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TAHIRIH STATEMENT ON EXECUTIVE ORDER TO SUSPEND IMMIGRATION

Last night, the administration issued an [executive order](#) that will temporarily suspend some immigration to the United States. The Tahirih Justice Center condemns this order, which comes at a time— a global pandemic— when survivors need to feel comfortable seeking safety.

“This executive order will only worsen the climate of fear that was already exacerbated among immigrant communities,” said Archi Pyati, Tahirih Chief of Policy and Communications. “Immigrant survivors of violence are among the groups most vulnerable to the pandemic. Policies that attack immigrants make survivors afraid to reach out for services, putting them at higher risk of illness, homelessness, and death. During this unprecedented global crisis, we should be enacting policies that protect people who are most vulnerable, instead of policies that divide and scapegoat immigrants, making all of our communities less safe”.

Tahirih continues to serve immigrant survivors remotely during this time. Our phone lines are open to answer questions and provide resources for survivors who need support. More information can be found at www.tahirih.org/get-help.

Archi Pyati is available for comment on this topic. Please contact dhajjar@mrss.com to arrange an interview.

About the Tahirih Justice Center

The Tahirih Justice Center is a national, nonprofit organization that serves immigrant women and girls seeking safety and justice. We amplify the voices of survivors in communities, courts, and Congress to create a world where women and girls enjoy equality and live in safety and with dignity.