

United States Senate

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Alejandro N. Mayorkas
Secretary
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Secretary Mayorkas,

The Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) mission is to safeguard the American people and the country. However, the Biden Harris Administration has refused to carry out these essential functions and instead has prioritized the wellbeing of foreign nationals you have failed to screen or vet before admitting to the U.S. en masse. Furthermore, throughout your tenure as Secretary of Homeland Security, you have repeatedly abused the statutory authority granted to your office by Congress by selectively manipulating the Immigration and Nationality Act to implement mass amnesty. Programs such as the Cuban, Haitian, Nicaraguan, and Venezuelan (CHNV) Parole Program have changed the landscape of this country forever, and rural communities across the nation will bear the brunt of this ill-conceived and harmful policy for decades.

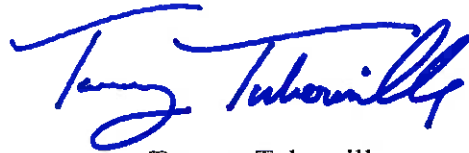
Under the guise of the CHNV Parole Program, thousands of Haitians, among other nationalities, have entered the U.S. through a simple application process whereby no background check is conducted or visa is necessary to be admitted and work lawfully. Unfortunately, but not surprisingly, verified reporting from within DHS confirms that the CHNV Parole Program is riddled with fraud. This program, which should never have been implemented, has become one that falsely presents itself with a promise of prosperity and support for aliens who are otherwise ineligible for admission to the U.S. In reality, it is a significant security concern for Americans who expect their government to conduct appropriate screening and vetting of individuals seeking admission to our country.

Due to the CHNV Parole Program, the state of Alabama is experiencing an unanticipated influx of thousands of Haitians to rural towns where resources are already strained. This sudden surge of people has created safety, health, infrastructure, and economic concerns for residents. Hundreds of Haitian children have entered local school systems, fluent only in Haitian-Creole, leaving teachers and administrators at a loss for how to manage their needs given onerous federal education requirements. Alabama towns have not received any guidance or resources to address this influx. This situation is simply untenable.

The Biden-Harris open border policies that DHS has implemented have led this country down a path from which it may never recover. These policies, which you trumpet as “humane,” have done nothing more than import scores of people into our country who have not been properly vetted. As a result, American lives and property are at risk, in direct contradiction to the mission of DHS and your constitutional responsibilities.

As I have said in previous correspondence, I look forward to the day a DHS Secretary prioritizes the safety and security of the American people.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tommy Tuberville". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping initial "T".

Tommy Tuberville
U.S. Senator