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The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas Secretary of Homeland Security Washington, D.C. 20528

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Dear Secretary Mayorkas:

This month, our office became aware that the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) is allowing migrants to pass through checkpoints using "arrest warrants" (ICE Form I-200) as their only form of identification. As the catastrophe at the border continues to explode under your lack of direction, Arizonans are extremely concerned about this policy.

In the first year of your Administration, almost two million migrants have been encountered by border officials. Hundreds of thousands of additional migrants (or 'gotaways') have escaped apprehension. A record number of illegal drugs have been seized at our border, which means more drugs than ever before are poisoning our communities.

What is occurring at our border is nothing short of chaos and lawlessness, and an increasing number of Americans are paying the price for this Administration's intentional and reckless policies -- with their safety and their lives.

Our office sued your department in an attempt to hold federal officials accountable. Your oath of office is not a suggestion, but a solemn responsibility. We will continue to do everything in our power to stop you from undermining the safety of Arizonans and the security of our state.

Until there is a federal commitment to securing the border and enforcing existing laws, our office requests that you prohibit travel through U.S. airports by any migrant that is illegally here. It is an affront to the most basic common sense to allow anyone to use an "arrest warrant" as acceptable identification to pass through government security.

Our office also requests answers to these questions:

- 1. How many migrants have used ICE Form I-200 to pass through airport security checkpoints in Arizona since January 20, 2021?
- 2. How many migrants have used ICE Form I-200 to pass through airport security checkpoints with their final destination being an airport in Arizona since January 20, 2021?
- 3. What Arizona airports are allowing migrants to use ICE Form I-200 to pass through airport security checkpoints?

Your response is requested as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Mark Brnovich