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U.S. Supreme Court Disappoints by Reinstating Portions of Trump's Infamous #MuslimBan

Albuquerque Community Declares #NoMuslimBanEver After Supreme Court's Decision to Implement a Ban on Individuals & Families Seeking Refuge

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. - Today, the U.S. Supreme Court granted the Trump administration's request to allow some provisions of its Muslim Ban to go into effect immediately. Now families fleeing violence, famine, and war around the world will face a ban into our country unless they can prove close familial relationships with someone in the U.S. to live with or visit the United States.

The following is a joint statement from local leaders and members of Listo NM regarding today's Supreme Court's decision:

"Today's decision by the U.S. Supreme Court will have a devastating effect on thousands of families seeking a better and safer life for themselves and their loved ones.

"Time and time again, courts across the country have found Trump's Muslim ban to be an assault on our national identity and a threat to our most fundamental constitutional protections. They have called it out for what it is: religious intolerance, racial animus and discrimination.

"Americans' opposition to the Muslim ban is clear. We have taken to the streets; we have marched on Washington, at our city halls and in our nation's airports. We continue to reject any and every effort by the Trump Administration to criminalize and discriminate based on our religion, where we come from or what we look like.

"Our message remains the same today and tomorrow: #NoMuslimBanEver and refugee families are #HereToStay!"

Listo NM is calling on all community members to organize in their hometowns and learn how to protect each other. The easiest way to plug in is by visiting our <u>Facebook page</u> where you can be guided to our different resources for **Know Your Rights Materials** and **Deportation Defense Resources**.

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<u>CENTRO de Igualdad y Derechos</u>, <u>NM Dream Team (NMDT)</u>, <u>Encuentro</u>, and the <u>New Mexico</u>
<u>Immigrant Law Center (NMILC)</u>- focused on supporting immigrant integration statewide and related support programs, services and advocacy, ensuring low-income immigrants have access to social and legal services for Immigration and Administrative Relief, to foster leadership development and to promote economic and civic engagement in immigrant communities.