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Proclamation 5732 -- National Immigrants Day, 1987

OCTOBER 28 (October 16, 1987)
By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Our national celebration of Immigrants Day is a moving reminder to us that America is unique among the nations. We are the sons and daughters of every land across the face of the Earth, yet we are an indivisible Nation. We are one people, and we are one in that which drew our forebears here -- the love of "freedom's holy Light."

This year we most appropriately observe Immigrants Day on October 28, the 101st anniversary of the unveiling of the Statue of Liberty, the beloved statue Emma Lazarus called "Mother of Exiles," from whose "beacon-hand/Glows world-wide welcome." That welcome is America's welcome, which has ever beckoned millions upon millions of courageous souls to this land of freedom, justice, and opportunity.

Immigrants have always brought great gifts to their new home on these shores -- the gifts of hardiness and heart, of intellect and hope. Two hundred years ago, immigrants were among the framers of a Constitution for these United States. They knew what they were about, for they began that charter of liberty and limited government with the words, "We the People" and created what a future President named Lincoln would call "government of the people, by the people, for the people."

One immigrant, J. Hector St. John de Crevecoeur, had described that people very well in 1782 when he wrote, "Here individuals of all nations are melted into a new race of man whose labors and posterity
will one day cause great changes in the world." This prophecy came true, and immigrants helped, and are still helping, to make it so -- immigrants to a country and a people one in mutual loyalty and one in steady devotion to "freedom's holy Light."

The Congress, by Senate Joint Resolution 86, has designated October 28, 1987, as "National Immigrants Day" and authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation in observance of this event.

Now, Therefore, I, Ronald Reagan, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim October 28, 1987, as National Immigrants Day, and I call upon the people of the United States to observe that day with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this sixteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twelfth.

Ronald Reagan

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UA LAW SCHOOL IMMIGRATION LAW CLINIC
UoF\A STUDENT WILL NOT BE DEPORTED
Adam Wallworth, "Student Citizen Concern Is Closed." ADG (11-10-11). Good news for Jonathan Chavez. And good news for NWA that we have Assist. Prof. Elizabeth Young as director of the UA Law School’s Immigration Law Clinic.

OTHER SUPPORT GROUPS:
Human Rights Immigrant Community Action Network (HURRICANE). Part of the National Network for Immigrant and Refugee Rights. Rollback the Raids, calling for a moratorium on raids, detentions, and deportations during the first 100 days of Obama’s presidency. www.nnirr.org

EXPENSIVE SYSTEM
$1 billion a year for incarcerating 400,000 illegal immigrants. Grit TV (7-3-09). Organizations trying to find new system: Breakthrough, America’s Voice, New American Media, Families for Freedom.

ROLE OF IMMIGRANT REPRESSION IN NATIONAL SECURITY STATE
Roberto Lovato, One Raid at a Time: How Immigrant Crackdowns Build the National Security State. Big government contracts to favored companies provide one-third of the Homeland Security budget going to controlling migrants. Online at www.publiceye.org

LOW INTENSITY WARFARE ALONG THE US/MEXICO BORDER
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS FOCUS ON IMMIGRATION
DELEGATES AT THE 2010 GENERAL ASSEMBLY SELECTED “IMMIGRATION AS A MORAL ISSUE” AS THEIR STUDY/ACTION ISSUE FOR 2010-2014. A NEW STUDY GUIDE, CURRICULUM, AND WORSHIP RESOURCES ARE NOW AVAILABLE. If you wish to participate in the creation of the draft immigration resolution, contact Rev. Dave Hunter, (dhunter@sbcglobal.net). Also the UUA and local UUFF support the UUSC/Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, which promotes human rights, civil liberties, economic rights, rights of people during humanitarian crises, and environmental justice.

REFUGEES, ASYLEES
Here are some sources for understanding US laws surrounding refugees and asylees.
- Asylum - Immigration Law Center on the Internet
- Political asylum in the United States, provided by the Immigration Law Center ...
- Asylum is granted by the U.S. government to people who can prove ...
- Asylum in the United States - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia
- ORG Political Asylum Research and Documentation Service; "Asylum in the United States" by Seth J. Chandler and Anne Chandler, the Wolfram Demonstrations ...
- en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Asylum_in_the_United_States - Political Asylum and Refugee Status in America

There are times when individuals find themselves having to flee their native country because they fear political or religious persecution.

www.usimmigrationsupport.org/asylumrefugee-us.html

From the McCarran Walter Act to the Patriot Act
An equally important aspect of support for asylees and refugees is the long history of US political distortion of the process of rescuing people. Here are some examples.
--The US and UK bombed Iraq for a decade during a severe embargo (causing the death of half a million children UNICEF charged) and then invaded the country under false claims of Iraqi weapons of mass destruction (resulting in five million displaced people). Any decent person would expect us to repair the damage and rescue a significant number of those who have suffered. But our immigration quota for Iraq is small, and we have never fulfilled that small quota. Little Sweden has taken more refugees and asylum seekers than has the US.
--PATRIOT ACT: Tariq Ramada was finally allowed entry to US after 6 years, the refusal a consequence of the Patriot Act. He was banned because the US gov't. accused him of giving money to a group blacklisted as a terrorist group, even though the group was not listed until a year after his donation, and the group was not listed in Europe. (Democracy Now 4-9-10).
--MCCARRAN-WALTER ACT: The fears and tyrannies of US imperial expansion
today link back to the 1952 McCarran-Walter Act of the Cold War, like the later Patriot Act another manifestation of 70 years of US permanent war-making and suppression of US liberties. Dick

1. **Political asylum in USA**
The Refugee Act of 1980 regulates U.S. asylum policy as well as governing refugee procedures. The Act, for the first time, established a statutory basis for ...

2. **Asylum - Immigration Law Center on the Internet**

Political asylum in the United States, provided by the Immigration Law Center ... Political asylum is granted by the U.S. government to people who can prove ...

3. **Refugee status and political asylum with the USCIS**
Learn more about the United States Refugee Program, the Refugee Act and how to apply for political asylum status USA.

4. **Asylum in the United States - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia**

ORG Political Asylum Research and Documentation Service; "Asylum in the United States" by Seth J. Chandler and Anne Chandler, the Wolfram Demonstrations ...

5. **Political Asylum and Refugee Status in America**
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6. **I aplied for political asylum in USA, I want to know if i can ...**
I aplied for political asylum in USA, I want to know if i can travel in other counties than Usa only with alien number?? - I'm f.

7. **US grants home schooling German family political asylum | World ...**
Jan 27, 2010 ... Couple who fled to Tennessee fearing persecution for keeping their children out of school win first case of its kind in US.

8. **USA Visa Application Political Asylum - What is the Background or ...
Political asylum is available to people already in the United States who fear returning to their home country due to actual persecution or have a...

Mexicans Facing Drug War Violence Could Seek Political Asylum

Apr 1, 2010 ... The violent drug wars in Mexico could upend efforts to curb illegal immigrants.