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Statement on DOJ Overturning Trump-era Rules Limiting Asylum for Immigrants Fleeing Domestic, Gang and other Violence

(NEW YORK, NY) - **The Legal Aid Society** issued the following statement in response to the United States Department of Justice [overturning](#) Trump-era rules that had severely limited asylum for immigrants fleeing domestic, gang and other violence:

“The Legal Aid Society applauds today’s decisions from the U.S. Department of Justice to invalidate draconian Trump-era rules that had severely limited asylum for immigrants fleeing violence in their home countries. This outcome upholds our nation’s legal obligations under well-established asylum laws to allow people with a credible fear of persecution to seek safe haven here in the United States. We look forward to this White House continuing to quickly reverse the xenophobic, mean-spirited and grievance-fueled immigration policies that very much defined the previous administration.”

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