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Right now, President Trump is on his way to the southern border to tout his record on immigration.

It's one of chaos, cruelty, and illegality. Let's set the record straight

The Trump administration has separated over 5,500 families under its draconian “zero tolerance” policy.

Years later, at least 545 children remain separated from their parents

They have delivered tens of thousands of asylum seekers to danger in Mexico, where @humanrights1st has found 1,314 public records of rape, murder, kidnapping, torture, and assault.

They misused public health authority over the objections of senior experts at the CDC to expel children and asylum seekers to danger.

One expelled Nicaraguan dissident frantically ate his 5-page declaration listing his torturers so that the Nicaraguan police wouldn’t find it.

They imposed an illegal transit ban to deny asylum to hundreds of #refugees, including persecuted pro-democracy advocates, torture survivors, and people targeted due to their sexual or gender identities.

They refused to release asylum seekers and immigrants from detention, despite possessing the legal authority to do so.

This led to the preventable spread of #COVID in detention facilities and the infection and death of asylum seekers and immigrants.

They put unqualified, “acting” officials in leadership and legal positions, leading to illegal policies issued by illegal officials, which one federal court called:

"crashing the same car into a gate, hoping that someday it might break through.”

They reduced processing capacity at U.S. ports of entry, blocking asylum seekers from requesting protection in the U.S.

And, they summarily delivered hundreds of asylum seekers to Guatemala - a country that is not safe for refugees - without permitting them to apply for asylum in the U.S.

This is the record President Trump is touting today. One grounded in cruelty, disorder, and flagrant violation of U.S. and international law.

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