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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned for refugee children. It is shocking to hear that you are again considering attacks on kids- maybe longer detention or more separations. The humanitarian crises now unfolding in Central America demand a coherent response and your continuing failure is causing vast human suffering there and slower, but significant damage to society here with the first effects felt through direct family connections. You have chosen to respond only by attacking the victims (and particularly the very youngest) making the situation worse there and much worse here with parents afraid to come forward even to claim their own children. Apparently you have already forgotten the horror of your vicious separation policy of a few months ago, the surreal reality of infants litigating on their own in your expedited immigration courts and the vast and growing tent city of children in Tornillo. The moral authority of the US is being squandered.

Please assure me that you will do everything possible to help the desperate refugee children in our midst.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our respect for human rights.

Sincerely, Eric Babson