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A comprehensive new @HouseJudiciary report on family separation puts to bed any suggestion that the Trump administration intended to reunite families.

One damning new revelation? Former CBP head Kevin McAleenan tried to keep separations going after a court ordered them to stop. <https://t.co/ORVnsA6fKi>

While HHS and ICE attempted to comply with the executive order and preliminary injunction, internal documents reveal that CBP Commissioner McAleenan was looking for ways to continue family separations. On June 29, 2018, CBP headquarters asked all Border Patrol chiefs and deputies to identify how many parents could be prosecuted and quickly reunited with their children in CBP custody each day.¹⁰⁷ In other words, CBP thought it could technically comply with the court order by separating families for only short periods of time.

READ @HouseJudiciary new report on The Trump Administration's Family Separation Policy: Trauma, Destruction, and Chaos"

551 pages (!) <https://t.co/7MDT0e9wPX#FamiliesBelongTogether>

— Philip Wolgin (@pwolgin) [October 29, 2020](#)