



# End Removals to Haiti

We call on President Biden and Secretary Mayorkas to halt all removals to Haiti immediately. The humanitarian crisis in Haiti continues to worsen. The United Nations special rapporteur on human rights stated in May that, “Armed violence has reached unimaginable and intolerable levels in Haiti.”<sup>1</sup>

The numbers are shocking. The administration has expelled 26,700 Haitians since taking office,<sup>2</sup> well over 24,400 just since September of 2021. At least 9,000 of those removed have ended up in Port-au-Prince, which has seen an explosion of violence between warring gang factions.<sup>3</sup> Adding thousands of refugees into this situation is a cruelty without measure.

No other president has removed so many Haitians in such a short period of time.<sup>4</sup> Additionally, since October of 2021, the Coast Guard has interdicted at least 7,137 Haitian migrants at sea. In most cases, they have been immediately returned to Haiti.<sup>5</sup>

We join with human rights organizations and Members of Congress in calling on you to stop these expulsions. The United States should be providing humanitarian parole to Haitian refugees, not sending them back to the extraordinary dangers they will face.

**Stop the removals!**

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1. United Nations, "Haiti: Armed violence reaches 'unimaginable and intolerable levels'"  
2. Witness at the Border, "ICE Air Flights July 2022 and Last 12 Months"  
3. International Organization on Migration (IOM)  
4. Quixote Center, "Biden has deported nearly as many Haitians in his first year as the last three presidents – combined"  
5. Coast Guard, press release, "Coast Guard Repatriates 83 Haitians to Haiti"