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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about asylum. The horrors leading up to WWII motivated our current international system and while many have since died trying to flee persecution it has both saved many others and allowed us to aspire to a more just society. You will be remembered for your cowardly attacks on those without recourse and especially children and immigrants. You leave our society more hungry, with refugee camps on the Mexican border and a much reduced beacon of hope for the world. Today you published a rule codifying in 419 pages the vicious work of General Sessions who personally intervened to reinterpret the credible fear clause and send terrorized women and children home to their deaths at the hands of gangs and abusive spouses.

Please assure me that you will focus on defending yourself not attacking others.

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

Sincerely, Eric Babson