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IRAP DEEPLY CONCERNED BY RECENT REPORTS OF HISTORICALLY LOW
REFUGEE ADMISSIONS CEILING

New York, NY – The International Refugee Assistance Project (IRAP) at the Urban Justice Center is deeply concerned by recent news reports that the Trump administration may lower the refugee admissions ceiling to less than 50,000 for the next fiscal year in his upcoming Presidential Determination. This new admissions precedent would be the lowest set by a President in over three decades.

“Lowering the refugee admissions cap to under 50,000 is simply unacceptable. As we experience the largest refugee crisis in modern history, we would be stepping down as a global leader in humanitarian response - turning away thousands of vulnerable refugees who are relying on our refugee admissions program as their last prospect for safety,” said Betsy Fisher, IRAP’s Policy Director.

IRAP continues to urge all members of Congress and other elected officials to support a Presidential Determination of at least 75,000 refugees for fiscal year 2018.