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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned for asylees. Acting Secretary Wolf citing Secretary Azar's recent rule has used the fear surrounding coronavirus to again declare that this country will not accept asylees. Besides being immoral and illegal this is irresponsible. Since the international community took stock after the horrors of World War II the International Refugee Convention has enshrined the right to flee persecution and US law requires compliance as outlined in an order by Judge Tigar blocking a previous circumvention attempt by your administration. Forcing asylees into Mexico will clearly lead to immense suffering and violent deaths as well as swelling the refugee camps growing just outside our border and further exacerbating the pandemic.

Please assure me that you will order asylees admitted.

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

Sincerely,
Eric Babson