

Press Release



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STATEMENT REGARDING EXECUTIVE ORDER ON REFUGEES

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It is very disappointing to learn that two refugee families scheduled to arrive in Charlotte this week have been turned away. We have decades of experience in settling thousands of families fleeing persecution in their native country. These people have made a rich contribution to the life and culture of Western North Carolina. I join with my brother bishops in the effort to work vigorously to ensure that refugees are humanely welcomed without sacrificing our security or our core values as Americans. As Catholics we respond to the Biblical call to welcome the stranger, it is an act of love and hope.

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