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TAHIRIH STATEMENT ON PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION RULING ON REMAIN IN MEXICO

The Tahirih Justice Center, plaintiff in a lawsuit challenging the Remain in Mexico policy, is relieved that a judge has issued a preliminary injunction in the case, forcing the policy to grind to a halt. Today Judge Seeborg ruled that Remain in Mexico must end nationwide, preserving the rights of asylum seekers and the agencies that are here to assist them.

"Remain in Mexico leaves individuals and families fleeing persecution stranded on the other side of the border, when what they need and deserve under our laws is protection in America," said Archi Pyati, Chief of Policy for Tahirih. "Tahirih represents asylum seekers who have experienced domestic and sexual violence, and we know that they need legal and social services to effectively make their claims before an immigration judge. This policy goes against basic tenets of fairness, and makes it all but impossible for us to do our jobs. We are glad to see justice served."

Archi Pyati is available for comment on this topic. Please contact dhajjar@mrss.com to arrange an interview.

About the Tahirih Justice Center

The Tahirih Justice Center is the largest national direct service and policy advocacy organization focused on assisting immigrant women and girls fleeing violence. The organization has five offices across the country and is headquartered in the Washington DC area. Tahirih monitors policy shifts that impact women and girls fleeing violence and advocate for the United States to honor its legal obligations to protect those fleeing human rights abuses.