in bullet format), response messaging, and letter priority. OLA and OPE should provide input on priority and signature levels if incorrect. We are asking for this input by **10 am tomorrow morning. If no response the letter will be tasked as reflected here.**

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1230425 22-1728	4.6.22	S1	Ranking Member Turner (OH)  +9	Writes regarding DHS's report to Congress on the use and legal authority of any domestic intelligence activities.	<b>(b) (6)</b>
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1230482 22-2055	4.6.22	S1, POTUS, VPOTUS, Sec. Blinken. Amb. Rice, Dir. Walensky, Mr. Jake Sullivan	Voice For Refuge Action Fund  + many organizations	Write regarding the need for the U.S. to welcome all refugees without discrimination.	
1230469 22-1767	4.6.22	S1	Rep. Lofgren (CA)  +8	Writes regarding the impact of the Proclamation on Advancing the Safe Resumption of Global Travel During the COVID-19 Pandemic on the food-supply chain.	

Please submit any guidance to ESEC-External, **(b) (6)** all are copied on this e-mail.

**Definitions of Priority:**

Urgent/High: 14 Business Days to Final  
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Is Interim Necessary (YES/NO)? 1 Business Day.

Best,

**Annika Van Galder**

Office of the Executive Secretary  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

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April 5, 2022

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**By ESEC at 8:18 am, Apr 06, 2022**

The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas  
Secretary  
Department of Homeland Security  
64 New York Ave. NE  
Washington, DC 20002

Dear Secretary Mayorkas:

As you know, in recent years, Republican Members of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI) have grown increasingly concerned about the use of intelligence authorities, personnel, and capabilities for domestic activities unrelated to foreign intelligence. We believe any such activity could be in violation of Americans' constitutional rights and would also be clearly contrary to the Intelligence Community's foreign intelligence mission.

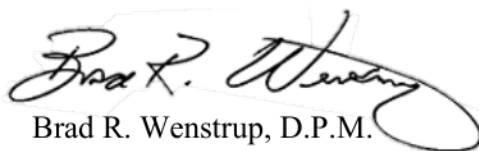
The recently-enacted Intelligence Authorization Act<sup>1</sup> contains a provision requiring you to report (1) all domestic activities undertaken during the prior fiscal year; and (2) for each activity identified, a statement of the legal authority authorizing such activity to be undertaken.<sup>2</sup> The first report is due within 90 days of enactment, June 13, 2022, and subsequent reports are required by January 31 of each year.

We appreciate your attention to this important matter and look forward to your first report in June.

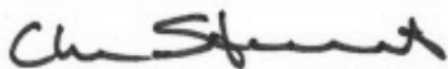
Sincerely,



Michael R. Turner  
Ranking Member



Brad R. Wenstrup, D.P.M.  
Member of Congress



Chris Stewart  
Member of Congress



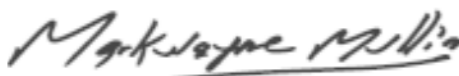
Eric A. "Rick" Crawford  
Member of Congress

<sup>1</sup> Division X of Pub. L. No. 117-103 (March 15, 2022)

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at § 505



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Member of Congress



Markwayne Mullin  
Member of Congress



Trent Kelly  
Member of Congress



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Member of Congress



Brian Fitzpatrick  
Member of Congress



Mike Gallagher  
Member of Congress

Cc: Commandant Karl Schultz, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security  
The Honorable John Cohen, Acting Undersecretary for Intelligence and Analysis,  
Department of Homeland Security  
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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-2509

April 6, 2022

The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas  
Secretary of Homeland Security  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
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**RECEIVED**  
**By ESEC at 11:18 am, Apr 06, 2022**

Secretary Mayorkas:

I write with concern at the coming surge of illegal immigration this spring. The Biden Administration has announced that it intends to rescind its Title 42 order, which will only exacerbate the crisis at the southern border. At the same time, new reports and leaked documents suggest that the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) plans to divert resources from our veterans so that it can provide free services to illegal immigrants. These reports demand answers.

We have a humanitarian crisis at our southern border. In 2021, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) reported over two million encounters with aliens illegally crossing the southern border—the highest number ever recorded.<sup>1</sup> One Arizona sector has experienced a 579% increase over the last fiscal year.<sup>2</sup> More than 62,000 illegal immigrants evaded Border Patrol agents in March.<sup>3</sup> What is more, some of the immigrants that CBP has caught have been identified as previously deported MS-13 gang members.<sup>4</sup>

Rather than enforce our immigration laws, the Biden Administration has repeatedly changed existing policy to encourage, facilitate, and obscure illegal immigration. President Biden halted construction of the border wall,<sup>5</sup> reinforced DACA,<sup>6</sup> and limited ICE enforcement actions.<sup>7</sup> He has also illegally reversed the Trump Administration's Remain in Mexico Policy—which is set to be argued before the Supreme Court later this month.<sup>8</sup>

Most recently, the Biden Administration announced its plan to rescind its Title 42 policy, prohibiting entry into the country of individuals carrying communicable diseases.<sup>9</sup> This

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/stats/southwest-land-border-encounters>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/arizona-border-sector-spike-migrant-encounters>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/62000-illegal-immigrants-border-patrol-agents-march>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/border-patrol-agents-criminals-gang-members-one-border-sector>

<sup>5</sup> <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/presidential-actions/2021/01/20/proclamation-termination-of-emergency-with-respect-to-southern-border-of-united-states-and-redirecting-of-funds-diverted-to-border-wall-construction/>

<sup>6</sup> [https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/presidential-actions/2021/01/20/preserving-and-fortifying-deferred-action-for-childhood-arrivals-daca/?ct=t\(AgencyUpdate\\_012120\)](https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/presidential-actions/2021/01/20/preserving-and-fortifying-deferred-action-for-childhood-arrivals-daca/?ct=t(AgencyUpdate_012120))

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/presidential-actions/2021/01/20/executive-order-the-revision-of-civil-immigration-enforcement-policies-and-priorities/>

<sup>8</sup> *Biden v. Texas*, No. 21-954 (U.S.).

<sup>9</sup> <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cdcresponse/Final-CDC-Order-Prohibiting-Introduction-of-Persons.pdf>.

disastrous policy decision has been widely criticized by both Democrats and Republicans alike. For example, Sen. Kelly called this “the wrong decision,” while Sen. Sinema said that such an action shows a “lack of understanding about the crisis at the border.”<sup>10</sup> Sen. Manchin has said that, “Today’s announcement by the CDC and the Biden Administration is a frightening decision. Title 42 has been an essential tool in combatting the spread of COVID-19 and controlling the influx of migrants at our southern border.”<sup>11</sup> Sen. Hassan has warned that, “Ending Title 42 prematurely will likely lead to a migrant surge that the administration does not appear to be ready for.”<sup>12</sup>

This has led to reports that the annual spring surge of illegal immigration will be even worse than usual. In the words of one CBP agent, “We are expecting to get wrecked.”<sup>13</sup> Even the *Washington Post* acknowledges that “[t]he predictable effect of lifting Title 42 is a new influx of migrants from Central America and beyond, which would compound an existing surge at the U.S.-Mexican border.”<sup>14</sup> The Editorial Board correctly notes that this “was supposed to be Vice President Harris’s brief, but she appears to have done little to address the problem.”<sup>15</sup> Instead, we must brace for “chaos at the border.”<sup>16</sup>

I am particularly alarmed at new reports suggesting that DHS plans to divert doctors from the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide free medical resources to those crossing our border illegally. In the words of one CBP official, “We’re going to take medical services away from people that really deserve that. Who went to combat... to give free medical attention to illegal migrants.”<sup>17</sup>

There are also reports that DHS plans to provide migrants with free phones.<sup>18</sup> In addition, a leaked memorandum titled “DHS Southwest Border Mass Irregular Contingency Plan” details your plan to maximize the ability of illegal immigrants to apply for relief.<sup>19</sup>

These new reports deserve immediate answers. They should be confirmed or denied promptly. So that Congress can consider remedial legislation, please provide the following information by April 29, 2022:

1. Does DHS plan to divert medical resources from the Department of Veteran Affairs to provide free medical services to illegal aliens?

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<sup>10</sup> <https://www.kelly.senate.gov/press-releases/sens-kelly-and-sinema-on-the-biden-administrations-decision-to-end-title-42/>

<sup>11</sup> <https://www.manchin.senate.gov/newsroom/press-releases/manchin-title-42-must-stay-in-place-until-we-have-major-immigration-reforms>

<sup>12</sup> <https://twitter.com/SenatorHassan/status/1509936999267983364?s=20&t=C9Ooy-3VCeWYQtZENrdycg>

<sup>13</sup> <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/border-patrol-agents-migrant-wave-title-42>

<sup>14</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/2022/04/01/migrant-surge-is-coming-border-biden-is-not-ready/>

<sup>15</sup> *Id.*

<sup>16</sup> *Id.*

<sup>17</sup> [https://twitter.com/hillary\\_vaughn/status/1509530954569682951](https://twitter.com/hillary_vaughn/status/1509530954569682951)

<sup>18</sup> [https://twitter.com/BillFOXLA/status/1511354961036197902?s=20&t=ntQzVgzfD\\_wsAUzIJTYzRQ](https://twitter.com/BillFOXLA/status/1511354961036197902?s=20&t=ntQzVgzfD_wsAUzIJTYzRQ)

<sup>19</sup> <https://www.scribd.com/document/568069079/Southwest-Border-Mass-Irregular-Migration-Contingency-Plan-Feb-2022#download>

2. Does DHS plan to provide illegal aliens with free phones? What is the justification for doing so?
3. If cell phones are being provided to illegal aliens, what controls are in place to ensure taxpayer dollars do not go to waste?
4. Please produce a complete and unredacted copy of the Department's memorandum titled "Southwest Border Mass Irregular Migration Contingency Plan."
5. What steps are you taking to combat the expected surge in illegal immigration at the southern border?
6. How many encounters with illegal aliens does the Department expect this spring, compared to last spring?
7. How many more Border Patrol agents does the Department plan to hire to address the crisis at the southern border?
8. By what objective metrics is the Department measuring its performance?
9. How is the Department leveraging drones and other technologies to monitor at the southern border?
10. How is the Department partnering with state and local officials to address the crisis at the southern border?

Sincerely,

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Josh Hawley  
United States Senator



March 31, 2022

The Honorable Antony Blinken  
Secretary of State  
2201 C Street NW  
Washington, DC 20521

**RECEIVED**

By ESEC at 11:47 am, Apr 06, 2022

The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas  
Secretary of Homeland Security  
Washington, DC 20528

Dear Secretary Blinken and Secretary Mayorkas:

We write to express our deep concern with the treatment of Alireza Ghorbani, a celebrated Iranian singer and Canadian resident, ahead of his performance at a sold-out concert in Costa Mesa, California, to celebrate the Iranian New Year Norooz. Mr. Ghorbani is one of the preeminent Iranian singers outside of the country, and performs at music festivals all over the world. The Farhang Foundation - which put on the concert that was to feature Mr. Ghorbani - went out of its way to ensure that he secured a visa and would encounter no trouble in getting to the United States to perform for the Iranian-American community.

Shockingly, Mr. Ghorbani was blocked from attending. According to the *Los Angeles Times*, he was removed from his flight and interrogated for nearly four hours, had his visa canceled and was told he could no longer travel to the United States.<sup>1</sup> The cause of this insulting and humiliating detention was reportedly his compulsory military service decades earlier for the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC), which in 2019 was designated as a foreign terrorist organization (FTO).

We recognize that certain sanctions and precautions are necessary when it comes to an entity like the IRGC, which engages in a variety of actions counter to U.S. interests and peace and security throughout the Middle East. However, it is an outrage that Mr. Ghorbani would be treated like a terrorist for seeking to share his musical gift with the Iranian-American community, all due to an inflexible designation that can't distinguish between the IRGC's leadership and a musician living abroad who ended his compulsory military service decades ago.

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<sup>1</sup> Iranian vocalist, headliner at Segerstrom Nowruz celebration interrogated, denied U.S. entry, Los Angeles Times, March 30, 2022, <https://www.latimes.com/socal/daily-pilot/news/story/2022-03-30/iranian-vocalist-headliner-at-segerstrom-nowruz-celebration-interrogated-denied-u-s-entry>.



The IRGC is the only entity on the FTO list that is part of a foreign state and the only one that engages in state-backed conscription. Yet the State Department and Department of Homeland Security apply blanket and apparently retroactive restrictions onto anyone who has ever served in the IRGC, including Mr. Ghorbani and a growing list of individuals with spouses and other loved ones in the United States.

We urge you to revisit Mr. Ghorbani's ability to visit the United States so that he can share his musical gift with the Iranian-American community. Moreover, we urge you to revisit these policies to ensure that U.S. restrictions can distinguish between those actively serving in the IRGC and individuals who have long since departed the military service. Maintaining this inflexible policy will regrettably lead to more painful and insulting incidents like the one that occurred this month, and needlessly and painfully keep families separated over actions they had no control over.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Abate". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a distinct "Abate" at the end.

President, National Iranian American Council

# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

April 6, 2022

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**By ESEC at 12:25 pm, Apr 06, 2022**

The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas  
Secretary of Homeland Security  
300 7th Street SW  
Washington, D.C. 20024

Dear Secretary Mayorkas,

We write you today to request that you disclose the investigative findings of the investigation by U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) regarding horse patrol activity in Del Rio, TX in September.

On September 19, 2021, pictures were taken of U.S. Border Patrol agents on horseback using horse reins as part of an effort to prevent Haitian migrants from illegally crossing the border near Del Rio, TX.<sup>1</sup> This led to accusations from immigration activists and Democrat politicians that the reins were being used as whips,<sup>2</sup> despite numerous accounts to the contrary.

At the time, members of the Biden Administration very publicly and harshly condemned this patrol activity.<sup>3</sup> Before any facts were gathered, President Biden vowed that the agents "will pay"<sup>4</sup> for this patrol activity, and Vice President Harris called the agents' activity "horrible" and said that there "needs to be consequences and accountability,"<sup>5</sup> despite that the photographer who captured the images in question said that the photographs were being "misconstrued" as whipping.<sup>6</sup> The agents were placed on leave from their law enforcement duties pending an investigation.<sup>7</sup>

After initially explaining that agents use long reins like the ones depicted to control their horses, not as whips,<sup>8</sup> you later changed your position and said that you were "horrified" and would be conducting a swift investigation, promising that the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) would act "with full force based on the facts that we learn."<sup>9</sup> You stated

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<sup>1</sup> <https://nypost.com/2021/09/24/border-patrol-pics-were-misconstrued-photographer-says/>.

<sup>2</sup> <https://nypost.com/2022/03/29/border-agents-whipping-investigation-still-open-months-after-quick-probe-promised/>.

<sup>3</sup> <https://nypost.com/2021/09/24/border-patrol-pics-were-misconstrued-photographer-says/>.

<sup>4</sup> <https://nypost.com/2021/09/24/border-patrol-pics-were-misconstrued-photographer-says/>.

<sup>5</sup> <https://www.latimes.com/politics/story/2021-09-24/kamala-harris-says-footage-of-border-patrol-on-horseback-evokes-images-of-american-slavery>.

<sup>6</sup> <https://nypost.com/2021/09/24/border-patrol-pics-were-misconstrued-photographer-says/>.

<sup>7</sup> <https://nypost.com/2021/09/22/dhs-puts-border-agents-accused-of-whipping-migrants-on-desk-duty/>.

<sup>8</sup> <https://nypost.com/2021/09/20/dhs-chief-alejandro-mayorkas-pushes-back-on-haitian-migrant-abuse-claims/>.

<sup>9</sup> [https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/mayorkas-border-patrol-haitians/2021/09/21/fd1fd09e-1ad4-11ec-a99a-5fea2b2da34b\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/mayorkas-border-patrol-haitians/2021/09/21/fd1fd09e-1ad4-11ec-a99a-5fea2b2da34b_story.html).

that this investigation would “be completed in days – not weeks,”<sup>10</sup> because “[t]he public needs and deserves to know its results.”<sup>11</sup>

We agree that the public deserves to know the results of this investigation. Yet, it has been more than six months since this episode occurred, and no report has been released. It appears that DHS last referenced OPR’s investigation on November 16, 2021.<sup>12</sup>

A news report from earlier this year quotes a DHS official noting that, in the agent’s experience, this report “would have been done within a period of weeks,” but adding: “I doubt that the current administration will release this report on the horse patrol incident because it makes the administration look terrible. They essentially convicted the mounted agents based upon a lie.”<sup>13</sup> It remains unclear why these findings have not been released.<sup>14</sup>

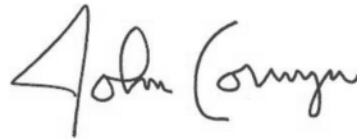
The American people—and especially your agents whose superiors publicly accused them of misconduct—deserve the transparency you promised, even if it is embarrassing for the Biden Administration.

Therefore, we request that you publicly release the OPR investigate findings, including any reports regarding such findings, by Wednesday, April 13, 2022.

Sincerely,




Bill Hagerty  
United States Senator



John Cornyn  
United States Senator



Ted Cruz  
United States Senator



Kevin Cramer  
United States Senator

<sup>10</sup> <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2021/09/22/photos-border-patrol-using-horse-reins-whips-prompts-dhs-probe/5812845001/>.

<sup>11</sup> [https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/mayorkas-border-patrol-haitians/2021/09/21/fd1fd09e-1ad4-11ec-a99a-5fea2b2da34b\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/mayorkas-border-patrol-haitians/2021/09/21/fd1fd09e-1ad4-11ec-a99a-5fea2b2da34b_story.html).

<sup>12</sup> <https://www.dhs.gov/news/2021/11/16/dhs-update-regarding-investigation-horse-patrol-activity-del-rio-texas-september-19>.

<sup>13</sup> <https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/policy/report-on-texas-horse-patrol-incident-may-never-materialize>.

<sup>14</sup> <https://nypost.com/2022/03/29/border-agents-whipping-investigation-still-open-months-after-quick-probe-promised/>.



Josh Hawley  
United States Senator



Tommy Tuberville  
United States Senator



Mike Lee  
United States Senator





April 6, 2022

The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas  
Secretary of Homeland Security  
Washington, DC 20528

**RECEIVED**  
**By ESEC at 2:56 pm, Apr 06, 2022**

Dear Secretary Mayorkas:

I write as one member of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, and not as the Commission as a whole, to address the manifest failure of the Department of Homeland Security to enforce basic immigration law.

The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights was established by the Civil Rights Act of 1957 to, among other things, examine matters related to discrimination and denials of equal protection. Because immigration often implicates issues of national origin and race discrimination, the Commission has conducted several hearings on various aspects of immigration, particularly illegal immigration. Among such hearings were two that addressed the effects of illegal immigration on the wages and employment opportunities of black Americans. The evidence adduced by the Commission shows that illegal immigration has a disproportionate negative effect on the wages and employment opportunities for blacks, particularly black males. The reason for this negative effect is plain: blacks, particularly black men, are disproportionately concentrated in the low-skill labor market and are disproportionately likely to have no more than a high school diploma. Likewise, illegal immigrants are disproportionately low-skilled and also disproportionately likely to have minimal education levels. Both groups compete with one another in the low-skill labor market. The competition is most fierce in some of the very industries in which blacks historically have been highly concentrated, such as construction, hospitality, and service.

The impact of illegal immigration on the employment and wage levels of low-skilled workers is especially severe during difficult economic conditions. At the time of the Commission's initial hearing, which was conducted as the nation was still struggling with the effects of the 2008 financial meltdown, the labor force participation rate was 65.2% for blacks. Slightly more than 500,000 illegal aliens were apprehended at the border that year.

The full impact of the massive increase in illegal immigration over the last year—resulting in an unprecedented 1,659,206 border apprehensions—has yet to be felt. Even so, the current black labor force participation rate is a mere 62.3%. The announced termination of Title 42 is projected to increase illegal border crossings yet further.

Not only does illegal immigration depress the employment levels of black Americans, it drives down the wages of available jobs. Indeed, one study prior to the massive influx estimated that the annual earnings of the average documented worker in Georgia were depressed by \$960.



Federal law requires all illegal aliens to be detained pending determination that they have a valid basis for entry. 8 USC § 1225(b)(2). The federal government may only release illegal aliens on a case-by-case basis for urgent humanitarian reasons or for a significant public benefit.

The Department of Homeland Security has egregiously violated this requirement. Indeed, it has already been found to have violated it in *Texas v. Biden*, 10 F.4<sup>th</sup> 538 (5<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2021); *see also, Texas v. United States*, \_\_\_ F. Supp 3d \_\_\_, 2021 WL2096669 (S.D. Tex. 2021); *Texas v. United States*, \_\_\_ F.Supp.3d \_\_\_, 2021 WL3683913 (S.D. Tex. 2021).

Data obtained from your Department show that illegal border crossers have even been flown to their chosen destinations within the interior of the U.S. The estimated cost of such relocation in just the first nine months of 2021 was \$340 million. That figure appears not to include any taxpayer dollars that may have been paid to contractors and NGOs that have transported illegal immigrants to the interior. Instead of spending money on border security, the Department is spending taxpayer dollars to facilitate the wanton violation of the law.

The brazen disregard of federal law by your Department has multiple deleterious effects on minority communities in the United States. For example, crime has exploded, in part, due to illegal immigration. Illegal immigration also has placed considerable stress on public education, costing millions in limited English proficiency programs alone. Social service programs, education, and medical costs are draining local revenue. In some cities property taxes have exploded, in part, to cover these additional costs. The Administration's reported plan to lift Title 42 will only exacerbate these problems.

This cannot continue. Your Department's failure to perform its duties presents a clear and present danger to all Americans and lower-income Americans in particular.

Please immediately cease and desist from these blatant violations of the law and discharge your principal obligation of securing the border.

Sincerely,

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Peter Kirsanow  
Commissioner

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*By ESEC at 2:50 pm, Apr 06, 2022*

**Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr.**  
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Vice-President of the United States  
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**Ambassador Susan Rice**  
Director of the Domestic Policy Council  
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**Jake Sullivan**  
National Security Advisor  
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**Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas**  
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**The Honorable Antony Blinken**  
Secretary of State  
U.S. Department of State  
2201 C Street, N.W  
Washington, D.C. 20520

**Dr. Rochelle Walensky**  
Director  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
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### **The United States Must Welcome All Refugees Without Discrimination**

Dear President Biden, Vice-President Harris, Secretary Mayorkas, Amb. Rice, Advisor Sullivan, Secretary Blinken, and Dr. Walensky:

In the days and weeks that have followed since Russia first invaded Ukraine, forcing millions of Ukrainians to flee, Europe and the United States have responded quickly and in important ways to meet the needs of this moment. We want to say thank you to the administration for granting TPS for Ukrainians, championing billions of dollars in aid to Ukraine, and announcing the intention to welcome 100,000 Ukrainian refugees.

However, the domestic response to Ukraine has stood in stark contrast to ongoing crises in Yemen, Tigray, Syria, and in other regions and countries around the world. From world leaders, to journalists, community members, and business leaders, stories of racial bias faced at the borders of Ukraine and groups of Black and Brown Ukrainians, immigrants, and students being denied safety are rampant. And communities previously considered anti-immigrant are welcoming (\*white) Ukrainians with open arms.

In the United States, TPS was immediately granted for Ukraine, while communities from Bahamas, Cameroon, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Guatemala, Guinea, Honduras, Hong Kong, Lebanon, Mauritania, Nepal, Nicaragua, and Sierra Leone still wait for TPS amid their country's respective civil wars, crises of violence, and other extraordinary conditions. To be clear, we are celebrating TPS for Ukrainians, it is evident that TPS is necessary due to mounting evidence of clear and present dangers to Ukrainians returning home. Yet, we fail to see how individuals from

other countries who have been meeting with the administration for months, demonstrating clear and present danger to return, are not also being granted TPS at this time.

Furthermore, many of the 76,000 Afghans who were evacuated to the United States are now in limbo while Congress fails to pass the Afghan Adjustment Act to allow those with humanitarian parole to be granted a pathway to long-term status. And while we are grateful that Afghans were finally granted TPS, thousands remain left behind with no option for a designated parole program.

Along our southern border, Ukrainians now join the **1,200,000** Black and Brown migrant and asylum-seeking individuals and families arriving at the United States border only to be expelled under Title 42, a COVID measure that has outlived its plausibility and uses public health as a justification to be racist. Until the announcement last week, Title 42 expulsion was a policy that this administration seemed keen to protect. Ukrainians are also subject to Title 42 until its final termination May 23rd, with case by case exceptions.

These points highlight the growing disparity in our response - or lack thereof - to the needs of individuals and families that the United States has confirmed commitments and legal obligations to aid and protect. In addition to extending TPS to the aforementioned countries, upholding refugee law without discrimination, and robustly implementing Executive Order #13985 that was signed during this Administration's first day in office, we also recommend the following 6 steps the administration should immediately take to rebuild and strengthen the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program to meet the ongoing and present need of the growing refugee population.

**1. Expedite Family Reunifications:** Refugee families face extreme backlogs in both the follow-to-join (FTJ, I-730) and Priority 3 (P-3) processes, and families continue to face protracted separation. Reforms to the refugee family reunification process should include immediately prioritizing staffing and resources to identify and remove bottlenecks to expedite existing FTJ and P-3 cases, removing the two-year filing deadline for FTJ petitions, and reducing lengthy delays in USCIS's Refugee Access Verification Unit (RAVU) initial paper review of claimed relationships between the anchor relative and overseas family member listed on the Affidavit Of Relationship (AOR).

**2. Expand Overseas Refugee Adjudication Capacity:** To meet urgent protection needs and to resettle as many refugees as possible in FY 2022 and FY 2023, the administration must strengthen adjudication capacity to increase the number of refugees we can process to the United States. This should include hiring and training additional USCIS refugee officers, increasing the number and duration of circuit rides with trained staff, scheduling robust circuit rides as soon as possible for FY 2023, expanding Resettlement Support Center (RSC) capacity, (re)opening international offices, and expanding the USRAP pipeline to include additional NGO and DOS Embassy referrals. For example, the administration should expand all potential processing locations for refugees whose RSC is not operational due to emergencies or where processing has stopped, such as by creating pop-up RSCs.

**3. Improve Refugee Vetting Efficiencies:** Tens of thousands of refugees referred to the USRAP have languished in dangerous conditions for years, while they wait with little information about the status of their case. The administration should enable more efficient and equitable screening and adjudication processes, such as by expanding the use of video technology, reversing harmful and ineffective vetting practices, and establishing oversight mechanisms and high-level coordination of all aspects of USRAP. Particular attention should be paid to backlogs, such as applicants who had been previously interviewed before 2020, Afghan and Iraqi Special

Immigrant Visa (SIV) applicants, [Iraqi](#) and [Afghan P-2](#) applicants, and family reunification cases, such as P-2 Iraqi and Syrian I-130 beneficiaries.

**4. Strengthen Domestic Resettlement Capacity:** Attention to domestic capacity is urgently needed to ensure that the administration can scale resettlement in FY22 and FY23. PRM and ORR should take steps to increase capacity across the network of resettlement agencies. Reforms could include providing additional funding for staffing, housing, and integration services for refugees and reforming the funding structure to ensure guaranteed funding for resettlement agencies at the beginning of the fiscal year. The administration should include creative capacity expansion, such as through new and existing [community sponsorship](#) programs.

**5. Ensure Due Process and Transparency:** Transparency and public reporting are critical to holding the administration accountable for operating USRAP in good faith and providing refugee applicants with more equitable treatment. The administration should reduce the opacity with which USRAP operates, such as by providing more regular case updates for applicants, continuing to [publish](#) reviews, reports, and policies relevant to refugee processing, and allowing access to counsel for key aspects of refugee processing. The administration should further ensure that it conducts timely and meaningful consultations with Congress around the FY 2023 refugee admissions goal in summer 2022 and sign the FY 2023 Presidential Determination before September 30th.

**6. Appoint Senior-Level White House Coordinator:** The White House should appoint a senior-level coordinator with a high level security clearance to coordinate federal agencies and other stakeholders around U.S. refugee resettlement and establish specific benchmarks to meet admissions goals. The President should establish an advisory body on refugee protection, led by the White House coordinator and composed of leaders and experts, including a significant number of refugees, former refugees, asylees, stateless people, and other vulnerable migrants. Continuing to rebuild this life-saving program will take time, resources, coordination, and leadership.

Thank you for your work.

Sincerely,

Voice For Refuge Action Fund  
Access Living/ Cambiando Vidas  
African American Ministers In Action  
Americans for Immigrant Justice  
Arizona Justice For Our Neighbors  
Ascentria Care Alliance  
Asian Americans Advancing Justice | Chicago  
Asian Pacific Institute on Gender-Based Violence  
Asylum Seeker Advocacy Project (ASAP)  
Bellevue Program for Survivors of Torture  
Border Network for Human Rights  
Bridges Faith Initiative  
Center for Disability Rights  
Chris Palusky, President and CEO, Bethany Christian Services

Church World Service  
Community Refugee & Immigration Services (CRIS)  
Comunidad Maya Pixan Ixim  
Cooperative Baptist Fellowship  
Cooperative Baptist Fellowship West  
Disciples Refugee & Immigration Ministries  
El Calvario UMC-IAC  
Ethiopian Community Development Council  
Faiths for Safe Water  
Fellowship Southwest  
Florence Immigrant & Refugee Rights Project  
Freedom Network USA  
Haitian Bridge Alliance  
HIAS  
IRIS - Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Services  
Islamic Relief USA  
Journey's End Refugee Services  
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Maine Immigrants' Rights Coalition  
Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns  
Miami Valley Immigration Coalition  
Mississippi Center for Justice  
Motivation Motivates  
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National Council of Jewish Women  
National Partnership for New Americans  
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Presbyterian Church (USA)  
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Refuge America  
Sisters of Mercy of the Americas Justice Team  
Social Eco Education (SEE)  
Southeast Asia Resource Action Center (SEARAC)  
Union for Reform Judaism  
We Are All America  
Welcoming America  
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Women's Campaign International  
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**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**  
April 5, 2022

The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
245 Murray Lane SW  
Washington, DC 20528

**RECEIVED**  
**By ESEC at 12:52 pm, Apr 06, 2022**

Dear Secretary Mayorkas:

We write to reiterate our concerns regarding the impact of the Proclamation on Advancing the Safe Resumption of Global Travel During the COVID-19 Pandemic (Presidential Proclamation 10294) on the food-supply chain. In the two months since we sent our initial letter, we have consistently engaged with you, as well as many of your colleagues on the COVID-19 Task Force and in the Biden Administration. However, we are troubled the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has taken no substantial action to mitigate the potentially significant damage this policy may cause to this vital sector.

As we discussed in our previous letter, employers have become increasingly reliant on the H-2A program to fill open positions in our agricultural workforce. In fiscal year 2021 alone, the Department of Labor certified more than 317,000 H-2A positions.<sup>1</sup> Due to seasonality and other factors, a successful agricultural cycle is deeply dependent on the availability of workers at specific times. As you know, on January 22, 2022, DHS began implementing Presidential Proclamation 10294, requiring all non-U.S. individuals—including H-2A workers—who enter the United States to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.<sup>2</sup> To be admitted under this policy, travelers must show proof of a Centers for Disease Control (CDC) approved vaccination.

In the coming weeks, as the growing season begins, agricultural employers have predicted that the number of H-2A workers they will need to come into the United States will increase considerably. While we support the Administration's efforts to combat the pandemic and respect the need to protect public health, we are concerned that CDC-approved vaccinations may not be readily available in all H-2A eligible countries or in the rural areas in which such workers reside. Further still, DHS has yet to provide any information as to whether the vaccine requirement will be extended beyond April 21, 2022. Our nation's growers and workers need certainty to ensure the continuity and stability of our domestic food supply chain.

As such, we once again urge you to work with representatives of the agricultural sector to create alternative ways for H-2A workers to enter the United States without compromising public health. We know the Department, under your leadership, has the capacity to work with employers and workers to strike the right balance to protect our national interests. As just one example, the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) recently directed CBP to provide the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine to all age-appropriate noncitizens who have been taken into CBP custody along the southwest

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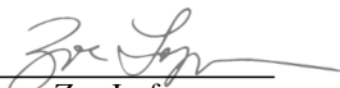
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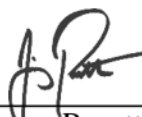
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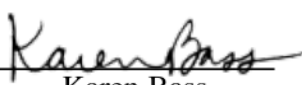
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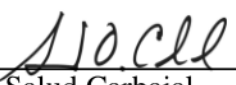
It is critical that you coordinate with our nation's growers and workers to develop similarly innovative solutions for our agricultural sector. In doing so, you will not only protect our nation's public health, but also ensure the continuity of our nation's food supply chain.

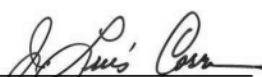
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Member of Congress

  
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Member of Congress

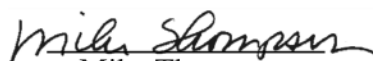
  
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Member of Congress

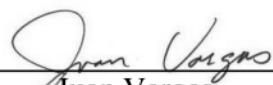
  
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cc: Chris Magnus, Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection



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Thank you!

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Fine to provide

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I could go either way on providing your recommended response vs letting this lie. I lean toward letting it lie....what do you think, Marsha?

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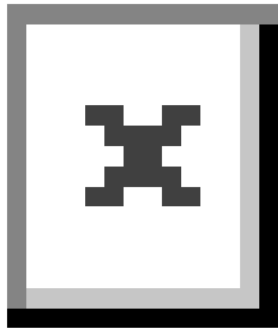
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Moving this one up. I think they got it wrong on the air (no other reporter has reached out to us about this), but not sure what the best way to proceed here is.

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**From:** MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 14, 2022 9:43 AM  
**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6) PECK, SARAH (b)(6)  
**Subject:** FW: Report: border agents cleared of wrongdoing

Flagging this Daily Caller reporter saying that Fox is reporting the Del Rio agents have been cleared of wrongdoing. I *think* the reporter is referring to this piece from 4/6: [GOP senators urge DHS to release findings from probe into Border Patrol agents | Fox News](#) or the video in the tweet below (though not finding a write up). I am not tracking Fox having reached out to us or CBP.



<https://twitter.com/theicoop/status/1514371020764987399>

I don't know that we can still deploy the language we used to. But I can say we don't have an update at this time and send them the link to the latest statement? [DHS Update Regarding the Investigation of Horse Patrol Activity | Homeland Security](#)

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**From:** Jennie Taer (b)(6)  
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**To:** Media Inquiry <MediaInquiry@HQ.DHS.GOV>  
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It's Jennie Taer from the Daily Caller News Foundation.

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Could you please provide a comment on this?

Jennie

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Jennie Taer  
Investigative Reporter  
Daily Caller News Foundation

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Thank you. We let the reporter know there is no update at this time and referred them to our last statement on this: [DHS Update Regarding the Investigation of Horse Patrol Activity | Homeland Security](#)

I think we're good to consider this one closed out. Let me know if she follows up/you see more of this? Seems like they misspoke on the Fox News segment.

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**From:** BARREDA, CECILIA M (b)(6)  
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**Subject:** RE: Report: agents cleared of wrongdoing

See below clip shared by Jennie

<https://www.newsbusters.org/blogs/nb/kevin-tober/2022/04/13/nets-ignore-whipping-border-agents-being-cleared-wrongdoing>

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Do you have the fox report she is talking about? The latest one I have is from the 6<sup>th</sup>, and I'm not seeing this on their website.

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Hi Eduardo, Please see below for your consideration.  
Thanks,  
Cecilia

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**From:** Jennie Taer (b)(6)  
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Yep! To make sure they're ok with WH feedback, and then – just to be extra extra sure – run it back by WH for vis on what we'll provide.

**From:** PECK, SARAH (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Monday, April 18, 2022 11:56 AM  
**To:** MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO (b)(6) Media Inquiry <MediaInquiry@HQ.DHS.GOV>  
**Subject:** Re: CONFIRM REPORTING

Agree. You mean you'll run it by our chain with Ricki et al before providing, right?

**From:** MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO (b)(6)  
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**To:** Media Inquiry <MediaInquiry@HQ.DHS.GOV>; PECK, SARAH (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: CONFIRM REPORTING

Thank you. +@PECK, SARAH here. I think we can have CBP provide the statement currently with the WH on this. Bringing it up back up here. If ok with you, I can send this back to the chain here for a quick approval.

Pili feedback: (b)(5)

(b)(5)

**From:** Fernandez, Angelo (b)(6) **On Behalf Of** Media Inquiry  
**Sent:** Monday, April 18, 2022 11:51 AM  
**To:** MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO (b)(6)  
**Subject:** FW: CONFIRM REPORTING

Flagging from Fox on the events in Del Rio.

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**From:** Biddle, Kristina (b)(6)  
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**To:** Media Inquiry (b)(6)  
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Good Morning,

Would you be able to confirm the following reporting and statement from National Border Patrol Council President Brandon Judd to the DCFN in regard to border agents accused of whipping migrants being cleared of criminal misconduct, as given to the Daily Caller?

Thank you!  
Kristina Biddle  
White House Producer  
Fox  
C: (b)(6)

<https://dailycaller.com/2022/04/01/border-patrol-agents-alleged-whipping-haitian-migrants/>

National Border Patrol Council President Brandon Judd told the Daily Caller News Foundation that the border agents accused of “whipping” migrants in September were cleared of criminal misconduct amid an ongoing investigation into the incident.

“The only reason that we know that they were cleared is because OPR [Office of Professional Responsibility] started their investigation and they compelled them to give a statement,” Judd told the DCFN. “Once you compel somebody to give a statement, you can’t take criminal action against them.”

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), nor Customs and Border Protection (CBP) confirmed Judd’s statement.

“We will share the results of the investigation once it is complete and provide updates, as available, consistent with the need to protect the integrity of the investigation and individuals’ privacy,” a DHS spokesperson told the DCFN, providing a link to a November press release that was last updated in January, stating that the DHS inspector general declined to conduct the investigation and handed it over to CBP’s Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR).

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Interesting. Fox appears to now be focusing on the decision not to prosecute, rather than the status of the disciplinary review. Different issue, and of course that was a DOJ decision.

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**Cc:** PECK, SARAH (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: BP horse patrol investigation

Below is what she said. The latest draft is still with the WH for consideration, I'll ping them again to make sure they were able to take a look.

Fox News: One additional question about something that happened a few months ago down at the border. We've been told that the mounted border patrol officers the President accused of whipping migrants have been notified they will not face criminal charges. So when is the President going to apologize to them?

Psaki: And there is a process and an investigation that's gone to the Department of Homeland Security. I don't have any update on that.

Fox News: The President said that they were whipping people, which would be a criminal offense and they've been told they're not going to be criminally charged.

Psaki: And there was an investigation to that and I'll let the Department of Homeland Security announce any conclusion of that investigation.

Fox News: You accused these officers of brutal and inappropriate measures, now that they've been told they will not be criminally charged. Will you apologize?

Psaki: And Peter, there was an investigation into their behavior. So that investigation is playing out. Whenever that's going to be announced, the Department of Homeland Security will announce that. And I'm sure we'll have a comment on it after that.

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MARSHA (b)(6)  
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**Subject:** RE: BP horse patrol investigation

Psaki got this today – can OPA send around the transcript when you get a moment? I don't think that changes what we discussed on the call.

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MARSHA (b)(6)  
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(b) (5) is the term used by CBP OPR here and in similar contexts to I think it's appropriate.

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(b)(6); REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6); ESPINOSA,  
MARSHA (b)(6)  
**Cc:** PECK, SARAH (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: BP horse patrol investigation

Privileged

Jon is (b) (5) a term of art in this context and accurate as edited?

Will see about moving this meeting forward to today before we provide a response.

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**From:** MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Monday, April 18, 2022 12:11 PM  
**To:** MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO (b)(6); CANEGALLO, KRISTIE (b)(6); SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6); REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6); ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
**Cc:** PECK, SARAH (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: BP horse patrol investigation

Good here.

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**From:** MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Monday, April 18, 2022 12:05 PM  
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**Cc:** PECK, SARAH (b)(6)  
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We received some feedback from the WH on the holding statement (b)(5)

(b)(5)

For awareness, Fox News reached out for comment this morning on the investigation so CBP will provide the statement below this afternoon if there are no concerns.

(b)(5)

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**From:** CANEGALLO, KRISTIE (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Monday, April 18, 2022 11:57 AM  
**To:** MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6); REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6); ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
**Cc:** PECK, SARAH (b)(6); MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO (b)(6)  
**Subject:** Re: BP horse patrol investigation

I'll find time for this group to convene briefly tomorrow on this.

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**From:** MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Monday, April 18, 2022 9:37:16 AM  
**To:** SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6); ESPINOSA, MARSHA  
(b)(6) CANEGALLO, KRISTIE (b)(6)  
**Cc:** PECK, SARAH (b)(6); MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: BP horse patrol investigation

Sorry to be late to the party here. I agree less is more. I made a small tweak to the (b)(5)

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**From:** SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 17, 2022 1:22 PM  
**To:** DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6) REZMOVIC, JEFFREY  
(b)(6); ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6) CANEGALLO,  
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I agree re: option 1. (b)(5)  
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**From:** DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 16, 2022 10:48 AM  
**To:** REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6); ESPINOSA, MARSHA  
(b)(6) SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6) CANEGALLO, KRISTIE  
(b)(6) MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6)  
**Cc:** PECK, SARAH (b)(6); MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO (b)(6)  
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On further reflection I agree. Less is more. I vote for 1.

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**From:** REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 16, 2022 6:07:02 AM  
**To:** DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6) ESPINOSA, MARSHA  
(b)(6) SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6) CANEGALLO, KRISTIE  
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I vote for option 1, assuming CBP considers it to be accurate.

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**Cc:** PECK, SARAH (b)(6); MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO (b)(6)  
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Hi all,


I inputted a suggested Option 1B — which is a combo of the various other options. For your consideration.


Best,  
Jen

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Let us know if you'd like a call this weekend.

Here are two options for holding statements:  [DRAFT Del Rio Updated Holding Statement.docx](#)

And, for reference here is a document with S1's previous public comments on the investigation:  [Overview of S1 Horse Patrol investigation public comments.docx](#)

My recommendation is for any new statement to come from CBP.

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**Sent:** Friday, April 15, 2022 11:09 AM  
**To:** SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6); CANEGALLO, KRISTIE (b)(6); ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
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Nat and I just discussed as well. happy to jump on a call.

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**Cc:** PECK, SARAH (b)(6); MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO (b)(6)  
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Marsha and I spoke. She's asking Luis to revise the messaging. We should convene when we have a revised draft.

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+ Kristie

Thanks for bumping the plan. I think we need a call about this.

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Bumping this. FOX is apparently running a story saying that the agents got cleared and that the WH owes them an apology. We're pulling the clip and will circulate it. Has anyone been able to look at this document?

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**From:** MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Monday, April 11, 2022 8:55 AM  
**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6); REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6); SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6)  
**Cc:** PECK, SARAH (b)(6)  
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 [docx icon DRAFT - Del Rio Incident Rollout and PAG .docx](#)

Thanks,  
Eduardo

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**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, April 8, 2022 5:38 PM  
**To:** MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6); REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6); SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6)  
**Cc:** PECK, SARAH (b)(6); MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO (b)(6)  
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Sounds like OPR will be providing results to a small group on Monday. We will be sending a rollout to you all over the weekend to have ready in case this leaks next week.

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**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 7, 2022 4:52:55 PM  
**To:** MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6); REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6); SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6)  
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Hi folks-

Putting this on your radar if its not already:

We are hearing through comms channels that some materials related to the Del Rio Horse Patrol investigation are going to be transmitted to a “small group” of CBP leadership on Monday. They are targeting April 20th for the release of the report/findings, but may look to release it as early as Wednesday given the likelihood that it leaks.

The announcement will be an end to the investigation and the start of the disciplinary review. We have requested rollout materials for clearance soonest.

**Marsha Espinosa**  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
Assistant Secretary, Office of Public Affairs

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The Biden administration is expanding Temporary Protected Status (TPS) eligibility for Ukrainians living in the U.S., moving up the program's cut-off date by six weeks, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced Monday. In early March, DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas announced a TPS program to shield Ukrainians in the U.S. from deportation, citing Russia's invasion of Ukraine. At the time, Mayorkas said only Ukrainians living in the U.S. as of March 1 would qualify for TPS, which also provides work permits. On Monday, however, Mayorkas said in a notice that Ukrainians residing in the U.S. as of April 11 would be eligible for TPS if they meet other eligibility rules and pass background checks. The government estimates that 59,600 Ukrainians could apply for TPS after the program is opened to applications on Tuesday. [...] In his notice Monday, Mayorkas said the war in Ukraine "poses a serious

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**The Hill: Biden faces deepening Democratic rift over Title 42 (Jordain Carney)**

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**Reuters: U.S. judge overturns mask mandate for airplanes and trains (David Shepardson)**

A federal judge in Florida said on Monday a U.S. mask mandate on public transportation is unlawful, overturning a Biden administration effort to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Last week, U.S. health officials extended by 15 days the mandate requiring travelers to wear masks on airplanes, trains, and in taxis, ride-share vehicles or transit hubs, saying they needed time to assess the impact of a recent rise in COVID-19 cases. [read more](#) The ruling by U.S. District Judge Kathryn Kimball Mizelle, an appointee of President Donald Trump, came in a lawsuit filed last year in Tampa, Florida, by a group called the Health Freedom Defense Fund.

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Fox News in response to a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request submitted in December. The Terrorist Screening Database (TSDB) contains information about the identities of those who are known or "reasonably suspected" of being involved in terrorist activities. Republicans lawmakers have repeatedly called for the number of those encountered at the border to be made public by the administration. "Reporting indicates that multiple individuals with terrorist ties have been recently apprehended after illegally crossing the border, and that such encounters may be increasing," Reps. James Comer and John Katko, who serve as ranking members on the Oversight and Homeland Security committees respectively, wrote to DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas last month. "The American people deserve to know whether President Biden's weak border policies are allowing terrorists to enter our homeland," they said.

**CBS News: Biden administration expands Temporary Protected Status eligibility for Ukrainians in U.S. (Camilo Montoya- Galvez)**

The Biden administration is expanding Temporary Protected Status (TPS) eligibility for Ukrainians living in the U.S., moving up the program's cut-off date by six weeks, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced Monday. In early March, DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas announced a TPS program to shield Ukrainians in the U.S. from deportation, citing Russia's invasion of Ukraine. At the time, Mayorkas said only Ukrainians living in the U.S. as of March 1 would qualify for TPS, which also provides work permits. On Monday, however, Mayorkas said in a notice that Ukrainians residing in the U.S. as of April 11 would be eligible for TPS if they meet other eligibility rules and pass background checks. The government estimates that 59,600 Ukrainians could apply for TPS after the program is opened to applications on Tuesday. [...] In his notice Monday, Mayorkas said the war in Ukraine "poses a serious danger" to Ukrainians who return there, citing Russia's sustained bombardment of Ukrainian cities, alleged human rights abuses committed by Russian forces, the mass displacement of civilians and the conflict's impact on critical services. "Extraordinary and temporary conditions, including destroyed infrastructure, scarce resources, and lack of access to healthcare, prevent Ukrainian nationals from returning to their homeland in safety," Mayorkas said.

**The Hill: Biden faces deepening Democratic rift over Title 42 (Jordain Carney)**

President Biden is facing growing pushback from Democrats, including from typical allies, over his decision to lift a Trump-era immigration policy. The administration's decision to rescind Title 42 — the Trump-era policy that allows for the rapid expulsion of migrants at the border and blocks them from seeking asylum due to the coronavirus pandemic — is opening a rift not only between Biden and vulnerable Democratic incumbents but also with influential senators, who are seeking public distance from the decision. Sen. Gary Peters (D-Mich.), who chairs both the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and Senate Democrats' campaign arm, said in an interview in the Capitol on Monday that he had privately raised concerns with administration officials, including Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas. Peters said that he wanted to give the administration time to detail a plan to offset lifting the Trump policy but floated revisiting the decision without one. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's decision to terminate Title 42 goes into effect on May 23.

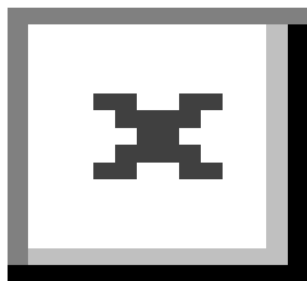
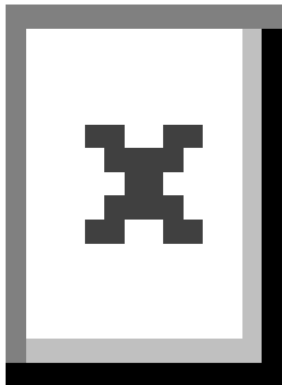
**Reuters: U.S. judge overturns mask mandate for airplanes and trains (David Shepardson)**

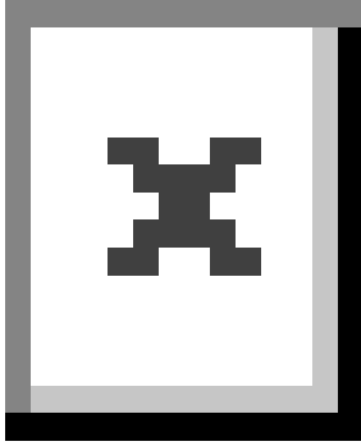
A federal judge in Florida said on Monday a U.S. mask mandate on public transportation is unlawful, overturning a Biden administration effort to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Last



week, U.S. health officials extended by 15 days the mandate requiring travelers to wear masks on airplanes, trains, and in taxis, ride-share vehicles or transit hubs, saying they needed time to assess the impact of a recent rise in COVID-19 cases. read more The ruling by U.S. District Judge Kathryn Kimball Mizelle, an appointee of President Donald Trump, came in a lawsuit filed last year in Tampa, Florida, by a group called the Health Freedom Defense Fund.

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Hi there,

See the attached Hot Topics document. These are the key topics/questions that will likely come up at the hearing. There is some overlap with the longer additional questions document but this is more condensed in case he doesn't have time to look at the longer additional questions document.

Let us know if there are questions.

Thank you.

Alice Lugo  
Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs  
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Thanks Alex. I'm out of the document and my edits/suggestions are attached. Keep the responses and other questions just in case.

Can you update in the morning? Thank you.

Alice Lugo  
Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

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**From:** CARNES, ALEXANDRA (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 24, 2022 9:30 PM  
**To:** LUGO, ALICE (b)(6) SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6)  
**Subject:** DRAFT: Immigration prep questions

Here are all of the questions from the two documents, plus a few new and/or reworded ones included. I alternated between the three of us and aimed for three rounds of questions (2 questions for each of us every round). Let me know what you think and whether we should revise. Also, I'm open to clearing out the suggested responses since we have those captured elsewhere; I left them here for easier reference.

Thanks,  
Alex

**Alexandra Carnes**  
Deputy Assistant Secretary (House)  
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For the hearings? Yes, this is what we've provided.

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**From:** VINOGRAD, SAMANTHA (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Monday, April 25, 2022 10:31 AM  
**To:** LUGO, ALICE (b)(6); HIMMEL, CHLOE (b)(6); CARNES, ALEXANDRA (b)(6)  
**Subject:**

Hi - is there a copy of the tough Q and A for S1's hill briefing that you can share ahead of prep?

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Here it is in a sharepoint for easier editing: [docx icon CBP Del Rio Horse Patrol Unit Investigation Draft Statement and Rollout v5.2 06082022 for DHS review.docx](#)

**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 8, 2022 11:59 AM  
**To:** WATERS, ERIN (b)(6); PECK, SARAH (b)(6); MAIA SILVA, EDUARDO (b)(6)  
**Subject:** FW: DRT draft statement

**From:** SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 8, 2022 11:50 AM  
**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
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**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

Not sure if Reese had a chance to send this over yet, see attached for the full rollout plan. Happy to talk through.

**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 5, 2022 10:27 AM  
**To:** MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
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DANIEL J (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

Thank you. We'll standby pending CBP FO and C1 review.

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**From:** MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 4, 2022 10:09 PM  
**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); KAIN, NATHANIEL C  
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DANIEL J (b)(6)  
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Attached is a revised version with OPA edits on top of Dan's v3 version. I understand some of this is up for discussion, but in the interest of keeping things moving forward this leans in on several message points, goals, and tactics understanding that CBP's front office and C1 still need to review the suggestions.

v/r  
Luis.

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**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 4, 2022 2:27 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

Thank you. Any update on a new draft?

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**From:** MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, June 3, 2022 1:45 PM  
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DANIEL J (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

Roger, Marsha. I'll take a pass at it. To Nat's point on the workforce email, I think we can wait on figuring that out based on how things look as we flesh this plan out. Might be worth a call to think through the scenarios.

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**From:** KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6)  
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**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

We could potentially push a day or maybe two, but not beyond that. The intent for this is to be more of a process/investigation summary than press release, but happy to have you all make adjustments. The investigation itself is long so this is our opportunity to summarize and frame.

Happy to discuss a workforce email but it would be another significant deviation from normal processes and I'm not seeing what we gain from it right now (am also not a comms expert).

—  
Nat Kaine  
Acting Chief of Staff  
U.S. Customs and Border Protection  
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**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
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**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

These are all good points. I did not realize that public affairs hadn't weighed in yet, but now makes sense since it doesn't read like a release. Luis- please take a turn at this before sending back. It looks like some of the Q&A is old. I would also suggest an employee email and a tick-tock. Is there a reason behind the Wednesday target, or could it be pushed? POTUS speaks at the Summit on that day, so I'd like to avoid. Thank you!

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**From:** MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, June 3, 2022 12:28 PM



**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); Kaine, Nathaniel C  
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(b)(6) MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6) HERMAN,  
DANIEL J (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

I appreciate the thoughtfulness that has been laid out here. However, from a public affairs perspective, I think there are some key things not addressed that we should consider:

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Lastly, the press is going to want to hear what the White House thinks of this, and we will need to prepare points that are delivered from the podium at the briefing. The significance of that response

coming from Karine Jean-Pierre – who is of Haitian lineage -- will not be lost on anyone not just because of her, but because of how strongly President Biden spoke out at the time. The points we give them will need to look closer to stating clearly that the investigation found that the claims of whipping were unfounded, backed up by video and photo evidence, as well as by accounts from independent journalists on site, including the one who took the most circulated photographs. POTUS and VPOTUS statements at the time were based on information that suggested whipping occurred, and that's the baseline on which this outcome and their responses to it will be judged. We then need to bolster that by stating very clearly that we cannot and are not tolerating racist language and the weaponization of a horse, even while acknowledging no criminal case, and no whipping took place.

I know these aren't easy questions.

v/r  
Luis.

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**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, June 3, 2022 9:46 AM  
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**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

Copy. Do you have a list of the members/ committees that would be notified? And would they receive a call from someone or an email?

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**From:** KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, June 3, 2022 9:30 AM  
**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6); MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
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We are targeting Weds for rollout and the employees would be notified Tues (along with folks on the hill). We aren't planning a workforce message, had previously discussed some sort of press call but at this point I think we are leaning away from that. The process is still ongoing and we have to be really careful not to have any statements about the actions of the individual agents influence that and have unintended consequences.

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Nat Kaine  
Acting Chief of Staff  
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

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**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
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**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

Thank you, Abby.

On rollout: Do you have a target release date? When are employees notified? Will there be an email message to the workforce or to BP? Do you want to do this with a press call, and if so, who would be able to brief?

We'll run this through appropriate folks here and circle back.

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**From:** SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, June 3, 2022 7:31 AM  
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**Subject:** DRT draft statement

Hi DHS friends -

Attached, please find a draft statement on the Del Rio investigation for release next week.

Please let us know your thoughts / concerns, and add folks as needed. Happy to chat.

Abby

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Can someone share the DHS doc ahead of the 1230?

**From:** REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 12, 2022 3:40 PM  
**To:** CANEGALLO, KRISTIE (b)(6); ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
**Cc:** MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6); PECK, SARAH (b)(6); ULLOA, ISABELLA (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

On it.

**From:** CANEGALLO, KRISTIE (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 12, 2022 3:32 PM  
**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
**Cc:** MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6); REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6); PECK, SARAH (b)(6); ULLOA, ISABELLA (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

+Sarah and Isa

Thanks – Can we start a complementary DHS only doc that includes two options for what our posture would be on roll out day – one with no accountability review announcement and one with. In both cases, whether we would have an S1 statement, how we would respond to q’s around S1 role, etc.

Jeff – seeing Abby’s reference to Tom Naatz, can you ensure that Esec treats this as close hold and it only goes in his book and is not sent around.

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**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 12, 2022 1:42 PM  
**To:** DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6); CANEGALLO, KRISTIE (b)(6)  
**Cc:** MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6); REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

-CBP, +Kristie

I’ll start making edits here: [docx icon CBP Del Rio Horse Patrol Unit Investigation Draft Statement and Rollout v6.4 06102022 DHS.docx](#)

S1 specifically asked for a robust internal comms plan.

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**From:** SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 12, 2022 12:36 PM  
**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); HERMAN, DANIEL J (b)(6); SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6); REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6)  
**Subject:** Re: DRT draft statement

C1 is drafting the internal workforce message himself - he can speak to it tomorrow if helpful

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**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 12, 2022 12:29 PM  
**To:** SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6); MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); HERMAN, DANIEL J (b)(6); SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6)

REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6)

**Subject:** Re: DRT draft statement

Thank you, Abby. Do you have the internal workforce plan and message as well?

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**From:** SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6)

**Sent:** Sunday, June 12, 2022 9:20:11 AM

**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)

**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); HERMAN, DANIEL J (b)(6); SEIDMAN, RICKI (b)(6); REZMOVIC, JEFFREY (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

Hi folks – +Ricki and Jeff. Sending most updated DRT rollout plan for our 1:30 C1/S1 discussion tomorrow. Note dates are tentative.

I'll send this up to Tom Naatz now too.

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**From:** SHENKLE, ABBY

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 8, 2022 11:50 AM

**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)

**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); HERMAN, DANIEL J (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

Not sure if Reese had a chance to send this over yet, see attached for the full rollout plan. Happy to talk through.

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**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)

**Sent:** Sunday, June 5, 2022 10:27 AM

**To:** MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)

**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); HERMAN, DANIEL J (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

Thank you. We'll standby pending CBP FO and C1 review.

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**From:** MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 4, 2022 10:09 PM  
**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); KAINÉ, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); HERMAN, DANIEL J (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

Attached is a revised version with OPA edits on top of Dan's v3 version. I understand some of this is up for discussion, but in the interest of keeping things moving forward this leans in on several message points, goals, and tactics understanding that CBP's front office and C1 still need to review the suggestions.

v/r  
Luis.

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**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 4, 2022 2:27 PM  
**To:** MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); KAINÉ, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); HERMAN, DANIEL J (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

Thank you. Any update on a new draft?

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**From:** MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, June 3, 2022 1:45 PM  
**To:** KAINÉ, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); HERMAN, DANIEL J (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

Roger, Marsha. I'll take a pass at it. To Nat's point on the workforce email, I think we can wait on figuring that out based on how things look as we flesh this plan out. Might be worth a call to think through the scenarios.

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**From:** KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, June 3, 2022 12:49 PM  
**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); HERMAN, DANIEL J (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

We could potentially push a day or maybe two, but not beyond that. The intent for this is to be more of a process/investigation summary than press release, but happy to have you all make adjustments. The investigation itself is long so this is our opportunity to summarize and frame.

Happy to discuss a workforce email but it would be another significant deviation from normal processes and I'm not seeing what we gain from it right now (am also not a comms expert).

—  
Nat Kaine  
Acting Chief of Staff  
U.S. Customs and Border Protection  
(b)(6)

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**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, June 3, 2022 12:43 PM  
**To:** MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); HERMAN, DANIEL J (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

These are all good points. I did not realize that public affairs hadn't weighed in yet, but now makes sense since it doesn't read like a release. Luis- please take a turn at this before sending back. It looks like some of the Q&A is old. I would also suggest an employee email and a tick-tock. Is there a reason behind the Wednesday target, or could it be pushed? POTUS speaks at the Summit on that day, so I'd like to avoid. Thank you!

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**From:** MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, June 3, 2022 12:28 PM  
**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); HERMAN, DANIEL J (b)(6)



DANIEL J (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

I appreciate the thoughtfulness that has been laid out here. However, from a public affairs perspective, I think there are some key things not addressed that we should consider:

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Lastly, the press is going to want to hear what the White House thinks of this, and we will need to prepare points that are delivered from the podium at the briefing. The significance of that response coming from Karine Jean-Pierre – who is of Haitian lineage -- will not be lost on anyone not just because of her, but because of how strongly President Biden spoke out at the time. The points we give them will need to look closer to stating clearly that the investigation found that the claims of whipping were unfounded, backed up by video and photo evidence, as well as by accounts from independent journalists on site, including the one who took the most circulated photographs. POTUS and VPOTUS

statements at the time were based on information that suggested whipping occurred, and that's the baseline on which this outcome and their responses to it will be judged. We then need to bolster that by stating very clearly that we cannot and are not tolerating racist language and the weaponization of a horse, even while acknowledging no criminal case, and no whipping took place.

I know these aren't easy questions.

v/r  
Luis.

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**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, June 3, 2022 9:46 AM  
**To:** KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); SHENKLE, ABBY  
(b)(6); MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER  
**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R  
(b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); HERMAN,  
DANIEL J (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

Copy. Do you have a list of the members/ committees that would be notified? And would they receive a call from someone or an email?

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**From:** KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, June 3, 2022 9:30 AM  
**To:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); SHENKLE, ABBY  
(b)(6); MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER  
**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R  
(b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6); HERMAN,  
DANIEL J (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

We are targeting Weds for rollout and the employees would be notified Tues (along with folks on the hill). We aren't planning a workforce message, had previously discussed some sort of press call but at this point I think we are leaning away from that. The process is still ongoing and we have to be really careful not to have any statements about the actions of the individual agents influence that and have unintended consequences.

—  
Nat Kaine  
Acting Chief of Staff  
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

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**From:** ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, June 3, 2022 9:21 AM  
**To:** SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6); MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: DRT draft statement

Thank you, Abby.  
On rollout: Do you have a target release date? When are employees notified? Will there be an email message to the workforce or to BP? Do you want to do this with a press call, and if so, who would be able to brief?  
We'll run this through appropriate folks here and circle back.

**From:** SHENKLE, ABBY (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Friday, June 3, 2022 7:31 AM  
**To:** MIRANDA, LUIS A (b)(6); ESPINOSA, MARSHA (b)(6); DASKAL, JENNIFER (b)(6)  
**Cc:** MCCRANIE, REESE A (b)(6); KAINE, NATHANIEL C (b)(6); SCHMIDT, PATRICK R (b)(6); MEYER, JONATHAN (b)(6)  
**Subject:** DRT draft statement

Hi DHS friends -

Attached, please find a draft statement on the Del Rio investigation for release next week.

Please let us know your thoughts / concerns, and add folks as needed. Happy to chat.

Abby

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Daily Social Listening Report: June 15, 2022

#### **CONGRESSIONAL AND GOVERNMENTAL TWEETS**

**Rep. Brian Babin** "All they have done is basically stomped on us from the get-go. And they've condemned us on every turn..." God bless our @CBP agents working tirelessly - under an administration that has deserted them - to protect us and our sovereignty!

**Rep. Byron Donalds** U.S. Customs and Border Protection has seized 5,300 pounds of fentanyl so far in FY2022. That is enough fentanyl to kill 2.4 billion people. By trying to open our borders more through repealing Title 42, Biden is showing Americans that he puts this country LAST.

**Rep. Mark Green** Unaccompanied children make this dangerous trek because of our soft on border security approach. When will the Biden White House wake up?

**Rep. Bob Latta** @CBP agents feel unsupported due to the lax immigration policies enacted by the current admin. They are overwhelmed by the sheer number of migrants attempting to illegally cross each month. We must support these agents as they bravely enforce our immigration laws every day.

[LINK](#)

**Rep. August Pfluger** I'm coming up next on @MorningsMaria discussing the Biden Border Crisis. I have talked to CBP. They have told me directly that the system is exhausted. Border Patrol needs support from the Admin and relief in policy. Tune in!

#### **WHIPPING ALLIGATIONS AND CHALLENGE COIN**

**National Police Association** Biden, Harris & DHS Secretary Mayorkas made outrageous false and defamatory allegations of "whipping" illegal aliens against CBP agents. The purported 'administrative violations' are a smokescreen. We filed FOIA requests to disclose the truth. No response. See you in court, DHS. [LINK](#)

**Anna Giaritelli (Washington Examiner)**

[/1](#)/JUST IN: Customs & Border Protection, the federal agency that investigated Border Patrol whipping incident, will fault horse patrol agents for "administrative violations," senior official tells me. Fox News said DHS is doing it. I'm told it's actually CBP. [LINK](#)

/2/ BREAKING: Senior US border official tells me Customs & Border Protection's Office of Professional Responsibility will soon issue administrative violations to Border Patrol horse agents wrongly accused of whipping migrants in Del Rio \*CBP not DHS\* [LINK](#)

[Latino Rebels](#) CBP Says It Will Investigate Origin of Unofficial Coin Showing Border Patrol Agent Chasing Haitian Migrant by @VacaChantal [LINK](#)

[Washington Free Beacon](#) Biden promised last year Border Patrol agents would "pay" for their "horrible" treatment of Haitian migrants. Now facing lawsuits, the admin is arguing that the CBP agents did nothing wrong. Via @RobertSchmad [LINK](#)

[Conservative Tribune](#) The investigation was supposed to last 'days, if not weeks.' It's been nine months. Now, we might have a result. #Bidenadministration #bordercrisis #BorderPatrol #bordersecurity #illegalimmigration #JoeBiden #MaxineWaters #ViralVideo [LINK](#)

#### OTHER

[The Washington Times](#) Biden's DHS dubs border security advocates as 'domestic violent extremists' @WashTimesOpEd [LINK](#)

[Christina Pushaw \(Journalist\)](#) Yes. And border security is a big deal. Especially in places like South Texas, where law abiding Americans (mostly Hispanic) are harmed everyday by the impacts of the lawless & chaotic Biden Border Crisis. Democrats are gaslighting them & calling them slurs. [LINK](#)

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# Public Affairs Daily Wrap

## PRESS TEAM ON INBOX

This Week, June 13 – June 17: Liza Acevedo

This Weekend, June 18 – June 20: Eduardo Silva

## SOCIAL MEDIA TEAM ON CALL

This Week, June 13 – June 17: Erin Waters

This Weekend, June 18 – June 20: Erin Waters

## NOTES FOR MARSHA

- In your inbox for approval:
  - Fox News request on NM Governor letter to S1
- C1 is quoted in Hamed's [LA Times story](#) on the unauthorized CBP challenge coin. From the chain with Luis and Reese, it seems like C1 provided it himself.

- Kristie looped in Beth to help add in an additional Q&A to the UFLPA Strategy rollout. After that is done, Eduardo will move it to the WH.

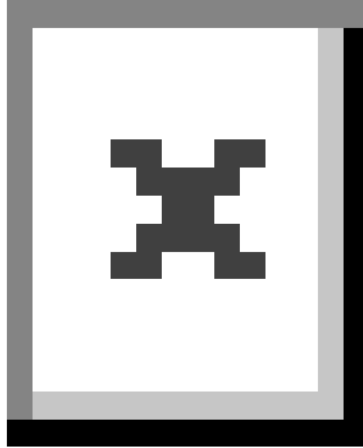
#### IN CLEARANCE

- **With FO:** Preventing Targeted Violence and Terrorism Resources Document, UFLPA rollout materials
- **With WH:** MPP SCOTUS statements

#### TODAY

- Secretary Mayorkas led the Secretary's Awards National Capitol Region Ceremony and the Secretary's Awards ICE Headquarters Ceremony
- Secretary Mayorkas participated in a virtual meeting with philanthropy organizations
- Secretary Mayorkas met with the Italian Minister of the Interior Luciana Lamorgese and DHS issued a readout of the meeting
- DHS released a statement from Secretary Mayorkas on his direction to reform the employee misconduct discipline processes
  - Associated Press: Homeland Security tightens scrutiny of internal misconduct (Ben Fox)
- DHS co-hosted with the Department of Commerce the Space Cybersecurity Symposium III; Assistant Secretary Iranga Kahangama delivered remarks (Open Press)
- CBP conducted a Twitter chat on Global Entry travel
- USCIS Director Jaddou delivered remarks at the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA) Annual Conference on Immigration Law (Open Press)





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- FEMA Deputy Administrator Hooks joined U.S. Sen. Jon Ossoff to brief local leaders on efforts to strengthen disaster preparedness across Coastal Georgia as hurricane season begins (Open Press)
- FEMA Administrator Criswell will participate in a press conference in Montana with the Lt. Governor (Open Press)
  - [Montana Governor Still Missing as State Suffers Historic Floods \(gizmodo.com\)](#)
  - [Gateway towns to Yellowstone become dead ends after flood - ABC News \(go.com\)](#)
  - [U.S. President Biden Approves Montana Disaster Declaration | Mirage News](#)

## FRIDAY

- DHS will roll out the UFLPA Strategy (TENT)
- Secretary Mayorkas will interview with Oscar Haza to discuss the Summit of the Americas and working with partners in the Western Hemisphere on migration

- Secretary Mayorkas will share an employee message for Juneteenth
- Secretary Mayorkas will participate in a virtual briefing on border security and preparedness with HSAC
- Deputy Secretary Tien will record videos for Immigrant Heritage Month and CP3
- Director Jaddou will participate in a naturalization ceremony at Stonewall for Pride Month (Open Press)

#### UPCOMING NATIONAL STORIES

**NYT (Eileen Sullivan)** is working on a story about the politization of disinformation and using the Disinformation Governance Board as an example. She would like to speak to Secretary Mayorkas about the story and is generally looking to file by next week.

**NYT (Christopher Cameron)** let us know he will be writing a short article tonight about the employee misconduct discipline reforms we announced today.

#### TODAY'S INQUIRIES

**Newsy (Stephani Young)** requested an interview with Secretary Mayorkas to discuss border encounters - Eduardo

**NBC News (Victoria Hodge)** is working on a story about recently naturalized U.S. military members' first Independence Day for a July 4th piece. **Liza** is tracking.

**Fox News (Julia Musto)** is working on a story based on a letter sent to S1 by NM Governor Lujan Grisham requesting that the Federal government delay any planned or expected plans to transfer migrants provisionally released from CBP custody to her state. **Eduardo** tracking.

**Reuters (Linda So)** inquired about a letter that Senators Klobuchar and Durbin sent the Department regarding threats to election workers. **Angelo** flagged for FO, Counselors, PLCY, OLA, and provided our cleared statement on information sharing about the threat environment.

**NBC News (Anna Schechter)** reached out about a story regarding the struggle some Afghan evacuees who arrived through OAW have faced during resettlement. **Angelo**

worked with DOS and HHS so they could address questions about resettlement and benefits.

## NOTABLE CLIPS

### **Washington Post: U.S. border arrests rose to record high in May, data shows (Nick Miroff)**

Immigration arrests along the U.S. southern border rose in May to the highest levels ever recorded, as growing numbers of migrants arrived from Turkey, India, Russia and other nations outside the Western Hemisphere, the latest U.S. Customs and Border Protection figures show. CBP made 239,416 arrests along the Mexico border last month, a 2 percent increase from April, according to the totals. The agency is on pace to exceed 2 million detentions during fiscal 2022, which ends in September, after tallying a record 1.73 million in 2021. May is typically a busy month for illegal border crossings, but the latest figures indicate a diversifying migration wave that presents a significant logistical and political challenge for the Biden administration. Many migrants seeking to reach the United States fly to Mexico. Last month the number of border crossers from India arrested by CBP jumped to 2,438, up 55 percent from April, the latest figures show. Authorities encountered 2,310 border crossers from Turkey, up 51 percent. The number of Russians increased 102 percent, to 3,394. In a statement released late Wednesday, CBP Commissioner Chris Magnus warned migrants of the dangers posed by illegal crossings. "As temperatures start to rise in the summer, human smugglers will continue to exploit vulnerable populations and recklessly endanger the lives of migrants for financial gain," he said. "The terrain along the Southwest Border is extreme, the summer heat is severe, and the miles of desert that migrants must hike after crossing the border are unforgiving." Many of the migrants arriving from outside the Western Hemisphere are not sneaking through the desert, however. After landing in Mexico and traveling to the U.S. border, they typically cross the Rio Grande or walk through gaps in the U.S. barriers, then surrender to U.S. agents and request humanitarian protection, adding to a court backlog of about 400,000 pending asylum cases. CBP figures show border crossers from Mexico, Central America, Cuba and Haiti also continued to arrive in high numbers in May. Authorities detained 19,040 migrants from Colombia, up 45 percent from April, an ally nation the Biden administration describes as one of its most important partners for a regional approach to migration management. For comparison, authorities detained just 408 Colombians during the same period a year ago, in May 2021.

### **Fox News: House Republicans call for briefing on DHS move to discipline Border Patrol agents in 'whip' controversy (Adam Shaw)**

More than two dozen House Republicans are calling for a briefing on moves by the Department of Homeland Security to discipline multiple Border Patrol agents involved in the allegations that they whipped Haitian migrants last year while on horseback. "Disciplining the agents would be an insult to the men and women of the U.S. Border Patrol who work each day to protect our nation in spite of the policies being implemented by the Biden administration," the letter by 26 House Republicans, led by Rep. Andy Biggs, R-Ariz., says. Fox News reported Tuesday that DHS is preparing to discipline "multiple" horseback Border Patrol agents involved in the incident at the U.S.-Mexico border back in September, where some Democrats and immigration

activists incorrectly believed they saw agents whipping Haitian migrants. A federal source told Fox News an announcement on the matter is expected within the coming days. The agents are expected to discipline the agents with "administrative violations" rather than any criminal conduct – which was ruled out by the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) last year. Fox is told that DHS will be putting forward their proposals for discipline to the agents, and the agents will then have a chance to respond and either accept the discipline, or fight it. The controversy began when images circulated on Twitter of the agents in Del Rio trying to block migrants from entering the U.S., and in one case grabbing a migrants' shirt. The controversy escalated as some media outlets and Democratic lawmakers misidentified the agents' split reins, which they use and twirl to control and direct the horse -- and falsely claimed the agents were using "whips" on the migrants. Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas initially backed the agents, but later changed his message, saying that the images "troubled me profoundly" and adding that "one cannot weaponize a horse" against migrants. Mayorkas announced that horses would no longer be used in Del Rio, and the agents were shifted to desk duty pending an investigation into their conduct. He would go on to promise that the investigation would be "completed in days, if not weeks."

**Los Angeles Times: Coins depicting a Border Patrol agent grabbing a Haitian immigrant are investigated (Hamed Aleaziz)**

An agent on horseback leans over, grabbing a man by the shirt as a rein dangles. Now an image mirroring the Sept. 19 photo by Paul Ratje of AFP has appeared on a "challenge coin" typically collected by agents, law enforcement officials and aficionados. "Whipping ass since 1924" is written along the coin's border. The Times obtained photos of the coin. Its other side says "Haitian Invasion" with crossed swords and the words "U.S. Border Patrol," "Horse Patrol Unit" and "deflecting allegations for years." U.S. Customs and Border Protection, which includes the Border Patrol, is investigating whether the coin and a similar one, which have been advertised online, were sold by anyone from the agency. It is unclear who produced the coins or how widely they have been distributed. If the coins are connected to Border Patrol agents, they could become the latest example of what immigrant advocates have said is a prevalence of offensive humor within the ranks, after Facebook posts making fun of dead migrants and lawmakers surfaced in 2019. Some critics have raised the question of racism against Black immigrants. And the head of CBP has strongly denounced the coins. "These coins anger me because the hateful images on them have no place in a professional law enforcement agency," CBP Commissioner Chris Magnus said in a statement. "Those who make or share these deeply offensive coins detract and distract from the extraordinarily difficult and often life-saving work Border Patrol agents do every day across the country." Immigrant advocates were similarly outraged at the coin and the seeming lack of empathy for Haitian migrants it indicates. "I think this is a testament of how embedded anti-Black racism is in the very fabric of the system of our country," said Guerline Jozef, head of the Haitian Bridge Alliance in San Diego. "For people who might be associated with CBP to feel emboldened enough to engrave the likeness of a human being abused or mistreated as a symbol of what the department stands for ... . We see these coins as an endorsement of what happened." "Challenge coins" have long been a part of law enforcement culture, including at the Department of Homeland Security, which includes CBP. They are

generally innocuous, honoring employees or special events, former officials said, and are sometimes exchanged with members of other agencies.

**Washington Post: White House rolls out task force to curb online abuse (Cat Zakrzewski)**

The White House on Thursday launched a task force focused on the prevention of online abuse, marking one of the most significant steps the Biden administration has taken to examine the connection between digital vitriol and violence. The launch fulfills a pledge Biden made on the campaign trail to convene experts to study online sexual harassment, stalking and nonconsensual pornography, as well as the connection between such abuse and mass shootings and violence against women. The long-awaited initiative comes on the heels of massacres in Uvalde, Tex., and Buffalo, which involved attackers with histories of online threats and radicalization. “We continue to see how some acts of mass violence, the most recent included, have followed expressions of online hate and abuse,” said Kamala D. Harris at a White House event Thursday launching the task force. Harris cited previous Washington Post reporting that one girl who observed the Uvalde gunman being threatening on social media said that was just “how online is.” “Think about that,” she said. “Hate has become so common on the internet that as a society, it’s kind of becoming normalized and for users, some might say, unavoidable.” The White House event convened top administration officials, as well as survivors of online harassment and civil society experts. The task force will have 180 days to create a set of policy recommendations for government, as well as recommendations for tech companies, schools and other entities. It will also make recommendations for additional research and increasing support for victims. The group will examine whether existing federal laws are adequate to address the ways technology facilitates gender-based violence and provide recommendations for strengthening these safeguards, according to a White House fact sheet. “For far too many people, the internet is a place of fear,” said Harris. Recommendations from the group will be due near the end of the year, after the midterm elections. Many Democrats have expressed concern that the party may lose their narrow control of Congress during the midterms, complicating any efforts in Congress to implement the panel’s findings by overhauling laws governing the tech industry.

**Politico: FEMA flood program could violate civil rights law (Thomas Frank)**

An investigation by POLITICO's E&E News reveals discrimination against people of color and low-income households. But alleged civil rights violations would be difficult to prove in court. Federal programs that have elevated thousands of U.S. homes above floodwaters may violate civil rights law by shutting out many homeowners who are Black or Hispanic or who have low incomes. The Stafford Act, a 1988 federal law that authorizes the president to send state and local governments aid following disasters, requires that federal funds be spent equitably. Yet E&E News revealed in a yearlong investigation published last month that the Federal Emergency Management Agency spent disproportionate amounts of money elevating homes in communities that are wealthy or overwhelmingly white. The pattern is largely the result of federal prerequisites that are biased against Black, Hispanic and low-income households. “These policies are absolutely a violation of the Stafford Act’s nondiscrimination clause. There’s quite obviously a massive disparate impact on the basis of race, national origin and ethnicity,” said Madison Sloan, a lawyer and director of disaster recovery at Texas Appleseed, a racial justice

group. Advocates said FEMA could address the discrimination by revising how it decides whether a flood protection project makes financial sense — a process that favors expensive homes. “FEMA should be prioritizing projects that protect the largest number of people and the largest number of homes, and not the homes that are worth the most,” Sloan said. FEMA press secretary Jeremy Edwards didn’t respond directly to questions about the agency’s alleged violation of civil rights provisions. But he said FEMA is analyzing ways to help disadvantaged communities win FEMA mitigation grants, and added that the agency will begin this year prioritizing communities with high rates of poverty, large minority populations and other indicators of vulnerability to disasters. “We understand that the reality of underserved communities creates barriers to access programs and assistance equally,” Edwards said in an email yesterday, adding that FEMA Administrator Deanne Criswell “recognizes this profound injustice.” The Stafford Act has an unusually strong civil rights provision that protects a wide range of people from both intentional discrimination in the distribution of disaster funds and inadvertent discrimination caused by seemingly benign policies, said Hannah Perls, a lawyer with Harvard Law School’s Environmental & Energy Law Program. Despite those protections, discrimination cases against FEMA face daunting challenges, in part because the agency can claim that it selects grant recipients without knowing their race or income levels. FEMA does not track those details. “One of the things Congress was hoping to prevent were these facially neutral policies that result in disparate impacts on protected groups,” said Perls, who wrote an influential paper last year on the Stafford Act and equity.

**Associated Press: New Mexico governor concerned with potential migrant influx (Susan Montoya Brown)**

New Mexico’s Democratic governor is asking that the Biden administration delay planned or expanded efforts to transport migrants to her state if pandemic-related restrictions on asylum seekers are lifted. The federal government has predicted a threefold increase in border crossings if that happens, and first-term Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham said Tuesday an influx of migrants would dramatically affect the border state’s capacity to provide ongoing humanitarian assistance to thousands of New Mexico residents displaced by historic wildfires this spring. She outlined her concerns in a letter sent to Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas.

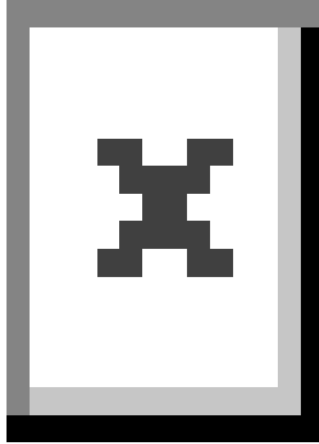
**Washington Times: 15 people on terror watch list were captured sneaking across the southern border in May (Stephen Dinan)**

Border Patrol agents recorded nabbing 15 illegal immigrants in May whose names popped a flag in Homeland Security’s terrorism screening database, according to data released by Homeland Security this week that showed the free-for-all at the southern border continues unabated. All told, 50 people on the terrorism watchlist have been apprehended by agents as they sneaked in through the southern border this fiscal year. As of April, it was just 35. The numbers were part of a late-night press release Wednesday, which showed overall encounters with illegal immigrants hitting new records in the Biden administration, with 239,416 people nabbed — 222,646 of them caught by Border Patrol agents as they sneaked across, and the rest by officers at ports of entry.

**Associated Press: Homeland Security tightens scrutiny of internal misconduct (Ben Fox)**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Employees accused of misconduct at the Department of Homeland Security could face more stringent penalties under an overhaul announced Thursday that follows complaints about the handling of internal discipline in the third largest U.S. government agency. DHS said it will centralize serious misconduct investigations instead of allowing them to be handled by components of a sprawling organization that includes Customs and Border Protection, the Transportation Security Administration, the Secret Service and the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The new procedures are the result of a review ordered by Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas in April after reports revealed that thousands of employees had experienced sexual harassment and misconduct and that some DHS components paid settlements without penalizing or even investigating the perpetrators. “The deeply concerning reports this spring underscored the need for urgent action to prevent and address harassment and other misconduct in the workplace,” Mayorkas said in a statement outlining the changes. Some of the changes to the internal disciplinary procedures, Mayorkas said, have already been put in place while others will occur in the coming months after consultations with the various unions representing an agency that has about 230,000 employees. A key aspect of the changes will be to make the response to allegations of misconduct as well as the potential penalties more uniform across DHS, the agency said. Employees found to have committed some kind of misconduct, which can include such behavior as theft, sexual harassment or abusing people detained by the law enforcement components, have typically faced a broad range of potential penalties. The penalties will be more specifically spelled out and the range narrowed under the new policy to create a “more accurate system of accountability,” a senior DHS official said. In some cases, when the potential range has been too broad, the penalty for misconduct has been “inadequate,” said the official, speaking on condition of anonymity to discuss the policy changes ahead of their release. The agency didn’t specify how the changes would affect individual components, because there is a wide spectrum in how each now handles allegations of misconduct. But the official acknowledged that the new policy would address criticism of Customs and Border Protection.

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#### CONGRESSIONAL AND GOVERNMENTAL TWEETS

**Rep Cliff Bentz** Biden puts @VP in charge of "root causes." Harris says in just 5 months they've made progress. Sec. Mayorkas claims the border is "effectively managed." CBP reports over 1.5 MILLION illegal crossings so far in FY22, with new May numbers. What is this admin. doing?

**Rep Andy Biggs** Biden's Department of Homeland Security says they have our southern border under "operational control." New border figures say otherwise. Monthly encounters for May just came out and they have soared to nearly 240K—the highest monthly total in American history

**Senator Mike Braun** Glad to see these pills off the streets before they could kill Americans. As our Border Patrol are stretched to their breaking point due to our unsecured border, how much of this poison is getting through? [LINK](#)

**Rep. Andrew Clyde** BIDEN BORDER CRISIS Last month, **CBP** faced a record-breaking 239,416 illegal migrant encounters at the southern border. Yet DHS Sec. Mayorkas claims the Administration has "operational control" of the border. Unreal. Mayorkas must be impeached.

**Senator John Cornyn** The National Police Association Sues DHS and CBP Over Alleged Ongoing Abuse of Border Patrol Agents Falsely Accuse... [LINK](#)

**Rep. Pat Fallon** May saw the highest total of illegal immigrant encounters in DHS history -- 239,416. Meanwhile this Administration is considering ending several **CBP** careers over a FALSE story. Stop the lies -- support our agents & secure our border!!

**Rep Chuck Fleishmann** May saw the highest monthly total of illegal immigrants crossing the border EVER in DHS history. Meanwhile, the Biden Admin continues to villainize ICE and CBP, wants to rescind Title 42, and continue their failed open border policies. Americans deserve a secure border.

#### **Chad Gilmartin (GOP Comms Leader)**

1/ BIDEN'S OPEN BORDER: 239,416 illegal border encounters in May — the WORST month on record #BidenBorderCrisis

2/ 2,975,135 \*known\* illegal border encounters — so far — under the Biden-Harris administration, plus THOUSANDS of daily "got-aways" who evade apprehension This is an unprecedented, historic FAILURE allowed by Joe Biden's radical open borders agenda

**Rep Glenn Grothman** While @DHSgov claims they have "operational control" of the border, May marked the third consecutive month @CBP encountered more than 200,000 illegal border crossers. When will Biden take action against this crisis of human trafficking and drug smuggling

**Rep John Joyce** In May, our Border Patrol Agents made over 239,000 apprehensions at the southern border. It's time for Congress to provide the funding we need to end this crisis and stop the flow of deadly drugs into our country.

**Rep. Mike Kelly** Border security = national security [LINK](#)

**Rep. Young Kim** The Biden administration is storing tools that we could be using to support our border patrol, and taxpayers are paying for it. It's past time to get serious about border security! [LINK](#)

**Rep Kevin McCarthy** A record-shattering number of illegal crossings last month: 239,416 Our border is WIDE OPEN, and the Democrats in power are doing nothing to stop the crisis.

**Rep. Lisa McClain** Border Security= National Security

**Ashley Moody (FL Attorney General)** First, [@JoeBiden](#) created the border crisis. Then, Mayorkas lied about the admin's policies causing the chaos. Now, [@DHSgov](#) may punish CBP agents for simply doing their jobs. Typical of this admin—demoralize and weaken those trying to enforce the law. [LINK](#)

**Rep August Pfluger** NEW: [@CBP](#) reporting 239,416 illegal migrant encounters in May. The HIGHEST one-month total EVER, and a 300% increase over the average number of May apprehensions under the Trump Admin. We must restore law & order at our border.

**Rep Lucille Roybal-Allard** I am concerned with the well-being of the migrants at our border.

[@AppropsDems](#) and I are holding a markup now to advance a bill that invests in desperately needed change and will improve conditions at holding facilities. Join us, now.

**Senator Rick Scott** [.@CBP](#) encountered a RECORD 239,416 migrants trying to illegally cross our border in May. [@JoeBiden](#)'s failed open border & amnesty policies are laying out a welcome mat for human traffickers & drug cartels. This must end. Biden needs to secure the border NOW

**Rep. Elise Stefanik** The historic [#BidenBorderCrisis](#) set ANOTHER monthly record in May with 239,416 illegal crossings of our southern border. Joe Biden's reckless open-border policies are endangering our communities. Border security IS national security. [LINK](#)

**Rep Tom Tiffany** Another record-setting month for illegal border crossings as the Biden-induced tidal wave of foreign migrants continues to flood American communities [LINK](#)

**Rep Randy Webber** 239,416 illegal border encounters in May - the most encounters EVER documented. President Biden needs to wake up and stop ignoring the very real, very dangerous situation at our southern border

**House Appropriations Dems** It is vital that Congress makes smart and effective investments in border security. Join now as Homeland Chair [@RepRoybalAllard](#) leads markup of [@AppropsDems 2023](#) Homeland Security funding bill: [LINK](#)

#### **House Homeland GOP**

**/1/**Our Border Patrol agents are working tirelessly to manage the record-breaking surge at the border but are being overrun by the results of Biden's reckless open border policies.

[#BidenBorderCrisis](#) [@BPUnion](#)

**/2/**[@RepJohnKatko](#) is demanding [@DHSgov](#) and [@CBP](#) release the report of their investigation into the Del Rio horse patrol unit agents.

**House Republicans** The [#BidenBorderCrisis](#) is continuing to worsen under Biden's open-border policies. Last month, our southern border had 239,416 illegal crossings, which is the 15th straight month of encounters OVER 150,000. It's past time to [#SecureTheBorder](#).

**NRCC CBP** reports a record 239,416 migrant encounters at the US-Mexico border in May, the highest monthly total in DHS history. Record numbers of illegal migrants are pouring into the country because of Biden's immigration policies. [#BidenBorderCrisis](#) [LINK](#)

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**Bill Melugin (Fox News)**

1/ BREAKING: There were an unprecedented 239,416 migrant encounters at the Southern border in May, CBP reports. This is the highest monthly total in DHS history, beating the record that was set the month before in April w/ 234,088. Only 100,699 (42%) expelled via Title 42.  
@FoxNews

2/ There were 14,699 unaccompanied minors at the border in May, a 21% increase over April, which was 12,180. There have been over 100,000 unaccompanied children encountered at the Southern border since October 1st, enough to fill University of Alabama football stadium.  
@FoxNews

**Real America's Voice** Rep. @DesJarlaisTN04 said that food stamps are going to most people who are crossing the southern border, despite denials from Democrats

**Aaron Reichlin-Melnick** (American Immigration Council) In March 2000, when there were ~8,500 Border Patrol agents and less than half of crossers were arrested, there were 220,063 apprehensions. Last month, with 17,000 agents and a CBP "interdiction rate" around ~75-80%, there were 222,652 apprehensions. This is not unprecedented.

**Bill Melugin (Fox News)** Next week will mark one year since VP Kamala Harris declared "extreme progress" was being made at the border. CBP reports over 1.5 million illegal crossings in FY'22 so far (Oct-May), that's up 65% over same time in record setting FY'21. May numbers set new record.  
@FoxNews

**Bill Melugin (Fox News)** NEW: Per CBP sources, there have been 440,000 known gotaways at the border since FY'22 began on October 1st. DHS reports 390,000 known gotaways in all of FY'21. There have now been over 800,000 gotaways since beginning of FY'21. That's bigger than population of Seattle.  
@FoxNews

**CBS News** May's tally of migrant arrests surpassed the previous monthly record U.S. Border Patrol set in March 2000, when the agency recorded 220,000 apprehensions. [LINK](#)

**Bob Price (Breitbart)** Overwhelmed West Texas Border Sector Faces Spike in Unaccompanied Migrant Children [LINK](#)

**Adam Isacson (WOLA)** Migrants apprehended by US authorities at the US-Mexico border, from March to May: Largest percentage increases: Haiti, Brazil, Ecuador Largest percentage decreases: Ukraine, Cuba, Mexico Colombia jumps to fifth place for the first time, virtually tied with Honduras.

**Camilo Montoya-Galvez (CBS)**

1/ NEW — U.S. Border Patrol agents along the southern border recorded in May an all-time monthly high in apprehensions, processing migrants over 222,000 times amid a historic migration event. More on @CBSNews: [LINK](#)

2/ The statistics published tonight show the unprecedented levels of migrant arrivals recorded along the US-Mexico border over the past year under President Biden have only continued to intensify, posing major humanitarian, logistical and political challenges for his administration

3/ May's historic tally of border apprehensions was, in part, driven by record arrivals of Colombian and Nicaraguan migrants, high numbers of Cuban asylum-seekers continuing to reach the Mexican border and a sharp increase in Haitians entering U.S. immigration custody

4/ One of the most striking demographic changes was the 98% drop in Ukrainians. In April, CBP processed 20,000 Ukrainians, the vast majority of whom were allowed to enter the U.S. on humanitarian grounds. After that process ended on April 25, CBP processed 375 Ukrainians in May

**Kristine Frazao (Sinclair Broadcast Group)** CBP numbers are out for the month of May. 239,416 encounters along the southwest land border, a 2% increase compared to April

**Anna Giaritelli (Washington Examiner)** NEW: In Biden's 16 full months in office, U.S. officials have encountered 2.975 million people, some of whom tried more than once U.S. border officials intercepted 239,416 migrants attempting to enter the country without permission in May @dceaminer [LINK](#)

**Bill Melugin (Fox News)** NEW: CBP &ICE released 95,318 illegal immigrants into the U.S. in May, according to a new DHS court filing. @FoxNews

**Heritage Foundation** CBP recorded more than 239,000 apprehensions in May, the highest monthly number ever recorded. But since taking office, @SecMayorkas has continued to defend his and Joe Biden's open-borders policies. Let's go to the tape...#BidenBorderCrisis

**Nick Miroff (Washington Post)**

/1/ NEW - Immigration arrests along the Mexico border reached a new record high in May, new CBP data show, with a big jump in number of migrants from Turkey, India, Russia, Colombia, Nicaragua [LINK](#)

/2/ The Northern Triangle countries targeted by VP Harris's "Root Causes Strategy" accounted for only 21 percent of migrants taken into CBP custody last month. The leaders of those countries skipped the Summit of the Americas in Los Angeles last week, whose focus was migration.

### **TERROR WATCH LIST APPREHENSIONS**

**Washington Examiner** Border Patrol agents recorded nabbing 15 illegal immigrants in May whose names popped a flag in Homeland Security's terrorism screening database, according to data released by Homeland Security this week that showed the free-for-all at the southern... [LINK](#)

### **TITLE 42**

**Julia Ainsley (NBC News)** According to a new report by Human Rights First, Title 42 has led to 10,318 reports of murder, kidnapping, rape, torture, and other violent attacks against people blocked in or expelled to Mexico since the month Biden took office. [LINK](#)

### **CROWDED USBP FACILITIES**

**Julia Preston (Marshall Project)** Since 2017, 1 of 3 migrants held in crowded Border Patrol facilities was a minor — a far bigger share than has been reported, according to analysis of unpublished official records, by me + @AnnaFlagg @MarshallProj W/ @POLITICOMag: [LINK](#)

### **HAITIAN MIGRANTS / CHALLENGE COIN**

**Adam Shaw (Fox News)** NEW w/@BillFOXLA and @peterjhasson: Border Patrol agents are furious after it has emerged that DHS is set to discipline multiple agents who were falsely accused of whipping Haitian migrants in Del Rio last year. [LINK](#)

**MSNBC** How a racist collector's item gained popularity among Border Patrol agents. [LINK](#)

### **UFLPA**

**National Law Review** #CBP Issues Operational #Importer Guidance Relating to #UFLPA @GulchehraHoja [LINK](#)

### **BORDER INFRASTRUCTURE**

**KGNS News** A local environmentalist calls hearing the news of the Texas Attorney General demanding to build the border wall, "not surprising." [LINK](#)

**Jason Buch (independent journalist)** CBP says "there is no construction plan" for a wall in Laredo. DOJ says the project "remains in the plans, on the books." Landowners, who recently received notice of an environmental assessment for 69 miles of border fencing, don't know who to believe. [LINK](#)

### **WORLD CUP 2026 SECURITY**

**Zito Madu (freelance journalist)** "What CBP and ICE engage in at major sporting events, and will engage in at the World Cup, is widespread fear mongering, harassment, apprehension and deportation..." [LINK](#)

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Good evening, Secretary,

**BLUF:** AP did a fair write up on the accountability statement and we expect NYT to write as well. The BP challenge coin and the Del Rio investigation continue to receive interest.

**TODAY**

- • We will promote the Secretary's Awards ceremony internally and externally.
- • We issued a readout from your meeting with the Italian Minister of the Interior Luciana Lamorgese.
- • DHS released a statement from Secretary Mayorkas on his direction to reform the employee misconduct discipline processes
  - • Associated Press: Homeland Security tightens scrutiny of internal misconduct (Ben Fox)

- • FEMA Administrator Criswell participated in a press conference in Montana with the Lt. Governor
  - • [Montana Governor Still Missing as State Suffers Historic Floods \(gizmodo.com\)](#)
  - • [Gateway towns to Yellowstone become dead ends after flood - ABC News \(go.com\)](#)
  - • [U.S. President Biden Approves Montana Disaster Declaration | Mirage News](#)

## TOMORROW

- • DHS will roll out the UFLPA Strategy (TENT)
- • S1 Interview: Oscar Haza (via Zoom)
- • Director Jaddou will participate in a naturalization ceremony at Stonewall for Pride Month (Open Press)

## UPCOMING NATIONAL STORIES

- • **NYT (Eileen Sullivan)** is working on a story about the politization of disinformation and using the Disinformation Governance Board as an example.

## NOTABLE CLIPS

### **Associated Press:** [Homeland Security tightens scrutiny of internal misconduct \(Ben Fox\)](#)

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### **Washington Post:** [U.S. border arrests rose to record high in May, data shows \(Nick Miroff\)](#)

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border crossings, but the latest figures indicate a diversifying migration wave that presents a significant logistical and political challenge for the Biden administration.

**Fox News: House Republicans call for briefing on DHS move to discipline Border Patrol agents in 'whip' controversy (Adam Shaw)**

More than two dozen House Republicans are calling for a briefing on moves by the Department of Homeland Security to discipline multiple Border Patrol agents involved in the allegations that they whipped Haitian migrants last year while on horseback. "Disciplining the agents would be an insult to the men and women of the U.S. Border Patrol who work each day to protect our nation in spite of the policies being implemented by the Biden administration," the letter by 26 House Republicans, led by Rep. Andy Biggs, R-Ariz., says. Fox News reported Tuesday that DHS is preparing to discipline "multiple" horseback Border Patrol agents involved in the incident at the U.S.-Mexico border back in September, where some Democrats and immigration activists incorrectly believed they saw agents whipping Haitian migrants. A federal source told Fox News an announcement on the matter is expected within the coming days.

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Buffalo, which involved attackers with histories of online threats and radicalization. “We continue to see how some acts of mass violence, the most recent included, have followed expressions of online hate and abuse,” said Kamala D. Harris at a White House event Thursday launching the task force. Harris cited previous Washington Post reporting that one girl who observed the Uvalde gunman being threatening on social media said that was just “how online is.” “Think about that,” she said. “Hate has become so common on the internet that as a society, it’s kind of becoming normalized and for users, some might say, unavoidable.” The White House event convened top administration officials, as well as survivors of online harassment and civil society experts. The task force will have 180 days to create a set of policy recommendations for government, as well as recommendations for tech companies, schools and other entities. It will also make recommendations for additional research and increasing support for victims.

**Politico: FEMA flood program could violate civil rights law (Thomas Frank)**

An investigation by POLITICO's E&E News reveals discrimination against people of color and low-income households. But alleged civil rights violations would be difficult to prove in court. Federal programs that have elevated thousands of U.S. homes above floodwaters may violate civil rights law by shutting out many homeowners who are Black or Hispanic or who have low incomes. The Stafford Act, a 1988 federal law that authorizes the president to send state and local governments aid following disasters, requires that federal funds be spent equitably. Yet E&E News revealed in a yearlong investigation published last month that the Federal Emergency Management Agency spent disproportionate amounts of money elevating homes in communities that are wealthy or overwhelmingly white. The pattern is largely the result of federal prerequisites that are biased against Black, Hispanic and low-income households. FEMA press secretary Jeremy Edwards didn't respond directly to questions about the agency's alleged violation of civil rights provisions. But he said FEMA is analyzing ways to help disadvantaged communities win FEMA mitigation grants, and added that the agency will begin this year prioritizing communities with high rates of poverty, large minority populations and other indicators of vulnerability to disasters. “We understand that the reality of underserved communities creates barriers to access programs and assistance equally,” Edwards said in an email yesterday, adding that FEMA Administrator Deanne Criswell “recognizes this profound injustice.”

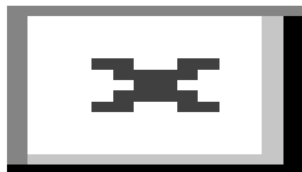
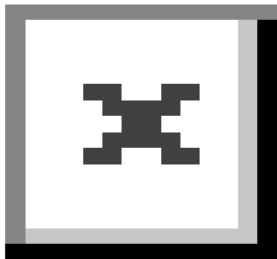
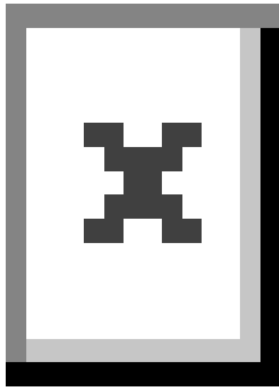
**Associated Press: New Mexico governor concerned with potential migrant influx (Susan Montoya Brown)**

New Mexico's Democratic governor is asking that the Biden administration delay planned or expanded efforts to transport migrants to her state if pandemic-related restrictions on asylum seekers are lifted. The federal government has predicted a threefold increase in border crossings if that happens, and first-term Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham said Tuesday an influx of migrants would dramatically affect the border state's capacity to provide ongoing humanitarian assistance to thousands of New Mexico residents displaced by historic wildfires this spring. She outlined her concerns in a letter sent to Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas.

**Washington Times: 15 people on terror watch list were captured sneaking across the southern border in May (Stephen Dinan)**

Border Patrol agents recorded nabbing 15 illegal immigrants in May whose names popped a flag in Homeland Security's terrorism screening database, according to data released by Homeland Security this week that showed the free-for-all at the southern border continues unabated. All told, 50 people on the terrorism watchlist have been apprehended by agents as they sneaked in through the southern border this fiscal year. As of April, it was just 35. The numbers were part of a late-night press release Wednesday, which showed overall encounters with illegal immigrants hitting new records in the Biden administration, with 239,416 people nabbed — 222,646 of them caught by Border Patrol agents as they sneaked across, and the rest by officers at ports of entry.

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June 22, 2022

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Hi Emily –

Please see the attached letter from Congressman Chip Roy and colleagues to Secretary Mayorkas

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,  
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Regards,

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The Honorable Merrick Garland  
Attorney General of the United States  
U.S. Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
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Dear Secretary Mayorkas and Attorney General Garland:

Thomas Jefferson wrote: “Religion is a private affair between every man and his Maker, and no tribunal or third party has a right to interfere between them.” Americans should not have to fear for their safety when they go to church. Therefore, the recent threats that left-wing extremists are making against houses of worship are deeply concerning.

According to a source described as “highly informed”, the Department of Homeland Security has already notified Catholic bishops that there are credible threats to the security of churches, clergy, and the bishops themselves should the Supreme Court overturn *Roe v. Wade*.<sup>1</sup> These threats are very troubling and demand the Department’s full attention. What steps are the Department of Justice and the Department of Homeland Security taking to interdict threats against churches and to protect congregations in light of reports that they are under increased threat of terrorist attacks from pro-abortion extremist groups?

Since the unprecedented leak of the draft opinion in the *Dobbs* case last month, there have already been a number of concerning incidents involving protesters at Catholic churches.<sup>2</sup> The most well-publicized of these were carried out on behalf of “Ruth Sent Us,” a far-left group that is dedicated to launching protests against Supreme Court Justices who may vote to overturn *Roe*. In response to the *Dobbs* leak, Ruth Sent Us called on abortion advocates to disrupt Catholic Masses on Mother’s Day.<sup>3</sup>

Accordingly, Mother’s Day weekend saw multiple instances of disturbances during religious services, including the disruption of Mass just prior to Holy Communion at a church in Los Angeles by protesters donned in red gowns and large white hats<sup>4</sup>. Similarly, protesters disrupted a church service in Seattle by laying on the cathedral steps covered with fake blood, in reference to

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so-called “coat hanger” abortions<sup>5</sup>. That weekend, vandals also graffitied a parish in Colorado with pro-abortion and anarchist symbols while splattering red paint on a bronze statue of the Virgin Mary and Jesus.<sup>6</sup> In New York City, pro-abortion demonstrators from the Democratic Socialists of America disrupted a high-profile pro-life gathering, heckling a Franciscan friar while a woman dressed in a stuffed bathing suit, mimicking pregnancy, danced in front of the church while pretending to abort baby dolls, screaming “I’m killing the babies!”<sup>7</sup> Alarming, the church’s pastor, Father Brian Graebe, stated that the church had received a number of bomb and arson threats and that both the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the New York Police Department (NYPD) had been reviewing threats to the basilica following the event, with the latter agency warning that they would be unable to guarantee the safety of parishioners.<sup>8</sup>

These incidents have continued since the leak. On May 22, the Archdiocese of Seattle confirmed that one of its parishes was vandalized with the words “Abort the church” spray-painted on a wall, along with other pro-abortion messages.<sup>9</sup> A local anarchist group claimed credit for the vandalism. At St. Augustine Catholic Church in Brooklyn, thieves stole a gold tabernacle worth \$2 million and threw the Holy Eucharist housed inside of it all over the altar. These thieves then beheaded and destroyed angel statues located on the sides of the tabernacle.<sup>10</sup> Similarly, St. Bartholomew Catholic Church in Texas reported the theft of a golden tabernacle on May 9. Authorities later found the damaged receptacle outside a Burger King, having been pilfered of its consecrated host.<sup>11</sup> Theft and vandalism have also occurred at parishes in New York, Florida, and Washington State.<sup>12</sup>

Disturbingly, these acts of vandalism and intimidation were perpetrated even before the Court ruled. Now that the Court has rendered an opinion in the *Dobbs* case that is unfavorable to abortion advocates, it is not unthinkable that these attacks will escalate to a potentially dangerous level. This is an urgent matter that demands your full attention. Therefore, we ask that you provide answers to the following questions:

1. What specific information do you have regarding threats to churches? What are you doing to ensure the safety of churches, clergy, bishops, and congregations?
2. Are there any grants administered by either the Department of Justice or the Department of Homeland Security for which churches are eligible that they can use for security purposes? Have you been proactive in reaching out to churches that may be at increased risk of attack?

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<sup>5</sup> <https://www.thecatholictelegraph.com/update-on-unrest-tabernacle-stolen-catholic-church-defaced-pregnancy-clinic-vandalized/81027>

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<sup>7</sup> <https://www.foxnews.com/us/nyc-church-abortion-protesters>

<sup>8</sup> <https://www.foxnews.com/media/nyc-catholic-church-threats-bomb-burn-abortion-protests>

<sup>9</sup> <https://www.catholicworldreport.com/2022/05/31/analysis-catholic-church-attacks-multiply-following-supreme-court-leak/>

<sup>10</sup> <https://www.christianpost.com/news/thieves-steal-2m-tabernacle-from-church-behead-angel-statues.html>

<sup>11</sup> <https://aleteia.org/2022/05/13/tabernacle-stolen-from-texas-church-found-at-burger-king/>

<sup>12</sup> <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/251421/analysis-catholic-church-attacks-multiply-following-supreme-court-leak>

3. What is the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Justice doing to interdict threats against churches and to protect clergy and congregants?

Given the release of the *Dobbs* decision, we request that you provide answers to these questions no later than June 30th. We look forward to your response and how Congress can secure the safety of religious facilities and people of faith. Thank you.

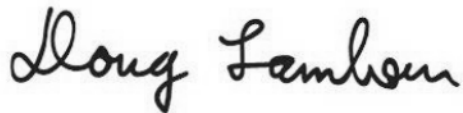
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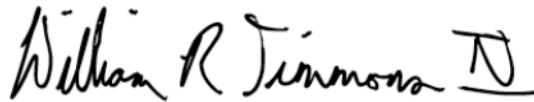
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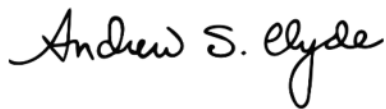
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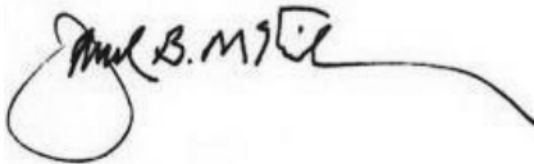
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June 24, 2022

Alejandro Mayorkas  
Secretary of Homeland Security  
Department of Homeland Security  
2702 Martin Luther King Jr Ave SE  
Washington DC 201528-0525

**RECEIVED**

**By ESEC at 2:37 pm, Jun 24, 2022**

Re: Humanitarian Parole Application – Receipt Number IOE0916168929

Dear Secretary Mayorkas,

**We are writing in support of the humanitarian parole application of Alfateh Younous Haroun.** Mr. Haroun seeks to come to the U.S. so that he can accept an award from the Clooney Foundation for Justice, where we serve as Co-Presidents. The award will be given at a high-profile event called the Albie Awards on September 29, 2022 at the New York Public Library. **The Albie Awards will be co-chaired by us along with Darren Walker, President of the Ford Foundation.**

Mr. Haroun is a key member of iACT, a groundbreaking international organization that works alongside survivors of genocide and other mass atrocities to support of refugee communities. iACT worked with the Clooney Foundation for Justice to interview survivors from Darfur, Sudan, who have been in refugee camps in Chad for over a decade. Using this evidence, Amal Clooney represented over 100 survivors in a trial of a militia leader at the International Criminal Court on charges of crimes against humanity.

Mr. Haroun has strong ties to his community in Chad. He has served as the iACT program coordinator in eastern Chad since 2010. He oversees iACT's sports, education, leadership, nutrition, and livelihood programs across eleven refugee camps in eastern Chad. He is in charge of scaling iACT's Refugees United Soccer Academy and Little Ripples programs and serves as an advisor to humanitarian organizations. Before becoming a refugee, he was an accounts manager and traditional leader in his village in Darfur, Sudan. Since becoming a refugee in 2003, he has served as a primary school and English teacher, and has maintained his traditional leadership role as *oumda* for his community in camp Goz Amer. He has a wife and children in Chad who will not be joining him on his two-week trip to the U.S.

Both iACT and the Clooney Foundation for Justice are U.S.-based 501(c)(3) non-profits. The Clooney Foundation for Justice is booking and paying for Mr. Haroun's travel to come to the United States for this event.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions. We can be reached at [pl@amalclooney.co.uk](mailto:pl@amalclooney.co.uk).

Best,

George Clooney  
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June 24, 2022

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**RECEIVED**  
**By ESEC at 1:35 pm, Jun 24, 2022**

Dear Secretary Blinken and Secretary Mayorkas,

Ensuring the security and dignity of every American citizen and resident – both at home and abroad – is one of the most important responsibilities of the United States and a sacred duty entrusted to our elected officials. With this in mind, I write to you to express my concern regarding reports of discriminatory treatment of American passport holders by the Government of Israel.

In February of this year, Israel’s Coordinating Office for Government Affairs in the Territories (COGAT), the Israeli Defense Ministry’s military occupation administration responsible for issuing orders and policies concerning entry of foreign nationals to the occupied Palestinian territories, published a 97-page ordinance entitled Procedure for Entry and Residence for Foreigners in Judea and Samaria Area that creates entry restrictions and requirements for Americans wishing to visit, do business, reunite and reside with their Palestinian families, work or volunteer in those parts of the occupied West Bank under Palestinian Authority (PA) civil and security administration, or study or teach at Palestinian academic institutions. The new entry rules restrict the entry of certain American travelers seeking entry to the occupied West Bank and keep data on any vested or non-vested property they may have there. Given that Israel is seeking admission to the U.S. Visa Waiver Program (VWP) which requires Israel to extend the same treatment to American passport holders as Israeli nationals receive at U.S. ports of entry this behavior is concerning.

The Department of State’s International Travel Information for Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territory contains documentation of the Israeli government’s discriminatory entry regime. It notes that U.S. citizens, especially those on the Palestinian Population Registry, are not allowed to freely enter Israel and/or enter via the primary airport, Ben Gurion Airport. It specifically states that “Individuals registered in the Palestinian Authority population registry, including those whom Israeli authorities believe may have a claim to a Palestinian ID card, are prohibited from entering Israel without advance permission, regardless of other nationality, including U.S. citizenship, or place of residence.” I am personally aware of constituents – American citizens – in my district who have been denied entry while trying to visit family in the West Bank.

The current government of Israel’s policies place the country outside the requirements incumbent on all countries to join the Visa Waiver Program, which include, among other things, having “reciprocal privileges to citizens and nationals of the United States.” Unless the Israeli government ends this treatment of American citizens at its borders, it difficult to see how they would qualify for the Visa Waiver Program. Israel’s inclusion in the program would represent an endorsement of travel discrimination against American citizens by the federal government.

In 2014, Congress passed the United States-Israel Strategic Partnership Act of 2014, which states that Israel can only gain entry to the Visa Waiver Program “when Israel satisfies, and as long as Israel continues to satisfy, the requirements for inclusion in such program specified in such section.” The clear legislative intent of this law is to protect U.S. Citizens from discrimination by ensuring that Israel is not singled out for special treatment and allowed to join the Visa Waiver Program while continuing its discriminatory policies.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ron Kind". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ron Kind  
Member of Congress

# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

June 24, 2022

## VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

The Honorable Merrick Garland  
Attorney General of the United States  
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The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas  
Secretary  
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**RECEIVED**

**By ESEC at 2:50 pm, Jun 24, 2022**

Dear Attorney General Garland and Secretary Mayorkas:

This morning, the Supreme Court released its decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, which overturns *Roe v. Wade*. Over the past few weeks, in the wake of the unprecedented leak of a draft Supreme Court opinion, there has been a disturbing rise in threats against Supreme Court Justices and the Court itself. Justices have had their addresses published online, have been subjected to illegal pressure campaigns at their family homes, and one Justice was even the victim of an attempted assassination.

These violent extremists are only trying to make this volatile situation worse. This past week throughout Washington, D.C., the nationwide extremist group, Jane's Revenge, has promised a "NIGHT OF RAGE" in the event the Supreme Court should overturn *Roe v. Wade*. Now that the Court has decided to overturn *Roe*, we must take their words seriously. They assert, "To our oppressors: if abortions aren't safe, you're not either." They urge their followers to "hit the streets" because "you said you'd riot." Their threatening statement from June 14, 2022, called for "open season" against pro-life facilities.

This group has already claimed responsibility for a series of attacks on pro-life organizations throughout the country including at least one fire bombing. While we recognize the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) issued a public awareness report detailing the threat of Jane's Revenge and other abortion-related violent extremists, we remain concerned that the impending violent riots could likely overwhelm law enforcement and create a dangerous environment.

We therefore write to urge you to take all necessary steps to protect the Supreme Court and other likely targets in the event Jane's Revenge or other pro-abortion violent extremists successfully

execute a “NIGHT OF RAGE” with widespread rioting. As you know, the Supreme Court is protected by a dedicated—but small—police force. Given their proximity to the Capitol they frequently coordinate with the Capitol Police. However, the capacity of these specialized law enforcement organizations is limited.

Federal law enforcement from the Justice and Homeland Security Departments must be prepared to protect our judicial branch. As when riots threatened the Hatfield Courthouse in Portland, Oregon, tactical assets from the FBI, the Marshals Service, the Federal Protective Service, and the Border Patrol should be on standby to assist the Supreme Court Police and the Capitol Police in defending the Court from any attack from any organization, including Jane’s Revenge, in the wake of the Supreme Court’s ruling on *Dobbs v. Jackson*.

Please provide us with answers to the following questions as soon as possible.

1. What actions have your departments taken to position tactical assets in such a way that they may be readily deployed in the wake of abortion-related violent extremism expected in the wake of the Supreme Court’s ruling on *Dobbs v. Jackson*?
2. What steps are your departments taking to coordinate with the Supreme Court Police and the Capitol Police in order to respond effectively to abortion-related violent extremism expected in the wake of the Supreme Court’s ruling on *Dobbs v. Jackson*?
3. What analysis has been conducted by your departments to determine whether or not the Supreme Court can be secured following these overt threats of rioting and violent attacks?
4. What analysis has been conducted by your departments to determine whether or not the homes of Supreme Court Justices can be secured?
5. What steps are the FBI and the Office of Intelligence and Analysis taking to monitor and investigate terrorist activity by pro-abortion violent extremists like Jane’s Revenge?

Sincerely,



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Chuck Grassley  
Ranking Member  
Committee on the Judiciary



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Rob Portman  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Homeland Security  
and Governmental Affairs

<b>From:</b>	Fauquet, Stephanie (b)(6)
<b>SentVia:</b>	Blake, Michelle (b)(6)
<b>To:</b>	Marsha Bynum (b)(6)
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<b>Date:</b>	2022/06/27 12:34:00
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<b>Location:</b>	Microsoft Teams Meeting

Hey Marsha, can you please attend this meeting today at 2PM? OLA only has two items in red and they are both new and with the legislative teams. I normally attend because you all are busy but I have a meeting with leadership at 2PM today. Stephanie will call on OLA for our two items around the end of the meeting which should last about 30 minutes. Thanks.

-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** Fauquet, Stephanie (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2021 12:55 PM  
**To:** Fauquet, Stephanie; Component Exec Secs  
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**Subject:** Congressional Correspondence  
**When:** Monday, June 27, 2022 2:00 PM-3:00 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US &Canada).  
**Where:** Microsoft Teams Meeting

Greetings Components!

We just wanted to gather everyone to chat about our open congressional correspondence. Please identify a representative from your component to attend, whether you have open correspondence or not. It is important for every component to be in attendance. Thank you!

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●	Congressional	12/9/21	200	Packaged for S1	6/27/22	CBP	12/23/21	Rep. Katko **CHS**	Write regarding COVID-19 travel requirements.	1224457 / 21-4765	
●	Congressional	9/1/21	299	Packaged for S1	6/27/22	PLCY	9/23/21	Sen. Grassley **Senate Judiciary**	Writes with numerous questions surrounding the ongoing situation in Afghanistan.	1220484 / 21-3917	*Packaged with 1219888 / 21-3096
●	Congressional	8/18/21	313	Packaged for S1	6/27/22	PLCY	9/2/21	Rep. Katko +15 **CHS**	Writes requesting information regarding various components plans to combat terrorist attacks to the homeland in response to the ongoing crisis in Afghanistan.	1220103 / 21-3090	
●	Congressional	8/10/21	321	Packaged for S1	6/27/22	PLCY	8/25/21	Sen. Grassley **Senate Judiciary**	Writes to request information about the ongoing transfer of certain Afghan nationals to Fort Lee, Virginia.	1219888 / 21-3096	*Packaged with 1220484 / 21-3917
●	Congressional	5/25/22	33	Packaged for DCOS/COS	6/15/22	CISA	6/17/22	Sen. Klobuchar (MN)	Write to express concern over the potential impact of paper supply issues on upcoming elections.	1232888 / 22-3300	
●	Congressional	12/15/21	194	Packaged for DCOS/COS	2/9/22	I&A	12/30/21	Chairwoman Klobuchar +3 **HSGAC** **Senate Judiciary**	Write to request an update on the implementation of recommendations made in the joint report, Examining the U.S. Capitol Attack: A Review of the Security, Planning, and Response Failures on January 6 before December 31, 2021.	1225108 / 21-6114	

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●	Congressional	4/7/22	81	Packaged for DCOS/COS	5/26/22	ICE	2/28/22	Sen. Tillis (NC) +12	Writes regarding noncitizen flights from the border to the interior.	1227519 / 22-0745	
●	Congressional	4/26/22	62	Packaged for DCOS/COS	5/20/22	MGMT	5/17/22	Chairman Thompson (MS)	Writes disappointed that funding for the ICDF program was not included in the President's Budget Request for fiscal year 2023.	1231509 / 22-2375	
●	Congressional	2/15/22	132	Packaged for DCOS/COS	4/11/22	OLA	3/11/22	Ranking Member Comer (KY)	Writes requesting documents related to the withdrawal from Afghanistan.	1227984 / 22-0814	
●	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	10/22/21	248	Packaged for DCOS/COS	1/21/22	OPE	11/8/21	Council on American-Islamic Relations	Write to express several urgent concerns about September 29, 2021, announcement of the Law Enforcement Coordination Council.	1222796 / 21-4616	
●	Congressional	2/25/22	122	Packaged for DCOS/COS	6/10/22	PLCY	3/21/22	Rep. Comer +17 **CHS** **House Judiciary**	Follow up regarding the processing of Afghans resettling to the U.S.	1228463 / 22-0819	
●	Congressional	1/21/22	157	Packaged for DCOS/COS	4/7/22	PLCY	3/4/22	Sen. Menendez +14 **HSGAC** **Senate Judiciary**	Writes regarding denial rate for Afghan seeking humanitarian parole.	1227015 / 22-0710	
●	Congressional	1/7/22	171	Packaged for DCOS/COS	4/5/22	PLCY	1/28/22	Rep. Grijalva (AZ)	Writes reiterating concerns regarding the inconsistent approach of USCIS in relation to humanitarian parole applications submitted by 40,000 Afghans.	1226032 / 22-0017	



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●	Congressional	11/4/21	235	Packaged for DCOS/COS	4/13/22	PLCY	12/16/21	Rep. Hern OK	Writes requesting Afghanistan migrant information for the state of Oklahoma.	21-4680 / 1223319	
●	Congressional	9/28/21	272	Packaged for DCOS/COS	3/24/22	PLCY	10/20/21	Sen. Scott **HSGAC**	Writes regarding the multiple crises under the Biden administration.	1221700 / 21-3717	
●	Congressional	9/8/21	292	Packaged for DCOS/COS	3/17/22	PLCY	9/28/21	Rep. Katko +1 **CHS**	Writes with questions regarding the ongoing situation in Afghanistan.	1220754 / 21-3939	
●	Congressional	8/27/21	304	Packaged for DCOS/COS	1/19/22	PLCY	9/21/21	Rep. Espaillat +21 **CHS** **HAC** **House Judiciary**	Write to urge to designate TPS for Afghan nationals within the United States.	1220382 / 21-3286	
●	Congressional	8/23/21	308	Packaged for DCOS/COS	2/9/22	PLCY	9/15/21	Rep. Posey (FL)	Writes to ask DHS to secure our border from any individual who would seek to bring harm to the American people.	1220207 / 21-3259	
●	Congressional	4/30/21	423	Packaged for DCOS/COS	12/27/21	PLCY	5/17/21	Sen. Menendez +9 **Senate Judiciary** **SAC**	Writes to urge DHS to take additional steps to ensure federal law enforcement agencies are in full compliance with the Lautenberg Amendment.	1212961 / 21-1402	
●	Congressional	5/12/22	46	With Front Office	6/7/22	FEMA	6/6/22	Sen. Klobuchar (MN) +13	Write to ask that DHS take steps to ensure state and local governments can effectively use funds from the HSGP and State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program.	1232148 / 22-2393	
●	Congressional	2/28/22	119	With Front Office	4/29/22	ICE	3/8/22	Rep. Tlaib +24 **HAC** **House Judiciary**	Write to express concern over the drastic increase in ICE's Intensive	1228583 / 22-0830	

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	Congressional	4/28/22	60	With Front Office	5/17/22	MGMT	5/19/22	Rep. Payne (NJ) +19	Write to urge S1 to show moral leadership for DHS employees that are impacted by new anti-LGBTQ laws and policies adopted in several states.	1231587 / 22-2384	
	Congressional	6/8/22	19	With Front Office	6/23/22	PLCY	6/30/22	Rep. Tlaib (MI)	Writes regarding Israel's eligibility for the Visa Waiver Program.	1233581 / 22-3347	
	Congressional	5/13/22	45	With Front Office	6/14/22	PLCY	6/7/22	Sen. Johnson (WI)	Writes regarding the recent politically-motivated attack on the Wisconsin Family Action office in Madison, Wisconsin.	1232217 / 22-2447	
	Congressional	1/27/22	151	With Front Office	6/24/22	PLCY	2/17/22	Sen. Grassley **HSGAC** **Senate Judiciary** **SAC**	Writes requesting information about the case of Malik Faisal Akram	1227252 / 22-0730	
	Congressional	11/29/21	210	With Front Office	6/14/22	PLCY	12/21/21	Rep. McKinley (WV)	Writes how the crisis at the southern border has expedited the flow of deadly narcotics, like fentanyl into the United States.	1224042 / 21-4761	
	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	9/1/21	299	With Front Office	2/15/22	PLCY	9/23/21	Bob Ferguson	Writes supporting the resettlement of Afghan nationals under the SIV program.	1220483 / 21-2050	
	Congressional	4/26/22	62	With Front Office	5/25/22	TSA	5/17/22	Rep Norman (SC)	Writes regarding gender identity politics.	1231511 / 22-2376	
	Congressional	4/1/22	87	With Front Office	6/3/22	TSA	4/25/22	Sen. Daines (MT)	Write in response to announcement that	1230236 / 22-1291	

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										the TSA will no longer consider gender when validating the identity of individuals at checkpoints.		
	Congressional	5/24/22	34	With Front Office	6/23/22	USCIS	6/16/22	Rep. Correa CA	Writes with concerns regarding migrants at the SWB.	1232796 / 222496		
	Congressional	5/10/22	48	With Front Office	6/21/22	USCIS	6/2/22	Rep. Nadler (NY)	Write regarding USCIS's regional centers and compliance with the new EB-5 Reform and Integrity Act of 2022.	1232008 / 22-2435		
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	3/22/22	97	With Special Assistants	6/23/22	CBP	4/20/22	Rick Tachuk AmCham Canada	Writes requesting comprehensive border policy following the pandemic and recent blockades.	1229784 / 22-1239		
	Congressional	3/17/22	102	With Special Assistants	6/16/22	CBP	4/8/22	Rep. Higgins (NY)	Write asking DHS to consider the elimination of current vaccination requirements for all travelers at land ports of entry.	1229442 / 22-0888		
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	5/20/22	38	With Special Assistants	6/9/22	CISA	6/14/22	David Logsdon	Writes regarding cyber security issues and funding solutions related to state and local governments.	1232594 / 22-2452		
	Congressional	4/15/22	73	With Special Assistants	6/24/22	ICE	5/6/22	Sen. Heinrich (NM)	Writes requesting DHS conduct increased oversight on CoreCivic's management of Torrance County Detention Facility in Estancia, New Mexico.	1230864 / 22-2318		
	Congressional	4/26/22	62	With Interagency/NSC	6/10/22	CBP	5/17/22	Sen. Boozman (AR)	Write to POTUS to express disapproval	1231452 / 22-2362		

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										of a contingency plan which uses personnel from the Department of Veterans Affairs to deal with the escalation of the border crisis once the Administration rescinds Title 42.		
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/17/22	10	With Component	6/17/22	FRTF	7/20/22	Miriam Feldblum PAHEI	Writes expressing support for the Administrations work to assist students fleeing violence and humanitarian crises.	22-3393 / 1233972		
	Congressional	5/24/22	34	With Component	5/24/22	FRTF	6/16/22	Sen. Cruz (TX)	Writes with questions regarding FRTF.	1232752 / 22-2493		
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	2/15/22	132	With Component	6/23/22	FRTF	6/17/22	Claudia Tristán Immigration Campaign Director, MomsRising	Writes with recommendations regarding family separation policies.	1227961 / 22-0812		
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/22/22	5	With Component	6/22/22	CBP	7/15/22	Ronald D. Vitiello	Writes regarding corrective action currently being considered against United States Border Patrol agents following incidents that occurred in Del Rio, Texas last September.	1234059 / 23-3502		
	Congressional	6/21/22	6	With Component	6/21/22	CBP	7/14/22	Chairman Thompson (MS)	Writes regarding unofficial challenge coin circulating among CBP agents.	1233994 / 22-3501		
	Congressional	6/21/22	6	With Component	6/21/22	CBP	7/14/22	Rep. Payne NJ	Writes seeking assistance in rectifying a matter of retaliation from a CBP employee, against a union shop steward.	1234010 / 22-3510		

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●	Congressional	6/17/22	10	With Component	6/17/22	CBP	7/12/22	Rep. Payne (NJ)	Writes regarding unofficial challenge coin circulating among CBP agents.	1233951 / 22-3397	
●	Congressional	6/17/22	10	With Component	6/17/22	CBP	7/12/22	Rep. Correa (CA)	Writes regarding a potential public health crisis surrounding the collection of blood plasma in the United States that is being exacerbated by a policy implemented by CBP.	1233953 / 22-3399	
●	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	6/16/22	11	With Component	6/16/22	CBP	7/11/22	Gov. Lujan Grisham NM	Writes requesting DHS halt any planned or expanded efforts to transport migrants within the United States.	1233918 / 22-3391	
●	Congressional	6/14/22	13	With Component	6/14/22	CBP	7/7/22	Rep. Pfluger (TX)	Writes regarding the potential release of migrants to Texas.	1233768 / 22-3359	
●	Congressional	6/24/22	3	With Component	6/24/22	CBP	7/6/22	Rep. Roy (TX)	Writes requesting the release of any investigative report of CBP agents whipping migrants, and provide Members of Congress with a briefing on the investigation and proposed disciplinary action.	1234124 / 22-3511	
●	Congressional	6/7/22	20	With Component	6/7/22	CBP	6/28/22	Rep. Kim (CA) +5	Write requesting information about DHS's previously procured technologies and equipment to secure the border.	1233472 / 22-3342	
●	Congressional	5/26/22	32	With Component	5/26/22	CBP	6/27/22	Rep. Donalds (FL)	Write seeking clarification and answers about the supply of infant formula at CBP	1233005 / 22-3301	


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									detention facilities along the southern border.		
	Congressional	6/2/22	25	With Component	6/2/22	CBP	6/16/22	Rep. Westerman (AR) +1	Write requesting a document production on the environmental effects of migration at the southern border.	1233288 / 22-3337	
	Congressional	5/13/22	45	With Component	5/13/22	CBP	6/7/22	Sen. Johnson (WI)	Writes regarding the infant formula shortage.	1232219 / 22-2437	
	Congressional	5/12/22	46	With Component	5/12/22	CBP	5/23/22	Rep. Banks (ID)	Writes regarding the scheduled termination of Title 42 and the worsening baby formula shortage.	1232183 / 22-2446	
	Congressional	4/27/22	61	With Component	4/27/22	CBP	5/18/22	Rep. Murphy (NC)	Writes regarding 42 individuals on the TSDB were arrested while entering the country illegally.	1231538 / 22-2378	
	Congressional	4/18/22	70	With Component	4/18/22	CBP	5/9/22	Rep. Biggs (AZ)	Writes requesting extensive data on border encounters.	1230949 / 22-2311	
	Congressional	4/11/22	77	With Component	4/11/22	CBP	5/3/22	Rep. Sherrill (NJ)	Write to ask CBP how it will spend recently-approved appropriations for border security, specifically funding for new technology.	1230656 / 22-1705	
	Congressional	4/6/22	82	With Component	4/6/22	CBP	4/28/22	Sen. Hagerty +6 **HSGAC** **Senate Judiciary**	Write to request that DHS disclose its findings of the investigation by CBP's Office of Professional Responsibility regarding horse patrol activity in Del Rio, TX in September 2021.	1230465 / 22-1729	


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	Congressional	3/22/22	97	With Component	3/22/22	CBP	4/5/22	RM Comer and RM Katko **CHS**	Write requesting a document production related to apprehensions of foreign nationals with terrorist ties at the southern border.	1229743 / 22-1270	
	Congressional	11/17/21	222	With Component	12/2/21	CBP	12/10/21	Rep. Katko **CHS**	Follow up letter regarding the current state of the SWB. Ref WF: 1219887	1223717 / 21-4607	
	Congressional	6/16/22	11	With Component	6/16/22	CISA	7/11/22	Sen. Klobuchar (MN) +21	Write expressing concern about the alarming rise in threats against election workers.	1233888 / 22-3378	
	Congressional	6/9/22	18	With Component	6/9/22	CISA	7/1/22	Sen. Klobuchar (MN)	Writes regarding the security of our elections during the 2022 federal election cycle.	1233623 / 22-3348	
	Congressional	6/24/22	3	With Component	6/24/22	CISA	6/30/22	Rep. Bishop (NC)	Writes regarding threats that left-wing extremists are making against houses of worship.	1234156 / 22-3512	
	Congressional	6/24/22	3	With Component	6/24/22	FEMA	7/22/22	Rep. Davis (IL)	Writes regarding Cornbelt FPD, Tolono FPD, and Tuscola FD for their FEMA AFG applications	1234163 / 22-3518	
	Congressional	6/14/22	13	With Component	6/14/22	FEMA	7/14/22	Sen. Warren (MA) +1	Write in support of the application submitted by the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority for the FY2022 Transit Security Grant Program.	1233806 / 22-2396	
	Congressional	5/24/22	34	With Component	5/24/22	FEMA	6/30/22	Sen. Crapo ID	Writes in support of the NSGP for the Weitzman National Museum of American Jewish History.	1232803 / 22-2498	

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	Congressional	6/14/22	13	With Component	6/14/22	FLETC	7/7/22	Sen. Grassley (IW)	Writes with questions regarding FLETC closing.	1238909 / 22-3361	
	Congressional	5/27/22	31	With Component	5/27/22	I&A	6/21/22	Rep. Turner (OH)	Writes regarding I&A's analytic activity related to COVID-19 origins and consultation with outside experts.	1233024 / 22-3302	
	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	6/16/22	11	With Component	6/16/22	ICE	7/29/22	State Rep. Daisy Morales (FL)	Writes regarding processing times at the ICE Orlando Facility.	1233911 / 22-3396	
	Congressional	6/23/22	4	With Component	6/23/22	ICE	7/6/22	Ranking Member Johnson (WI)	Writes regarding the crisis at the southern border.	1234102 / 22-3504	
	Congressional	6/8/22	19	With Component	6/8/22	ICE	6/30/22	Rep. McClain (MI)	Write with follow up questions to a previous letter regarding illegal migration, ICE coordination with local law enforcement, and CBP's release of a man flagged by the FBI Terrorist Screening Center.	1233571 / 22-3344	
	Congressional	6/2/22	25	With Component	6/2/22	ICE	6/23/22	Rep. Ocasio-Cortez (NY) +28	Write to express concerns with the current implementation of the Guidelines for the Enforcement of Civil Immigration Law and to request that DHS publicly releases enforcement data.	1233275 / 22-3322	
	Congressional	5/25/22	33	With Component	5/25/22	ICE	6/17/22	Rep. Hinson (IA)	Writes regarding an individual on the FBI Terrorism Watchlist that was released into the country by CBP.	1232966 / 22-3310	




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	Congressional	5/26/22	32	With Component	5/26/22	ICE	6/16/22	Sen. Scott FL	Writes requesting information regarding the Doyle Memorandum.	1232955 / 22-2469	
	Congressional	5/5/22	53	With Component	5/5/22	ICE	5/27/22	Sen. Moran (KS) +6	Write regarding an OIG report regarding improper use of sole source contracts for housing migrant families.	1231869 / 22-2409	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/16/22	11	With Component	6/16/22	MGMT	7/11/22	Vince Micone Co-Chairperson, CFC +1	Writes asking for DHS leadership to volunteer for the CFC.	1233890 / 22-3394	
	Congressional	6/13/22	14	With Component	6/13/22	MGMT	7/1/22	Rep. Connolly (VA) +1	Write requesting an update on DHS's implementation of the Modernizing Government Technology (MGT) Act and to ask about DHS's efforts to pursue adequate funding to update IT systems.	1233710 / 22-3356	
	Congressional	5/20/22	38	With Component	5/20/22	MGMT	6/14/22	Sen. Grassley (IA)	Writes requesting information on how DHS has updated its procedures, including misconduct-disclosure procedures, in light of the COPS Counseling Act becoming law.	1232589 / 22-2486	
	Congressional	6/14/22	13	With Component	6/14/22	OGC	7/7/22	Rep. Jordan (OH)	Writes regarding DHS's involvement in the Biden Administration's use of federal law enforcement, with respect to school board-related threats.	1233783 / 22-3350	

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	Congressional	6/2/22	25	With Component	6/2/22	OPE	6/23/22	Chairman Thompson (MS)	Writes with concern that the HSAC has an absence of members who represent labor's perspective that would advocate on behalf of the Department's employees.	1233277 / 22-3323	
	Congressional	6/24/22	3	With Component	6/27/22	OPS	6/29/22	Sen. Grassley IA	Writes with questions regarding how DHS plans to protect the safety of Supreme Court Justices following the recent overrule of Roe v. Wade.	1234176 / 22-3514	*S1 requested a draft response by 6/29.
	Congressional	6/24/22	3	With Component	6/24/22	PLCY	7/18/22	Rep. Kind (WI)	Writes with concerns regarding reports of discriminatory treatment of American passport holders by the Government of Israel	1234171 / 22-2472	
	Congressional	6/22/22	5	With Component	6/22/22	PLCY	7/15/22	Rep. Gottheimer NJ	Writes regarding the recently published "Mapping Project" seeking information on how DHS plans to investigate and respond to DVE, HVE, and FTOs.	1234033 / 22-2471	
	Congressional	6/22/22	5	With Component	6/22/22	PLCY	7/14/22	Rep. Mullin (OK)	Writes regarding administration's plans to handle the extreme influx of migrants at our southern border in light of repeal of Title 42.	1234094 / 22-3503	
	Congressional	6/17/22	10	With Component	6/17/22	PLCY	7/12/22	Sen Tillis (NC)	Writes concerning the rise in the illegal immigrant population	1233971 / 22-3500	
	Congressional	6/10/22	17	With Component	6/10/22	PLCY	6/30/22	Rep. Titus (NV)	Writes with concerns regarding the rise in	1233572 / 22-3352	

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										Domestic Violent Extremists.		
	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	6/2/22	25	With Component	6/2/22	PLCY	6/23/22	Toks Omishakin Secretary, California State Transportation Agency	Writes regarding California's compliance with federal REAL ID Act requirements	1233263 / 22-3321		
	Congressional	6/8/22	19	With Component	6/8/22	PLCY	6/21/22	Sen. Grassley IA	Writes with concerns regarding the DGB and its intended role in disinformation efforts.	1233485 / 22-3351		
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	5/25/22	33	With Component	5/25/22	PLCY	6/17/22	HIAS +4 organizations	Write urging the administration to oppose efforts to force the continuation of Title 42 through litigation or legislation and take all legally available steps to end the policy.	1232857 / 22-3308		
	Congressional	5/24/22	34	With Component	5/24/22	PLCY	6/16/22	Sen. Hawley (MO)	Write to request immediate access to all records and communications related to DHS's new Disinformation Governance Board.	1232751 / 22-2492		
	Congressional	5/19/22	39	With Component	5/19/22	PLCY	6/13/22	Rep. Gottheimer (NJ)	Writes urging the Administration to postpone ending Title 42.	1232559 / 22-2451		
	Congressional	5/18/22	40	With Component	5/18/22	PLCY	6/9/22	Rep. Gohmert (TX) +4	Write regarding Title 42.	1232414 / 22-2438		
	Congressional	5/10/22	48	With Component	5/10/22	PLCY	6/2/22	Rep. Perry PA	Writes regarding disinformation governance board.	1232063 / 22-2432		

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●	Congressional	5/9/22	49	With Component	5/9/22	PLCY	6/1/22	Rep. Van Drew TX	Writes regarding the newly created DHS "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231980 / 22-2430	
●	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	5/9/22	49	With Component	5/9/22	PLCY	6/1/22	AG Wasden (Idaho)	Writes in opposition of the "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231982 / 22-2411	
●	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	5/9/22	49	With Component	5/9/22	PLCY	6/1/22	AG Brnovich	Writes regarding the newly created DHS "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231987 / 22-2431	
●	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	5/9/22	49	With Component	5/9/22	PLCY	5/31/22	Jason Miyares AG - Virginia	Writes regarding the newly created DHS "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231920 / 22-2414	
●	Congressional	5/6/22	52	With Component	5/6/22	PLCY	5/30/22	Rep. Franklin (FL)	Writes regarding the newly created DHS "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231921 / 22-2415	
●	Congressional	5/6/22	52	With Component	5/6/22	PLCY	5/30/22	Rep. Posey (FL)	Writes regarding the DHS' Disinformation Governance Board	1231943 / 22-2426	
●	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	5/4/22	54	With Component	5/4/22	PLCY	5/26/22	Protect Democracy	Writes regarding significant concerns about the "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231821 / 22-2404	
●	Congressional	5/4/22	54	With Component	5/4/22	PLCY	5/26/22	Rep. Gosar (AZ)	Writes regarding Disinformation Governance Board.	1231842 / 22-2405	
●	Congressional	5/2/22	56	With Component	5/2/22	PLCY	5/24/22	Rep. Turner (OH) +1	Write requesting information on the Disinformation Governance Board.	1231690 / 22-2389	
●	Congressional	5/2/22	56	With Component	5/2/22	PLCY	5/24/22	Sen. Hagerty (TN)	Writes regarding the creation of the Disinformation Governance Board.	1231689 / 22-2388	

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	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	5/2/22	56	With Component	5/2/22	PLCY	5/24/22	AG Schmitt (MO)	Writes with concerns over the Disinformation Governance Board.	1231695 / 22-2392	
	Congressional	5/3/22	55	With Component	5/3/22	PLCY	5/24/22	Sen. Blackburn (TN)	Writes regarding the DHS's recent creation of the Disinformation Governance Board.	1231729 / 22-2402	
	Congressional	4/29/22	59	With Component	4/29/22	PLCY	5/23/22	Rep. Comer (KY) +18	Write to conduct oversight over the DHS's newly created "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231641 / 22-2387	
	Congressional	4/19/22	69	With Component	5/2/22	PLCY	5/20/22	RM Jim Jordan **House Judiciary**	Writes regarding the condition of the SWB and requests data and answers to the questions posed at the upcoming Judiciary hearing.	1231036 / 22-2321	
	Congressional	5/5/22	53	With Component	5/5/22	PLCY	5/20/22	Ranking Member Katko (NY)	Write regarding the recently established "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231888 / 22-2413	
	Congressional	4/28/22	60	With Component	4/28/22	PLCY	5/19/22	Sen. Johnson (WI)	Writes concerning the DHS Disinformation Board.	1231590 / 22-2379	
	Congressional	4/28/22	60	With Component	4/28/22	PLCY	5/19/22	Sen. Hawley (MO)	Writes with concern about the Department of Homeland Security's decision to create a new Disinformation Governance Board.	1231591 / 22-2380	
	Congressional	4/20/22	68	With Component	4/20/22	PLCY	5/18/22	Rep. Slotkin +1 **CHS**	Writes regarding Title 42 and the Departments approach to the SWB.	1231055 / 22-2322	
	Congressional	4/26/22	62	With Component	4/26/22	PLCY	5/17/22	Rep. Schrier (WA)	Writes regarding whether the administration is	1231515 / 22-2364	

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									prepared for the end of Title 42.		
	Congressional	5/3/22	55	With Component	5/3/22	PLCY	5/13/22	Rep. Herrell NM	Writes regarding synthetic opioid epidemic and concern for the ending of Title 42.	1231777 / 22-2372	
	Congressional	4/12/22	76	With Component	4/12/22	PLCY	5/3/22	Rep. Thompson (MS) **CHS**	Writes to urge DHS to share its plans with Congress to manage the anticipated increase in border encounters following the termination of Title 42.	1230697 / 22-1797	
	Congressional	4/8/22	80	With Component	4/8/22	PLCY	5/2/22	Rep. Miller-Meeks +62 **House Judiciary** **CHS** **HAC**	Writes regarding Title 42.	1230610 / 22-1794	
	Congressional	4/7/22	81	With Component	4/7/22	PLCY	4/29/22	Sen. Tillis +20 **SAC** **Senate Judiciary** **HSGAC**	Writes concerning Title 42.	1230523 / 22-1787	
	Congressional	4/5/22	83	With Component	4/5/22	PLCY	4/27/22	Rep. Comer +18 **CHS** **House Judiciary**	Writes regarding Title 42.	1230398 / 22-1760	
	Congressional	4/5/22	83	With Component	4/5/22	PLCY	4/27/22	Sen. Tester **SAC**	Writes regarding DHS's preparedness for ending Title 42.	1230409 / 22-1758	
	Congressional	3/30/22	89	With Component	3/30/22	PLCY	4/21/22	Rep. Roy (TX) **House Judiciary**	Writes regarding S1's decision to discontinue the use of Title 42.	1230126 / 22-1725	
	Congressional	3/30/22	89	With Component	3/30/22	PLCY	4/21/22	Sen. Cornyn +21 **CHS** **HAC**	Writes regarding Title 42.	1230125 / 22-1722	

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●	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	3/29/22	90	With Component	3/29/22	PLCY	4/20/22	Eddie Trevino Texas Border Coalition	Writes regarding Title 42 and the need for additional personnel on southern border.	1230094 / 22-1721	
●	Congressional	3/28/22	91	With Component	3/28/22	PLCY	4/19/22	Rep. Escobar **House Judiciary**	Writes with issues concerning MPP and Title 42.	1230011 / 22-1718	
●	Congressional	3/21/22	98	With Component	3/21/22	PLCY	4/12/22	Rep. Correa +2 **HSGAC** **House Judiciary** **CHS** **HAC**	Write to request an end to Title 42.	1229623 / 22-1254	
●	Congressional	3/17/22	102	With Component	5/26/22	PLCY	4/8/22	Rep. Cherfilus- McCormick (FL)	Writes urging DHS end the mistreatment of Haitian asylum seekers and migrants.	1229444 / 22-0889	
●	Congressional	3/16/22	103	With Component	5/26/22	PLCY	4/7/22	Rep. Jones (NY) +1 **House Judiciary**	Write to request that DHS stop deporting and expelling people to Haiti under Title 42.	1229413 / 22-1250	
●	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	5/25/22	33	With Component	5/25/22	TSA	6/17/22	Sonya Hightower- LaBosco Executive Director, Air Marshal National Council	Writes with concerns that the Federal Air Marshal Services has directed Federal Air Marshals to go to the southwest border to assist CBP.	1232962 / 22-3309	
●	Congressional	6/17/22	10	With Component	6/17/22	USCG	7/13/22	Rep. Crow CO	Writes requesting broader access to abortion and other reproductive healthcare services for servicemembers.	1233967 / 22-3392	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials,	6/23/22	4	With Component	6/23/22	USCIS	7/18/22	America's Voice	Writes to request immediate review and 18-month extension	1234123 / 22-3505	

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●	NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)									and redesignation of Temporary Protected Status for Venezuela.		
●	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/24/22	3	With Component	6/24/22	USCIS	7/18/22	George Clooney	Writes in support of the humanitarian parole application of Alfateh Younous Haroun.	1234174 / 22-3519		
●	Congressional	6/14/22	13	With Component	6/14/22	USCIS	7/14/22	Sen. Schatz HI	Writes with concerns regarding how the Immigration and Naturalization Act impacts the fishing industry in Hawaii.	1233803 / 22-3371		
●	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/3/22	24	With Component	6/3/22	USCIS	7/12/22	Jill Marie Bussey Director for Public Policy, Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service	Request to Resume Legal Services and Processing for Afghan Allies at the National Conference Center.	1233345 / 22-3339		
●	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/17/22	10	With Component	6/17/22	USCIS	7/12/22	Almar Latour	Writes regarding concerns for the P2 Program.	1233952 / 22-3398		
●	Congressional	6/16/22	11	With Component	6/16/22	USCIS	7/11/22	Rep. Ross (NC)	Write to provide comments to DHS's notice of proposed rulemaking, RIN 165-AC64, on DACA.	1233896 / 22-3362		
●	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/10/22	17	With Component	6/10/22	USCIS	7/5/22	Brian Crawford	Writes regarding suggestions related to the H-2B program	1233669 / 22-3349		
●	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	5/26/22	32	With Component	5/26/22	USCIS	6/27/22	Wilouse Sanon Charles Fair Justice Now for All +3	Write regarding the H-2A and H-2B visa programs.	1232990 / 22-3311		






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	Congressional	6/2/22	25	With Component	6/2/22	USCIS	6/23/22	Sen. Reed (RI) +6	Write asking for an extension of DED for Liberia.	1233283 / 22-3336	
	Congressional	6/7/22	20	With Component	6/7/22	USCIS	6/21/22	Rep. Jordan (OH)	Writes regarding terrorists exploiting the immigration system	1233517 / 22-3346	
	Congressional	5/26/22	32	With Component	5/26/22	USCIS	6/20/22	Sen. Markey (MA) +7	Write concerning the inconsistency between the treatment of Afghans and Ukrainians seeking humanitarian parole into the United States.	1232998 / 22-3313	
	Congressional	5/24/22	34	With Component	5/24/22	USCIS	6/16/22	Rep. Castro (TX)	Write to urgently request your administration expand TPS protections for migrants from Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, and Nicaragua.	1232750 / 22-2491	
	Congressional	5/16/22	42	With Component	5/16/22	USCIS	6/1/22	Rep. Curtis (UT)	Write to encourage DHS and USCIS to consider innovative approaches to digitize USCIS-controlled immigration records.	1232281 / 22-2448	
	Congressional	4/15/22	73	With Component	4/15/22	USCIS	5/6/22	Rep. Velazquez (NY)	Writes requesting information and data on the administration's use of the TPS and DED programs.	1230867 / 22-2306	
	Congressional	4/1/22	87	Component Adjudication	6/17/22	CBP	4/25/22	Rep. Biggs **HAC** **CHS** **House Judiciary**	Write regarding illegal Russian immigration to America.	1230238 / 22-1293	
	Congressional	5/3/22	55	Component Adjudication	6/16/22	ICE	5/24/22	Rep. Soto (FL)	Writes requesting that DHS and ICE investigate the	1231743 / 22-2403	

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									reported delays at the Orlando Immigration and Customs Enforcement facility.		
	Congressional	4/14/22	74	Component Adjudication	6/27/22	ICE	5/5/22	Rep. Roy (TX) **House Judiciary** **HAC** **CHS**	Write requesting that ICE immediately release a report containing ERO enforcement data for FY21 in a comparable format to the FY20 enforcement report.	1230828 / 22-1774	
	Congressional	4/8/22	80	Component Adjudication	5/17/22	ICE	5/2/22	Rep. Cawthorn (NC)	Writes regarding visa sanctions.	1230601 / 22-1791	
	Congressional	3/11/22	108	Component Adjudication	6/16/22	ICE	4/4/22	Sen. Cruz +21 **HSGAC** **Senate Judiciary** **SAC**	Writes with concerns regarding an alleged increase in violent crimes committed by undocumented persons.	1229207 / 22-1220	
	Congressional	1/31/22	147	Component Adjudication	6/17/22	ICE	2/14/22	Sen. Johnson (WI) **HSGAC**	Writes requesting data regarding immigration encounters at the Southwest Border for the year of 2021.	1227404 / 22-0705	
	Congressional	4/11/22	77	Component Adjudication	6/27/22	OGC	5/3/22	Sen. Moran (KS) +12 **SAC** **Senate Judiciary** **HSGAC**	Write with concern regarding the security of the southern border.	1230655 / 22-1704	
	Congressional	4/13/22	75	Component Adjudication	6/24/22	PLCY	5/4/22	Rep. Porter (CA)	Writes to request DHS to release its implementation plan of the National Strategy to Counter Domestic Terrorism.	1230726 / 22-2300	
	Congressional	4/6/22	82	Component Adjudication	6/24/22	PLCY	4/28/22	Sen. Hawley **HSGAC** **Senate	Writes regarding the decision to	1230454 / 22-1766	

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●	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	5/11/22	47	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	CISA	6/3/22	Christopher Hanson Chairman, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission	Writes regarding the Radiation Source Protection and Security Task Force final report.	1232093 / 22-2366	
●	Congressional	5/16/22	42	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	MGMT	6/7/22	Rep. Levin (CA)	Writes asking DHS to submit a supplemental budget request to Congress for support for CBP as Title 42 comes to an end.	1232295 / 22-2395	
●	Congressional	4/11/22	77	Component to Transmit	6/24/22	MGMT	5/3/22	Rep Gooden (TX)	Writes inquiring for more information on a DHS contract.	1230628 / 22-1795	
●	Congressional	3/10/22	109	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/27/22	PLCY	4/5/22	Sen. Lankford +1 **HSGAC** **Senate Judiciary**	Writes with concerns regarding DHS' efforts to re-implement MPP.	1229090 / 22-1219	New – w/leg teams
●	Congressional	9/16/21	284	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/27/22	PLCY	10/6/21	Sen. Warner VA	Writes regarding Virginia state coordination with Operation Allies Welcome.	1221022 / 21-3946	New – w/leg teams
●	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	4/21/22	67	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	5/11/22	Gov. Mills (ME)	Writes requesting additional H-2B visas to meet the needs of Maine's economy.	1231113 / 22-2347	
●	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	4/18/22	70	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	5/9/22	Commissioner Kenneth Hodder National Commander, The Salvation Army	Writes in support of expedited visa processing for the Kistan family.	1230924 / 22-2308	
●	Congressional	4/8/22	80	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	5/2/22	Sen. Carper **HSGAC**	Writes regarding previously discussed USCIS issue.	1230599 / 22-1789	


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	Congressional	3/24/22	95	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	4/14/22	Rep. Meng +22 **CHS** **HAC** **House Judiciary**	Writes regarding reform policies around criminal bars for DACA applicants.	1229906 / 22-1286
	Congressional	3/14/22	105	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	4/5/22	Rep. Matsui +25 **CHS** **HAC** **House Judiciary**	Write to express the extreme urgency to initiate and expedite consular services.	1229276 / 22-1241
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	2/15/22	132	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	3/11/22	#AfghanEvac Coalition + many NGOs	Write to request for the creation of a long term parole program for at-risk Afghans.	1227960 / 22-0811
	Congressional	11/2/21	237	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	11/23/21	Rep. Tlaib +24 **HAC** **House Judiciary**	Write to bring attention several critical issues impacting Afghan evacuees arriving on our shores.	1223195 / 21-4682
	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	10/14/21	256	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	10/29/21	Rep. Sena (MA)	Writes requesting that DHS sets quotas for the number of people it accepts as refugees.	1222391 / 21-3796
	Congressional	10/1/21	269	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	10/25/21	Sen. Padilla +26 **HSGAC** **Senate Judiciary** **SAC**	Writes urging to implement a blanket waiver on fees for Afghans and their families when they apply for humanitarian parole into the United States	1221865 / 21-3740
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	8/23/21	308	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	9/15/21	Esther Brimmer	Write to urge immediate action to protect the lives of, and provide stability to, Afghan educators and students.	1220206 / 21-3258

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	Congressional	8/20/21	311	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	9/7/21	Rep. Mikie Sherrill +10 **CHS** **HAC** **House Judiciary**	Writes regarding the protection and safety of Afghan women throughout the ongoing crisis within the country.	21-3262 / 1220167	
	Congressional	5/12/22	46	On Hold	5/12/22	CISA	6/3/22	Rep. Garbarino (NY)	Writes regarding this disinformation governance board.	1232149 / 22-2445	

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## **FOP “Blue View” Podcast Interview**

June 28, 2022

### **Overview:**

- YOU will participate in an in-person, ON THE RECORD taped 30-40-minute interview with the National Fraternal Order of Police’s (FOP) “Blue View” Podcast.
- FOP President Patrick Yoes will interview you.

### **Background**

“Blue View” is a weekly Podcast launched in February 2022 by the National Fraternal Order of the Police that hosts law enforcement experts, elected officials, or other notable leaders to gain insight into the issues and current events surrounding the law enforcement community. The Podcast is hosted by National FOP President Patrick Yoes and can be found on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Amazon Music, and YouTube.

More specifically, “Blue View” covers issues like the increase of violence against law enforcement officers, officer mental wellness, and why law enforcement officers should become members of the FOP. More recently, the Blue View Podcast has recorded episodes on “Fostering Partnerships with the Communities we Serve,” K9 police partners, “America’s Crime Crisis,” and the importance of quality video evidence in solving crime.

### **Past Encounters:**

- During Police Week 2022, YOU attended the National Peace Officers Memorial Service, an event which is hosted by the FOP.
- On January 9, YOU sent FOP President Yoes a letter expressing your gratitude, respect, and admiration for President Yoes’s leadership and for the bravery, service, and sacrifice of each law enforcement officer who is a member of the Fraternal Order of Police.
- On March 17, YOU announced Patrick Yoes’s appointment to HSAC ahead of the Council’s first meeting on March 21.

### **Attachments:**

- A. Biography
- B. Recent Blue View Press Releases/Memos
- C. Other Notable Articles
- D. Q&A

## Bio



**Patrick Yoes**

Patrick Yoes was elected National President at the 64<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) in 2019. Mr. Yoes has since made it his mission to lead the FOP in these changing and dynamic times to find solutions to the real issues facing the law enforcement profession. After nearly 36 years as an active law enforcement officer, Mr. Yoes retired in 2020 from the St. Charles Sheriff's Office. During his career with the agency, Mr. Yoes worked as a patrol deputy, patrol sergeant, school resource officer, and detective in the criminal investigation division, becoming commander of the Special Services Division. Since joining the St. Charles (LA) local FOP lodge, Mr. Yoes has held nearly every elected position, including eight terms as Lodge President. Mr. Yoes is also active on the state level, having served on the Louisiana State Lodge Executive Board for more than 22 years, 10 as President. For 14 years preceding his election as the National President of the FOP Mr. Yoes served as the FOP National Secretary.

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### **Recent Blue View Press Releases/ Memos**

(June 23, 2022): **FOP and IACP Announce Support for the “Bipartisan Safer Communities Act”**

Washington, D.C. – The Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) and the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) announced their joint support for the “Bipartisan Safer Communities Act,” which will be considered by the Senate this week.

The legislation, which is a uniquely bipartisan effort, contains additional tools and resources for our communities to address the criminal misuse of firearms and strengthens our ability to provide mental health resources and services for those that need it.

The bill provides significant resources to improve crisis intervention systems as well as funding for mental health courts, drug courts and veteran courts. The bill would also increase funding for existing Federal programs on mental health and school security.



The bill includes a provision that both of our organizations have endorsed for several years—criminalizing the act of straw purchasing and firearms trafficking. Lawfully purchasing firearms and then transferring them to violent criminals, drug dealers, and other prohibited persons is more than a “paperwork violation.” It is a serious crime, and this bill would amend Federal law to treat it as such.

The FOP and IACP also support clarifying that juvenile records can and should be provided to the National Instant Background Check System (NICS), which will allow for greater scrutiny of individuals under the age of 21 who purchase firearms.

We commend Senators Cornyn and Murphy for leading this historic effort and all of the Senators who put their shoulders to the wheel to help make our nation and our communities safer. We urge the Senate to pass the bill this week.

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**(June 12, 2022): FOP and IACP Praise Senate Deal on Firearms: Bipartisan agreement will help reduce criminal misuse of guns**

Washington, DC – The Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) and the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) applaud today’s news that a bipartisan agreement has been reached in the United States Senate on historic firearms legislation that provides needed mental health resources, improves school safety and support for students, and helps ensure dangerous criminals and those who are adjudicated as mentally ill are prohibited from purchasing weapons.

As the FOP and IACP said in our joint statement on May 27, 2022, our organizations are committed to making our country safe and we believe that our organizations helped contribute to the Senate’s effort, which worked together in good faith and in a bipartisan way to find a way forward on this issue. We look forward to reviewing the final text and continuing to lend our support on efforts to reduce gun violence.

According to media reports, the bill will provide funding for school safety and establish an enhanced review process for firearms purchases by individuals under 21 years of age. The legislation will include penalties for straw purchases and resources for States that want to enact so-called “red flag” laws and make “major investments to increase access to mental health and suicide prevention programs.”

The FOP and IACP believe this bipartisan measure is a great step forward and one that will save lives. The FOP and IACP urge Congress to swiftly pass this legislation so that President Biden can sign this bill into law.

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(May 27, 2022) **International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and Fraternal Order of Police (FOP): Join Forces to Address Gun Policy and Community Violence**

Far too many of our communities are plagued by violence. Sadly, the recent horrific attacks in Texas, New York, California and too many other communities to list makes clear that no place is immune from violence. The victims and their families serve as a stark and tragic reminder of the need for concerted action and a whole of community approach. Our organizations, which represent our nation's chiefs and the majority of rank-and-file officers, believe that it is imperative that we address gun violence and identify workable solutions in order to dramatically reduce the numbers of Americans killed from unprovoked and unspeakable violence.

The IACP and FOP have a remarkable record of success in working together to find solutions on difficult issues. When our organizations work together, as we did with the First Step Act and President Biden's recent Executive Order on policing, we made real and significant progress. But our organizations cannot do this alone. It will require the commitment of leaders and elected officials at all levels, support from the community, and a willingness to embrace new approaches.

We are committed to working together with any and all interested parties which share our goal to enact effective and lasting change to build a safer future for our children, neighbors, fellow citizens, and the police officers that serve and protect all of our communities.

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### **Other Notable Articles**

#### **Washington Post: Biden signs gun-control legislation into law (Cleve R. Wootson Jr. and Marianna Sotomayor)**

Moments before he signed a bipartisan gun-control bill into law, President Biden recounted meeting family members of gun violence victims in Uvalde, Tex., Parkland, Fla., and Newtown, Conn., and dozens of mourning communities in between.

"Their message to us was do something," Biden said. "How many times have you heard that? Just do something. For God's sake, just do something. But today we did."

The gun-control act is the most significant law of its kind in the last three decades, although Biden has conceded it doesn't do everything that he wants — or everything that advocates have asked for.

The legislation was the result of negotiations by a handful of Republican and Democratic senators, led by Sens. Chris Murphy (D-Conn.) and John Cornyn (R-Tex.), in the wake of recent mass shootings in Uvalde and Buffalo.

In addition to providing funding for mental health services and school security initiatives, the legislation expands criminal background checks for some gun buyers, bars a larger group of domestic-violence offenders from purchasing firearms, and funds programs that would allow authorities to seize guns from troubled individuals.

The bill passed the House overwhelmingly along party lines, 234 to 193, with no Democratic defections. Fourteen Republicans voted in favor, including Rep. Tony Gonzales (R-Tex.), who represents Uvalde, the city that is now home to the second-largest mass school shooting in U.S. history.

The movement on gun control happens at a tumultuous moment in Washington. The House passed the legislation on the same day that the Supreme Court announced it would overturn the landmark Roe v. Wade decision on abortion. Celebrations in the Capitol over breaking a 30-year logjam on gun control happened at the same time that virulent protests were going on a short walk away in front of the nation's highest court.

"Jill and I know how painful and devastating the decision is for so many American, and I mean so many Americans," Biden said.

He said his administration was now focused on making sure states didn't break other laws as they sought to restrict access to abortion. "We're going to take actions to protect women's rights and reproductive health," he said.

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## **Recent Del Rio Horse Patrol Investigation Developments**

- Fox News reported on June 14 that DHS is "preparing to discipline "multiple" horseback Border Patrol agents involved in the infamous "whipping" incident of Haitian migrants at the U.S.-Mexico border back in September."
- The report also said that "DHS will be putting forth proposals to discipline the agents who will have a chance to respond to the charges. The charges, Fox News is told, are "administrative violations," and do not amount to criminal conduct."
- Commissioner Magnus on June 17 said that the report would come in the next few weeks: *"I will merely indicate that the report that you're speaking about, we anticipate to release within the next several weeks. We are following the administrative processes that protect the due process rights of the involved employees."*
- On June 21, the Heritage Foundation filed a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit in U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia for "all documents related to the Department of Homeland Security's politicized investigation into mounted Border Patrol agents near Del Rio, Texas."

- On June 16 The National Police Association announced it had filed a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit against the Department of Homeland Security and its U.S. Customs and Border Protection agency for failing to respond to a February request for all records regarding CBP’s investigation into the Del Rio, Texas, incident last September.
- On June 21, four national Border Patrol chiefs and five other top-ranking officials who served under the previous three presidents on Tuesday sent a letter in which they shared serious concerns about a report that DHS agency Customs and Border Protection is planning to punish agents involved in the incident despite outcry that the agents are not guilty of any wrongdoing.
  - The former national chiefs who signed the letter are David Aguilar, Michael Fisher, Ronald Vitiello, and Rodney Scott. The other five signers, chief patrol agents who oversaw various regions of the northern and southern borders, are Robert Harris, Anthony Porvaznik, Paul Beeson, Jesse Shaw, and John Pfeifer.

## **Q&A Talking Points**

### **How many known or suspected terrorists crossed the Southwest border? Have any known or suspected terrorists made it into the United States?**

- We take every necessary precaution to protect the homeland from public safety and national security threats. Any individuals that are on the TSDB and are encountered by U.S. Border Patrol between the Ports of Entry are detained and removed, or turned over to another government agency for subsequent detention or law enforcement action, as appropriate.
- The FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force is notified of every watchlist encounter – this triggers robust coordination across several federal agencies to determine the most appropriate actions based on the facts of each specific case.
- While encounters of individuals in the TSDB at our borders are very uncommon, they underscore the importance of the critical work CBP Agents and Officers carry out on a daily basis to protect the homeland.

### **Of the known or suspected terrorists who were encountered at our borders, were any of them released into the United States? Who are these individuals?**

- These individuals are on the radar of federal law enforcement. Some have already been removed. Others are in detention or various stages of removal proceedings.
- The FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force is notified of every watchlist encounter – this triggers robust coordination across several federal agencies to determine the most appropriate actions based on the facts of each specific case

### **Why is DHS releasing thousands of migrants into the country?**

- Communities along the border are critical to ensuring we can enforce our immigration laws and process asylum claims in a safe, orderly, and humane manner. These communities are deeply

impacted by migratory changes, and DHS remains committed to coordinating with and providing as much assistance as possible to elected officials, local leaders, and non-governmental organizations in these communities.

- DHS continues to expel migrants under CDC's Title 42 authority, and those who cannot be expelled under Title 42 and do not have a legal basis to remain are placed in expedited removal or full removal proceedings.
- CBP continues to safely, efficiently, and effectively process individuals encountered at the border. Due to the increased number of migrants encountered by U.S. Border Patrol, CBP, in coordination with NGOs, may facilitate the provisional release of noncitizens who are placed into removal proceedings pending the next steps in their immigration proceedings.
- Generally, after processing, migrants who are not detained for the duration of their removal proceeding are provisionally released in coordination with NGOs. If NGOs are over capacity, CBP coordinates with local governments and cities to identify locations where migrants can conveniently access transportation services or accommodations.
- Facilitating migrant releases while their immigration case is being adjudicated is a longstanding practice. Individuals who are provisionally released from CBP continue with their immigration removal proceedings.
- CBP collects biometric and biographic information, and runs a background check before any individual leaves CBP custody, and those who are found to pose a public safety risk continue to be detained. CBP and ICE make custody determinations on a case-by-case basis and have in place strict reporting requirements for any individual provisionally released from custody pending their removal proceedings.

#### **What are you doing to address the morale issues at Border Patrol?**

- I appreciate the very challenging conditions under which the Border Patrol workforce operate.
- During my recent trips to the border, I heard from leaders and frontline personnel of the Border Patrol about the challenges they are facing.
- I have directed several changes in light of what I have heard, including prioritizing getting Border Patrol agents back in the field, amplifying the capacity of non-uniformed processing coordinators, and increasing the number of prosecution referrals of subjects assaulting agents.
- CBP is increasing the hiring of Border Patrol Processing Coordinators (BPPC), a non-law enforcement position that was developed to support and relieve Border Patrol Agents currently performing time consuming, non-law enforcement administrative functions.
- I will continue to do more to support our dedicated Border Patrol agents.

#### **News reports have said that the investigation into the horse patrol agents in Del Rio has wrapped and they were cleared of wrongdoing. Is that true? Why have you not released the results of the investigation?**

- The CBP administrative review and disciplinary process related to the investigation of the USBP Horse Patrol in Del Rio, Texas on September 19th, 2021, are ongoing.
- We will certainly provide you updates once they are available.

**Following Friday’s Supreme Court ruling, DHS shared with state and local law enforcement that a group posted online warning about a “night of rage.” Is the Department tracking any specific threats of violence following the ruling?**

- By and large, protests across the country this weekend remained peaceful. Americans are exercising their Constitutionally protected rights to peacefully protest and express their opinions about the Court’s decision.
- DHS will continue working with our partners across every level of government to share timely information and to support law enforcement efforts to keep our communities safe.

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Good Afternoon,  
Please find the stoplight report for tomorrow's COS meeting attached!

Thank you!

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	Congressional	9/1/21	301	Packaged for S1	6/27/22	PLCY	9/23/21	Sen. Grassley **Senate Judiciary**	Writes with numerous questions surrounding the ongoing situation in Afghanistan.	1220484 / 21-3917	
	Congressional	8/18/21	315	Packaged for S1	6/27/22	PLCY	9/2/21	Rep. Katko +15 **CHS**	Writes requesting information regarding various components plans to combat terrorist attacks to the homeland in response to the ongoing crisis in Afghanistan.	1220103 / 21-3090	
	Congressional	8/10/21	323	Packaged for S1	6/27/22	PLCY	8/25/21	Sen. Grassley **Senate Judiciary**	Writes to request information about the ongoing transfer of certain Afghan nationals to Fort Lee, Virginia.	1219888 / 21-3096	
	Congressional	5/25/22	35	Packaged for DCOS/COS	6/15/22	CISA	6/17/22	Sen. Klobuchar (MN)	Write to express concern over the potential impact of paper supply issues on upcoming elections.	1232888 / 22-3300	
	Congressional	12/15/21	196	Packaged for DCOS/COS	2/9/22	I&A	12/30/21	Chairwoman Klobuchar +3 **HSGAC** **Senate Judiciary**	Write to request an update on the implementation of recommendations made in the joint report, Examining the U.S. Capitol Attack: A Review of the Security, Planning, and Response Failures on January 6 before December 31, 2021.	1225108 / 21-6114	
	Congressional	4/15/22	75	Packaged for	6/27/22	ICE	5/6/22	Sen. Heinrich	Writes requesting DHS	1230864 /	





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	Congressional	4/7/22	83	Packaged for DCOS/COS	5/26/22	ICE	2/28/22	Sen. Tillis (NC) +12	Writes regarding noncitizen flights from the border to the interior.	1227519 / 22-0745	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	10/22/21	250	Packaged for DCOS/COS	1/21/22	OPE	11/8/21	Council on American-Islamic Relations	Write to express several urgent concerns about September 29, 2021, announcement of the Law Enforcement Coordination Council.	1222796 / 21-4616	
	Congressional	1/21/22	159	Packaged for DCOS/COS	4/7/22	PLCY	3/4/22	Sen. Menendez +14 **HSGAC** **Senate Judiciary**	Writes regarding denial rate for Afghan seeking humanitarian parole.	1227015 / 22-0710	
	Congressional	1/7/22	173	Packaged for DCOS/COS	4/5/22	PLCY	1/28/22	Rep. Grijalva (AZ)	Writes reiterating concerns regarding the inconsistent approach of USCIS in relation to humanitarian parole applications submitted by 40,000 Afghans.	1226032 / 22-0017	
	Congressional	11/4/21	237	Packaged for DCOS/COS	4/13/22	PLCY	12/16/21	Rep. Hern OK	Writes requesting Afghanistan migrant information for the state of Oklahoma.	1223319 / 21-4680	
	Congressional	9/8/21	294	Packaged for DCOS/COS	3/17/22	PLCY	9/28/21	Rep. Katko +1 **CHS**	Writes with questions regarding the ongoing situation in Afghanistan.	1220754 / 21-3939	
	Congressional	8/27/21	306	Packaged for	1/19/22	PLCY	9/21/21	Rep. Espallat	Write to urge to	1220382 /	








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				DCOS/COS				+21 **CHS** **HAC** **House Judiciary**	designate TPS for Afghan nationals within the United States.	21-3286	
	Congressional	8/23/21	310	Packaged for DCOS/COS	2/9/22	PLCY	9/15/21	Rep. Posey (FL)	Writes to ask DHS to secure our border from any individual who would seek to bring harm to the American people.	1220207 / 21-3259	
	Congressional	4/30/21	425	Packaged for DCOS/COS	12/27/21	PLCY	5/17/21	Sen. Menendez +9 **Senate Judiciary** **SAC**	Writes to urge DHS to take additional steps to ensure federal law enforcement agencies are in full compliance with the Lautenberg Amendment.	1212961 / 21-1402	
	Congressional	6/9/22	20	With Front Office	6/28/22	CISA	7/1/22	Sen. Klobuchar (MN)	Writes regarding the security of our elections during the 2022 federal election cycle.	1233623 / 22-3348	
	Congressional	5/12/22	48	With Front Office	6/7/22	FEMA	6/6/22	Sen. Klobuchar (MN) +13	Write to ask that DHS take steps to ensure state and local governments can effectively use funds from the HSGP and State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program.	1232148 / 22-2393	
	Congressional	2/28/22	121	With Front Office	4/29/22	ICE	3/8/22	Rep. Tlaib +24 **HAC** **House Judiciary** **CHS**	Write to express concern over the drastic increase in ICE's Intensive Supervision Appearance Program (ISAP).	1228583 / 22-0830	
	Congressional	4/28/22	62	With Front Office	5/17/22	MGMT	5/19/22	Rep. Payne (NJ) +19	Write to urge S1 to show moral leadership for DHS employees that are	1231587 / 22-2384	






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									impacted by new anti-LGBTQ laws and policies adopted in several states.		
	Congressional	5/13/22	47	With Front Office	6/14/22	PLCY	6/7/22	Sen. Johnson (WI)	Writes regarding the recent politically-motivated attack on the Wisconsin Family Action office in Madison, Wisconsin.	1232217 / 22-2447	
	Congressional	1/27/22	153	With Front Office	6/24/22	PLCY	2/17/22	Sen. Grassley **HSGAC** **Senate Judiciary** **SAC**	Writes requesting information about the case of Malik Faisal Akram	1227252 / 22-0730	
	Congressional	4/26/22	64	With Front Office	5/25/22	TSA	5/17/22	Rep Norman (SC)	Writes regarding gender identity politics.	1231511 / 22-2376	
	Congressional	4/1/22	89	With Front Office	6/3/22	TSA	4/25/22	Sen. Daines (MT)	Write in response to announcement that the TSA will no longer consider gender when validating the identity of individuals at checkpoints.	1230236 / 22-1291	
	Congressional	5/24/22	36	With Front Office	6/23/22	USCIS	6/16/22	Rep. Correa CA	Writes with concerns regarding migrants at the SWB.	1232796 / 22-2496	
	Congressional	5/3/22	57	Front Office Second Review	6/29/22	ICE	5/24/22	Rep. Soto (FL)	Writes requesting that DHS and ICE investigate the reported delays at the Orlando Immigration and Customs Enforcement facility.	1231743 / 22-2403	
	Congressional	6/8/22	21	With Special	6/29/22	PLCY	6/30/22	Rep. Tlaib	Writes regarding Israel's	1233581 /	








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				Assistants				(MI)	eligibility for the Visa Waiver Program.	22-3347	
	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	9/1/21	301	With Special Assistants	6/27/22	PLCY	9/23/21	Bob Ferguson	Writes supporting the resettlement of Afghan nationals under the SIV program.	1220483 / 21-2050	
	Congressional	4/26/22	64	With Interagency/NSC	6/10/22	CBP	5/17/22	Sen. Boozman (AR)	Write to POTUS to express disapproval of a contingency plan which uses personnel from the Department of Veterans Affairs to deal with the escalation of the border crisis once the Administration rescinds Title 42.	1231452 / 22-2362	
	Congressional	6/29/22	0	With Component	6/29/22	CBP	7/21/22	Rep. Burgess TX	Writes regarding recent disruptions to passenger air travel and requests DHS remove the vaccine mandate for international travelers.	1234340 / 22-3537	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/22/22	7	With Component	6/22/22	CBP	7/15/22	Ronald D. Vitiello	Writes regarding corrective action currently being considered against United States Border Patrol agents following incidents that occurred in Del Rio, Texas last September.	1234059 / 23-3502	
	Congressional	6/21/22	8	With Component	6/21/22	CBP	7/14/22	Chairman Thompson (MS)	Writes regarding unofficial challenge coin circulating among CBP agents.	1233994 / 22-3501	
	Congressional	6/21/22	8	With Component	6/21/22	CBP	7/14/22	Rep. Payne NJ	Writes seeking assistance in rectifying a	1234010 / 22-3510	

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									matter of retaliation from a CBP employee, against a union shop steward.		
	Congressional	6/17/22	12	With Component	6/17/22	CBP	7/12/22	Rep. Payne (NJ)	Writes regarding unofficial challenge coin circulating among CBP agents.	1233951 / 22-3397	
	Congressional	6/17/22	12	With Component	6/17/22	CBP	7/12/22	Rep. Correa (CA)	Writes regarding a potential public health crisis surrounding the collection of blood plasma in the United States that is being exacerbated by a policy implemented by CBP.	1233953 / 22-3399	
	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	6/16/22	13	With Component	6/16/22	CBP	7/11/22	Gov. Lujan Grisham NM	Writes requesting DHS halt any planned or expanded efforts to transport migrants within the United States.	1233918 / 22-3391	
	Congressional	6/14/22	15	With Component	6/14/22	CBP	7/7/22	Rep. Pfluger (TX)	Writes regarding the potential release of migrants to Texas.	1233768 / 22-3359	
	Congressional	6/24/22	5	With Component	6/24/22	CBP	7/6/22	Rep. Roy (TX)	Writes requesting the release of any investigative report of CBP agents whipping migrants, and provide Members of Congress with a briefing on the investigation and proposed disciplinary action.	1234124 / 22-3511	
	Congressional	6/7/22	22	With Component	6/7/22	CBP	6/28/22	Rep. Kim (CA) +5	Write requesting information about DHS's previously procured	1233472 / 22-3342	




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									technologies and equipment to secure the border.		
	Congressional	5/26/22	34	With Component	5/26/22	CBP	6/27/22	Rep. Donalds (FL)	Write seeking clarification and answers about the supply of infant formula at CBP detention facilities along the southern border.	1233005 / 22-3301	
	Congressional	6/2/22	27	With Component	6/2/22	CBP	6/16/22	Rep. Westerman (AR) +1	Write requesting a document production on the environmental effects of migration at the southern border.	1233288 / 22-3337	
	Congressional	5/13/22	47	With Component	5/13/22	CBP	6/7/22	Sen. Johnson (WI)	Writes regarding the infant formula shortage.	1232219 / 22-2437	
	Congressional	5/12/22	48	With Component	5/12/22	CBP	5/23/22	Rep. Banks (ID)	Writes regarding the scheduled termination of Title 42 and the worsening baby formula shortage.	1232183 / 22-2446	
	Congressional	4/27/22	63	With Component	4/27/22	CBP	5/18/22	Rep. Murphy (NC)	Writes regarding 42 individuals on the TSDB were arrested while entering the country illegally.	1231538 / 22-2378	
	Congressional	4/18/22	72	With Component	4/18/22	CBP	5/9/22	Rep. Biggs (AZ)	Writes requesting extensive data on border encounters.	1230949 / 22-2311	
	Congressional	4/11/22	79	With Component	4/11/22	CBP	5/3/22	Rep. Sherrill (NJ)	Write to ask CBP how it will spend recently-approved appropriations for border security, specifically funding for new technology.	1230656 / 22-1705	




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	Congressional	4/6/22	84	With Component	4/6/22	CBP	4/28/22	Sen. Hagerty +6 **HSGAC** **Senate Judiciary**	Write to request that DHS disclose its findings of the investigation by CBP's Office of Professional Responsibility regarding horse patrol activity in Del Rio, TX in September 2021.	1230465 / 22-1729	
	Congressional	3/22/22	99	With Component	3/22/22	CBP	4/5/22	RM Comer and RM Katko **CHS**	Write requesting a document production related to apprehensions of foreign nationals with terrorist ties at the southern border.	1229743 / 22-1270	
	Congressional	11/17/21	224	With Component	12/2/21	CBP	12/10/21	Rep. Katko **CHS**	Follow up letter regarding the current state of the SWB. Ref WF: 1219887	1223717 / 21-4607	
	Congressional	6/16/22	13	With Component	6/16/22	CISA	7/11/22	Sen. Klobuchar (MN) +21	Write expressing concern about the alarming rise in threats against election workers.	1233888 / 22-3378	
	Congressional	6/24/22	5	With Component	6/24/22	CISA	6/30/22	Rep. Bishop (NC)	Writes regarding threats that left-wing extremists are making against houses of worship.	1234156 / 22-3512	
	Congressional	6/27/22	2	With Component	6/27/22	FEMA	7/25/22	Rep. Comer (KY)	Writes regarding grant program.	1234227 / 22-3521	
	Congressional	6/27/22	2	With Component	6/27/22	FEMA	7/25/22	Sen. Smith (MN)	Writes regarding infrastructure grant.	1234228 / 22-3523	
	Congressional	6/24/22	5	With Component	6/24/22	FEMA	7/22/22	Rep. Davis (IL)	Writes regarding Cornbelt FPD, Tolono	1234163 / 22-3518	












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									FPD, and Tuscola FD for their FEMA AFG applications		
	Congressional	6/14/22	15	With Component	6/14/22	FEMA	7/14/22	Sen. Warren (MA) +1	Write in support of the application submitted by the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority for the FY2022 Transit Security Grant Program.	1233806 / 22-2396	
	Congressional	5/24/22	36	With Component	5/24/22	FEMA	6/30/22	Sen. Crapo ID	Writes in support of the NSGP for the Weitzman National Museum of American Jewish History.	1232803 / 22-2498	
	Congressional	6/14/22	15	With Component	6/14/22	FLETC	7/7/22	Sen. Grassley (IW)	Writes with questions regarding FLETC closing.	1238909 / 22-3361	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/17/22	12	With Component	6/17/22	FRTF	7/20/22	Miriam Feldblum PAHEI	Writes expressing support for the Administrations work to assist students fleeing violence and humanitarian crises.	22-3393 / 1233972	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	2/15/22	134	With Component	6/23/22	FRTF	6/17/22	Claudia Tristán Immigration Campaign Director, MomsRising	Writes with recommendations regarding family separation policies.	1227961 / 22-0812	
	Congressional	5/24/22	36	With Component	5/24/22	FRTF	6/16/22	Sen. Cruz (TX)	Writes with questions regarding FRTF.	1232752 / 22-2493	
	Congressional	5/27/22	33	With Component	5/27/22	I&A	6/21/22	Rep. Turner (OH)	Writes regarding I&A's analytic activity related to COVID-19 origins and consultation with outside experts.	1233024 / 22-3302	







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	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	6/16/22	13	With Component	6/16/22	ICE	7/29/22	State Rep. Daisy Morales (FL)	Writes regarding processing times at the ICE Orlando Facility.	1233911 / 22-3396	
	Congressional	6/23/22	6	With Component	6/23/22	ICE	7/6/22	Ranking Member Johnson (WI)	Writes regarding the crisis at the southern border.	1234102 / 22-3504	
	Congressional	6/8/22	21	With Component	6/8/22	ICE	6/30/22	Rep. McClain (MI)	Write with follow up questions to a previous letter regarding illegal migration, ICE coordination with local law enforcement, and CBP's release of a man flagged by the FBI Terrorist Screening Center.	1233571 / 22-3344	
	Congressional	6/2/22	27	With Component	6/2/22	ICE	6/23/22	Rep. Ocasio-Cortez (NY) +28	Write to express concerns with the current implementation of the Guidelines for the Enforcement of Civil Immigration Law and to request that DHS publicly releases enforcement data.	1233275 / 22-3322	
	Congressional	5/25/22	35	With Component	5/25/22	ICE	6/17/22	Rep. Hinson (IA)	Writes regarding an individual on the FBI Terrorism Watchlist that was released into the country by CBP.	1232966 / 22-3310	
	Congressional	5/26/22	34	With Component	5/26/22	ICE	6/16/22	Sen. Scott FL	Writes requesting information regarding the Doyle Memorandum.	1232955 / 22-2469	
	Congressional	5/5/22	55	With Component	5/5/22	ICE	5/27/22	Sen. Moran (KS)	Write regarding an OIG report regarding	1231869 / 22-2409	

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								+6	improper use of sole source contracts for housing migrant families.		
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/16/22	13	With Component	6/16/22	MGMT	7/11/22	Vince Micone Co-Chairperson, CFC +1	Writes asking for DHS leadership to volunteer for the CFC.	1233890 / 22-3394	
	Congressional	6/13/22	16	With Component	6/13/22	MGMT	7/1/22	Rep. Connolly (VA) +1	Write requesting an update on DHS's implementation of the Modernizing Government Technology (MGT) Act and to ask about DHS's efforts to pursue adequate funding to update IT systems.	1233710 / 22-3356	
	Congressional	6/24/22	5	With Component	6/27/22	MGMT	6/29/22	Sen. Grassley IA	Writes with questions regarding how DHS plans to protect the safety of Supreme Court Justices following the recent overrule of Roe v. Wade.	1234176 / 22-3514	
	Congressional	5/20/22	40	With Component	5/20/22	MGMT	6/14/22	Sen. Grassley (IA)	Writes requesting information on how DHS has updated its procedures, including misconduct-disclosure procedures, in light of the COPS Counseling Act becoming law.	1232589 / 22-2486	
	Congressional	6/14/22	15	With Component	6/14/22	OGC	7/7/22	Rep. Jordan (OH)	Writes regarding DHS's involvement in the Biden Administration's use of federal law enforcement, with respect to school board-related threats.	1233783 / 22-3350	
	Congressional	6/16/22	13	With Component	6/16/22	OLA	7/11/22	Rep. Ross	Write to provide	1233896 /	




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								(NC)	comments to DHS's notice of proposed rulemaking, RIN 165-AC64, on DACA.	22-3362	
	Congressional	6/2/22	27	With Component	6/2/22	OPE	6/23/22	Chairman Thompson (MS)	Writes with concern that the HSAC has an absence of members who represent labor's perspective that would advocate on behalf of the Department's employees.	1233277 / 22-3323	
	Congressional	6/24/22	5	With Component	6/24/22	PLCY	7/18/22	Rep. Kind (WI)	Writes with concerns regarding reports of discriminatory treatment of American passport holders by the Government of Israel	1234171 / 22-2472	
	Congressional	6/22/22	7	With Component	6/22/22	PLCY	7/15/22	Rep. Gottheimer NJ	Writes regarding the recently published "Mapping Project" seeking information on how DHS plans to investigate and respond to DVE, HVE, and FTOs.	1234033 / 22-2471	
	Congressional	6/22/22	7	With Component	6/22/22	PLCY	7/14/22	Rep. Mullin (OK)	Writes regarding administration's plans to handle the extreme influx of migrants at our southern border in light of repeal of Title 42.	1234094 / 22-3503	
	Congressional	6/17/22	12	With Component	6/17/22	PLCY	7/12/22	Sen. Tillis +8	Writes concerning the rise in the illegal immigrant population	1233971 / 22-3500	
	Congressional	6/10/22	19	With Component	6/10/22	PLCY	6/30/22	Rep. Titus (NV)	Writes with concerns regarding the rise in Domestic Violent Extremists.	1233572 / 22-3352	




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	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	6/2/22	27	With Component	6/2/22	PLCY	6/23/22	Toks Omishakin Secretary, California State Transportation Agency	Writes regarding California's compliance with federal REAL ID Act requirements	1233263 / 22-3321	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	5/25/22	35	With Component	5/25/22	PLCY	6/17/22	HIAS +4 organizations	Write urging the administration to oppose efforts to force the continuation of Title 42 through litigation or legislation and take all legally available steps to end the policy.	1232857 / 22-3308	
	Congressional	5/19/22	41	With Component	5/19/22	PLCY	6/13/22	Rep. Gottheimer (NJ)	Writes urging the Administration to postpone ending Title 42.	1232559 / 22-2451	
	Congressional	5/18/22	42	With Component	5/18/22	PLCY	6/9/22	Rep. Gohmert (TX) +4	Write regarding Title 42.	1232414 / 22-2438	
	Congressional	4/19/22	71	With Component	5/2/22	PLCY	5/20/22	RM Jim Jordan **House Judiciary**	Writes regarding the condition of the SWB and requests data and answers to the questions posed at the upcoming Judiciary hearing.	1231036 / 22-2321	
	Congressional	4/20/22	70	With Component	4/20/22	PLCY	5/18/22	Rep. Slotkin +1 **CHS**	Writes regarding Title 42 and the Departments approach to the SWB.	1231055 / 22-2322	
	Congressional	4/26/22	64	With Component	4/26/22	PLCY	5/17/22	Rep. Schrier (WA)	Writes regarding whether the administration is	1231515 / 22-2364	




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									prepared for the end of Title 42.		
	Congressional	5/3/22	57	With Component	5/3/22	PLCY	5/13/22	Rep. Herrell NM	Writes regarding synthetic opioid epidemic and concern for the ending of Title 42.	1231777 / 22-2372	
	Congressional	4/12/22	78	With Component	4/12/22	PLCY	5/3/22	Rep. Thompson (MS) **CHS**	Writes regarding the termination of Title 42.	1230697 / 22-1797	
	Congressional	4/8/22	82	With Component	4/8/22	PLCY	5/2/22	Rep. Miller-Meeks +62 **House Judiciary** **CHS** **HAC**	Writes regarding Title 42.	1230610 / 22-1794	
	Congressional	4/7/22	83	With Component	4/7/22	PLCY	4/29/22	Sen. Tillis +20 **SAC** **Senate Judiciary** **HSGAC**	Writes concerning Title 42.	1230523 / 22-1787	
	Congressional	4/5/22	85	With Component	4/5/22	PLCY	4/27/22	Rep. Comer +18 **CHS** **House Judiciary**	Writes regarding Title 42.	1230398 / 22-1760	
	Congressional	4/5/22	85	With Component	4/5/22	PLCY	4/27/22	Sen. Tester **SAC**	Writes regarding DHS's preparedness for ending Title 42.	1230409 / 22-1758	
	Congressional	3/30/22	91	With Component	3/30/22	PLCY	4/21/22	Rep. Roy (TX) **House Judiciary**	Writes regarding S1's decision to discontinue the use of Title 42.	1230126 / 22-1725	
	Congressional	3/30/22	91	With Component	3/30/22	PLCY	4/21/22	Sen. Cornyn +21 **CHS**	Writes regarding Title 42.	1230125 / 22-1722	








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								**HAC** **Senate Judiciary**			
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	3/29/22	92	With Component	3/29/22	PLCY	4/20/22	Eddie Trevino Texas Border Coalition	Writes regarding Title 42 and the need for additional personnel on southern border.	1230094 / 22-1721	
	Congressional	3/28/22	93	With Component	3/28/22	PLCY	4/19/22	Rep. Escobar **House Judiciary**	Writes with issues concerning MPP and Title 42.	1230011 / 22-1718	
	Congressional	3/21/22	100	With Component	3/21/22	PLCY	4/12/22	Rep. Correa +2 **HSGAC** **House Judiciary** **CHS** **HAC**	Write to request an end to Title 42.	1229623 / 22-1254	
	Congressional	3/17/22	104	With Component	5/26/22	PLCY	4/8/22	Rep. Cherfilus-McCormick (FL)	Writes urging DHS end the mistreatment of Haitian asylum seekers and migrants.	1229444 / 22-0889	
	Congressional	3/16/22	105	With Component	5/26/22	PLCY	4/7/22	Rep. Jones (NY) +1 **House Judiciary**	Write to request that DHS stop deporting and expelling people to Haiti under Title 42.	1229413 / 22-1250	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	5/25/22	35	With Component	5/25/22	TSA	6/17/22	Sonya Hightower-LaBosco Executive Director, Air Marshal National Council	Writes with concerns that the Federal Air Marshal Services has directed Federal Air Marshals to go to the southwest border to assist CBP.	1232962 / 22-3309	
	Congressional	6/17/22	12	With Component	6/17/22	USCG	7/13/22	Rep. Crow CO	Writes requesting broader access to	1233967 / 22-3392	




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									abortion and other reproductive healthcare services for servicemembers.		
	Congressional	6/28/22	1	With Component	6/28/22	USCIS	7/27/22	Rep. Jeffries (NY)	Writes regarding Applications that have been submitted by constituent, Dr. Sabeel Rahman.	1234293 / 22-3525	
	Congressional	6/29/22	0	With Component	6/29/22	USCIS	7/21/22	Rep. Banks IN	Writes requesting DHS look into and reconsider the immigration status of Iranian actor Parviz Parastui's due to his support for the Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC).	1234341 / 22-3538	
	Congressional	6/27/22	2	With Component	6/27/22	USCIS	7/20/22	Sen. Shaheen (NH)	Writes to express concern about the Department's increased delays in processing applications for initial EADs	1234204 / 22-3521	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/27/22	2	With Component	6/27/22	USCIS	7/20/22	Joseph DePete Airline Pilots Association	Writes regarding airlines abusing the "special occupation" visa to overcompensate for poor employee retention.	1234212 / 22-3516	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/23/22	6	With Component	6/23/22	USCIS	7/18/22	America's Voice	Writes to request immediate review and 18-month extension and redesignation of Temporary Protected Status for Venezuela.	1234123 / 22-3505	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/24/22	5	With Component	6/24/22	USCIS	7/18/22	George Clooney	Writes in support of the humanitarian parole application of Alfateh Younous Haroun.	1234174 / 22-3519	













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	Congressional	6/14/22	15	With Component	6/14/22	USCIS	7/14/22	Sen. Schatz HI	Writes with concerns regarding how the Immigration and Naturalization Act impacts the fishing industry in Hawaii.	1233803 / 22-3371	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/3/22	26	With Component	6/3/22	USCIS	7/12/22	Jill Marie Bussey Director for Public Policy, Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service	Request to Resume Legal Services and Processing for Afghan Allies at the National Conference Center.	1233345 / 22-3339	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/17/22	12	With Component	6/17/22	USCIS	7/12/22	Almar Latour	Writes regarding concerns for the P2 Program.	1233952 / 22-3398	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	6/10/22	19	With Component	6/10/22	USCIS	7/5/22	Brian Crawford	Writes regarding suggestions related to the H-2B program	1233669 / 22-3349	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	5/26/22	34	With Component	5/26/22	USCIS	6/27/22	Wilouse Sanon Charles Fair Justice Now for All +3	Write regarding the H-2A and H-2B visa programs.	1232990 / 22-3311	
	Congressional	6/2/22	27	With Component	6/2/22	USCIS	6/23/22	Sen. Reed (RI) +6	Write asking for an extension of DED for Liberia.	1233283 / 22-3336	
	Congressional	6/7/22	22	With Component	6/7/22	USCIS	6/21/22	Rep. Jordan (OH)	Writes regarding terrorists exploiting the immigration system	1233517 / 22-3346	
	Congressional	5/26/22	34	With Component	5/26/22	USCIS	6/20/22	Sen. Markey	Write concerning the	1232998 /	

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								(MA) +7	inconsistency between the treatment of Afghans and Ukrainians seeking humanitarian parole into the United States.	22-3313	
	Congressional	5/24/22	36	With Component	5/24/22	USCIS	6/16/22	Rep. Castro (TX)	Write to urgently request your administration expand TPS protections for migrants from Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, and Nicaragua.	1232750 / 22-2491	
	Congressional	5/16/22	44	With Component	5/16/22	USCIS	6/1/22	Rep. Curtis (UT)	Write to encourage DHS and USCIS to consider innovative approaches to digitize USCIS-controlled immigration records.	1232281 / 22-2448	
	Congressional	4/15/22	75	With Component	4/15/22	USCIS	5/6/22	Rep. Velazquez (NY)	Writes requesting information and data on the administration's use of the TPS and DED programs.	1230867 / 22-2306	
	Congressional	4/1/22	89	Component Adjudication	6/17/22	CBP	4/25/22	Rep. Biggs **HAC** **CHS** **House Judiciary**	Write regarding illegal Russian immigration to America.	1230238 / 22-1293	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	3/22/22	99	Component Adjudication	6/28/22	CBP	4/20/22	Rick Tachuk AmCham Canada	Writes requesting comprehensive border policy following the pandemic and recent blockades.	1229784 / 22-1239	
	Congressional	4/14/22	76	Component Adjudication	6/27/22	ICE	5/5/22	Rep. Roy (TX) **House Judiciary** **HAC** **CHS**	Write requesting that ICE immediately release a report containing ERO enforcement data for FY21 in a comparable	1230828 / 22-1774	




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									format to the FY20 enforcement report.		
	Congressional	4/8/22	82	Component Adjudication	5/17/22	ICE	5/2/22	Rep. Cawthorn (NC)	Writes regarding visa sanctions.	1230601 / 22-1791	
	Congressional	3/11/22	110	Component Adjudication	6/16/22	ICE	4/4/22	Sen. Cruz +21 **HSGAC** **Senate Judiciary** **SAC**	Writes with concerns regarding an alleged increase in violent crimes committed by undocumented persons.	1229207 / 22-1220	
	Congressional	1/31/22	149	Component Adjudication	6/17/22	ICE	2/14/22	Sen. Johnson (WI) **HSGAC**	Writes requesting data regarding immigration encounters at the Southwest Border for the year of 2021.	1227404 / 22-0705	
	Congressional	4/11/22	79	Component Adjudication	6/27/22	OGC	5/3/22	Sen. Moran (KS) +12 **SAC** **Senate Judiciary** **HSGAC**	Write with concern regarding the security of the southern border.	1230655 / 22-1704	
	Congressional	4/13/22	77	Component Adjudication	6/24/22	PLCY	5/4/22	Rep. Porter (CA)	Writes to request DHS to release its implementation plan of the National Strategy to Counter Domestic Terrorism.	1230726 / 22-2300	
	Congressional	11/29/21	212	Component Adjudication	6/14/22	PLCY	12/21/21	Rep. McKinley (WV)	Writes how the crisis at the southern border has expedited the flow of deadly narcotics, like fentanyl into the United States.	1224042 / 21-4761	
	VIP Correspondence	5/20/22	40	Component to Transmit	6/28/22	CISA	6/14/22	David Logsdon	Writes regarding cyber security issues and	1232594 / 22-2452	




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	(Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)								funding solutions related to state and local governments.		
	Congressional	5/12/22	48	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/29/22	CISA	6/3/22	Rep. Garbarino (NY)	Writes regarding this disinformation governance board.	1232149 / 22-2445	
	Congressional	5/16/22	44	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/27/22	MGMT	6/7/22	Rep. Levin (CA)	Writes asking DHS to submit a supplemental budget request to Congress for support for CBP as Title 42 comes to an end.	1232295 / 22-2395	
	Congressional	4/11/22	79	Component to Transmit	6/24/22	MGMT	5/3/22	Rep. Gooden (TX)	Writes inquiring for more information on a DHS contract.	1230628 / 22-1795	
	Congressional	2/15/22	134	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/27/22	OLA	3/11/22	Ranking Member Comer (KY)	Writes requesting documents related to the withdrawal from Afghanistan.	1227984 / 22-0814	
	Congressional	6/8/22	21	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/29/22	PLCY	6/21/22	Sen. Grassley IA	Writes with concerns regarding the DGB and its intended role in disinformation efforts. Whistleblower.	1233485 / 22-3351	
	Congressional	5/24/22	36	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/29/22	PLCY	6/16/22	Sen. Hawley (MO)	Write to request immediate access to all records and communications related to DHS's new Disinformation Governance Board.	1232751 / 22-2492	
	Congressional	5/10/22	50	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/28/22	PLCY	6/2/22	Rep. Perry PA	Writes regarding disinformation governance board.	1232063 / 22-2432	

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	Congressional	5/9/22	51	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/28/22	PLCY	6/1/22	Rep. Van Drew TX	Writes regarding the newly created DHS "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231980 / 22-2430	
	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	5/9/22	51	Component to Transmit - OPE	6/29/22	PLCY	6/1/22	AG Wasden (Idaho)	Writes in opposition of the "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231982 / 22-2411	
	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	5/9/22	51	Component to Transmit - OPE	6/29/22	PLCY	6/1/22	AG Brnovich	Writes regarding the newly created DHS "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231987 / 22-2431	
	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	5/9/22	51	Component to Transmit - OPE	6/29/22	PLCY	5/31/22	Jason Miyares AG - Virginia	Writes regarding the newly created DHS "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231920 / 22-2414	
	Congressional	5/6/22	54	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/28/22	PLCY	5/30/22	Rep. Franklin (FL)	Writes regarding the newly created DHS "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231921 / 22-2415	
	Congressional	5/6/22	54	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/28/22	PLCY	5/30/22	Rep. Posey (FL)	Writes regarding the DHS' Disinformation Governance Board	1231943 / 22-2426	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	5/4/22	56	Component to Transmit - OPE	6/29/22	PLCY	5/26/22	Protect Democracy	Writes regarding significant concerns about the "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231821 / 22-2404	
	Congressional	5/4/22	56	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/28/22	PLCY	5/26/22	Rep. Gosar (AZ)	Writes regarding Disinformation Governance Board.	1231842 / 22-2405	
	Congressional	5/2/22	58	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/28/22	PLCY	5/24/22	Rep. Turner (OH) +1	Write requesting information on the Disinformation Governance Board.	1231690 / 22-2389	




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	Congressional	5/2/22	58	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/28/22	PLCY	5/24/22	Sen. Hagerty (TN)	Writes regarding the creation of the Disinformation Governance Board.	1231689 / 22-2388	
	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	5/2/22	58	Component to Transmit - OPE	6/29/22	PLCY	5/24/22	AG Schmitt (MO)	Writes with concerns over the Disinformation Governance Board.	1231695 / 22-2392	
	Congressional	5/3/22	57	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/28/22	PLCY	5/24/22	Sen. Blackburn (TN)	Writes regarding the DHS's recent creation of the Disinformation Governance Board.	1231729 / 22-2402	
	Congressional	4/29/22	61	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/28/22	PLCY	5/23/22	Rep. Comer (KY) +18	Write to conduct oversight over the DHS's newly created "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231641 / 22-2387	
	Congressional	5/5/22	55	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/28/22	PLCY	5/20/22	Ranking Member Katko (NY)	Write regarding the recently established "Disinformation Governance Board."	1231888 / 22-2413	
	Congressional	4/28/22	62	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/28/22	PLCY	5/19/22	Sen. Johnson (WI)	Writes concerning the DHS Disinformation Board.	1231590 / 22-2379	
	Congressional	4/28/22	62	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/28/22	PLCY	5/19/22	Sen. Hawley (MO)	Writes with concern about the Department of Homeland Security's decision to create a new Disinformation Governance Board.	1231591 / 22-2380	
	Congressional	4/6/22	84	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/27/22	PLCY	4/28/22	Sen. Hawley **HSGAC** **Senate	Writes regarding the decision to discontinue the use of Title 42.	1230454 / 22-1766	




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								Judiciary**			
	Congressional	3/10/22	111	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/27/22	PLCY	4/5/22	Sen. Lankford +1 **HSGAC** **Senate Judiciary**	Writes with concerns regarding DHS' efforts to re-implement MPP.	1229090 / 22-1219	
	Congressional	2/25/22	124	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/27/22	PLCY	3/21/22	Rep. Comer +17 **CHS** **House Judiciary**	Follow up regarding the processing of Afghans resettling to the U.S.	1228463 / 22-0819	
	Congressional	9/28/21	274	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/27/22	PLCY	10/20/21	Sen. Scott **HSGAC**	Writes regarding the multiple crises under the Biden administration.	1221700 / 21-3717	
	Congressional	9/16/21	286	Component to Transmit - OLA	6/27/22	PLCY	10/6/21	Sen. Warner VA	Writes regarding Virginia state coordination with Operation Allies Welcome.	1221022 / 21-3946	
	Congressional	5/10/22	50	Component to Transmit	6/29/22	USCIS	6/2/22	Rep. Nadler (NY)	Write regarding USCIS's regional centers and compliance with the new EB-5 Reform and Integrity Act of 2022.	1232008 / 22-2435	
	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	4/21/22	69	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	5/11/22	Gov. Mills (ME)	Writes requesting additional H-2B visas to meet the needs of Maine's economy.	1231113 / 22-2347	
	Congressional	4/8/22	82	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	5/2/22	Sen. Carper **HSGAC**	Writes regarding previously discussed USCIS issue.	1230599 / 22-1789	
	Congressional	3/24/22	97	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	4/14/22	Rep. Meng +22 **CHS** **HAC**	Writes regarding reform policies around criminal	1229906 / 22-1286	

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								**House Judiciary**	bars for DACA applicants.		
	Congressional	3/14/22	107	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	4/5/22	Rep. Matsui +25 **CHS** **HAC** **House Judiciary**	Write to express the extreme urgency to initiate and expedite consular services.	1229276 / 22-1241	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	2/15/22	134	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	3/11/22	#AfghanEvac Coalition + many NGOs	Write to request for the creation of a long term parole program for at-risk Afghans.	1227960 / 22-0811	
	Congressional	11/2/21	239	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	11/23/21	Rep. Tlaib +24 **HAC** **House Judiciary**	Write to bring attention several critical issues impacting Afghan evacuees arriving on our shores.	1223195 / 21-4682	
	State, Local, Tribal, Territorial Officials	10/14/21	258	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	10/29/21	Rep. Sena (MA)	Writes requesting that DHS sets quotas for the number of people it accepts as refugees.	1222391 / 21-3796	
	Congressional	10/1/21	271	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	10/25/21	Sen. Padilla +26 **HSGAC** **Senate Judiciary** **SAC**	Writes urging to implement a blanket waiver on fees for Afghans and their families when they apply for humanitarian parole into the United States	1221865 / 21-3740	
	VIP Correspondence (Federal Officials, NGOs, Private Sector, etc.)	8/23/21	310	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	9/15/21	Esther Brimmer	Write to urge immediate action to protect the lives of, and provide stability to, Afghan educators and students.	1220206 / 21-3258	
	Congressional	8/20/21	313	Component to Transmit	6/27/22	USCIS	9/7/21	Rep. Mikie Sherrill +10 **CHS**	Writes regarding the protection and safety of Afghan women	21-3262 / 1220167	



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								**HAC** **House Judiciary**	throughout the ongoing crisis within the country.		