October 25, 2022

The Honorable Alejandro N. Mayorkas Secretary U.S. Department of Homeland Security Washington, DC 20528

Dear Secretary Mayorkas:

As 322 religious leaders and 100 national, state, and local faith-based organizations across traditions, we write to express our deep concern over the announcement that the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is expanding the use of "Title 42" to expel Venezuelans seeking refuge at the U.S.-Mexico border (with an exception for approx. 24,000 Venezuelans who already have a sponsor in the United States). Though the Biden administration had already promised to end the policy, we urge you to immediately reverse this Title 42 expansion and invest in expanding our nation's capacity to welcome asylum seekers. This harmful Title 42 policy undermines international and U.S. law by blocking asylum access and sending people directly into harmful and dangerous conditions.

Across faith traditions and practices, the message is clear: We are called by our sacred texts and faith principles to love our neighbor, accompany the vulnerable, and welcome the sojourner. Venezuelans are facing an acute humanitarian crisis with 7.1 million Venezuelan refugees and migrants worldwide. The Venezuelan government is responsible for extrajudicial executions, persecution of political opponents, disappearances, tortured detainees, and many more violent crimes—and COVID-19 restrictions intensified this severe political, economic, and social turmoil. We are encouraged by the administration's steps to establish temporary protections for Venezuelans with U.S. ties—and we recognize the Venezuelan parole program will positively impact a comparatively low number of at-risk Venezuelans in need of (permanent) protection. Everyone deserves a safe place to call home. It is our nation's responsibility to uphold our moral and legal obligations to those seeking asylum and offer equitable opportunities for protection to Venezuelans escaping desperation and a repressive government.

Title 42 expulsions violate U.S. and international law, have no basis as a public health measure, have fueled a humanitarian crisis, and return people seeking asylum to grave human rights abuses. Since President Biden took office, there have been at least 10,318 reports of violent attacks—including rape, kidnapping, and assault—against people blocked from requesting protection at the U.S.-Mexico border and/or expelled to Mexico under Title 42, as tracked by Human Rights First. It has been used disparately to expel Black migrants, particularly Haitians, back to a country ill-equipped to support their safe return and reintegration. There are also severe physical and mental health consequences for asylum seekers expelled under the policy, particularly for children, families, and minorities. Additionally, Title 42 has increased the likelihood of repeat crossings.

As people of faith, we are ready and eager to welcome all people with dignity and urge you to take every step possible to restore and rebuild an equitable, humane, and anti-racist asylum system. Rather than basing asylum eligibility on nationality, we call on the administration to immediately reverse this Title 42 expansion and embrace the legal right to seek protection from persecution for all. Instead of entrenching immoral and unlawful anti-asylum policies, the administration should fully restore asylum protections, invest in community-based case management for asylum seekers, and scale up access to the life-saving U.S. Refugee Admissions Program (USRAP). Notwithstanding their U.S.-based supporters, Venezuelans with U.S. ties arriving through the new parole program should also have access to community-based and integration services.

Our faith traditions call us to welcome vulnerable people with warmth and open arms, and we call on the Biden administration to facilitate the humane and safe reception of people seeking refuge in the United States in compliance with U.S. law and international treaty obligations. Our places of worship and faith communities stand ready to welcome all in need of refuge.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter.

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