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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about human rights. Our constitution and long tradition establish protections against arbitrary detention and unreasonably obtained evidence at least in court but immigration courts violate these laws partly by falling under the executive, partly from the abdication of the courts in granting plenary immigration powers to that executive and partly from the remarkable immorality of the current executive and Generals Sessions and Barr. The wholesale violation of the Flores protocols with children fleeing to the US only to be separated from family and locked up indefinitely is particularly loathsome. There are now reports that among its other violations ICE is using the notes of therapists in these kangaroo proceedings. The seriousness of this abuse was highlighted this week with Human Rights Watch documenting 138 of the deaths resulting from people being forced back to El Salvador.

Please assure me that you will abolish ICE.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our fair courts.

Sincerely,
Eric Babson