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### TAHIRIH STATEMENT ON NINTH CIRCUIT STAY ON 'REMAIN IN MEXICO'

On February 27, 2020, the Tahirih Justice Center celebrated what we thought was an important victory in the fight to stop the harmful 'Remain in Mexico' policy, which forces asylum seekers to wait in dangerous conditions in Mexico as they await their court hearings. The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals originally ruled to halt this policy, however later that same day, the court decided to [stay the ruling](#) and allow 'Remain in Mexico' to continue, pending additional review.

"We are deeply disappointed by the court's decision, which has already sent more than 60,000 asylum seekers to Mexico, including vulnerable groups like pregnant women, children, and LGBTQ individuals," said Richard Caldarone, Tahirih Litigation Counsel. "We will continue our fight against the policy and to uphold the rights of all immigrant survivors fleeing violence and persecution".

*Richard Caldarone is available for comment on this topic. Please contact [dhajjar@mrss.com](mailto:dhajjar@mrss.com) to arrange an interview.*

#### **About the Tahirih Justice Center**

The Tahirih Justice Center is a national, nonprofit organization that serves immigrant women and girls seeking safety and justice. We amplify the voices of survivors in communities, courts, and Congress to create a world where women and girls enjoy equality and live in safety and with dignity.