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Legal Aid Statement on President Biden’s Executive Action Severely Limiting the Ability of Migrants to Seek Asylum

(NEW YORK, NY) - **The Legal Aid Society** released the following statement in response to President Joe Biden’s [executive action](#) that will severely limit the ability of migrants to seek asylum in the United States:

“This executive action, which revives unlawful Trump-era restrictions, will eviscerate our asylum system. It deprives migrants who are fleeing persecution in their home countries access to safe harbor and due process.

“What we need is humane and comprehensive immigration reform, not short-sighted policies which will only create more suffering and confusion.

“This executive action is contrary to our nation’s deep commitment to welcoming immigrants and we condemn it in the strongest possible terms.”

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