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EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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Secretary Michael R. Pompeo
United States Department of State
2201 C Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Secretary Pompeo,

I am writing to you today as requested by Executive Order 13888 "On Enhancing State and Local Involvement in Resettlement" issued by President Trump on September 26, 2019.

Throughout our nation's history, the United States has been a refuge for individuals fleeing religious and political persecution in their homeland, and Arizona has historically been one of the most welcoming states in terms of the number of refugees resettled here. Refugees arriving in the United States have been vetted and approved by the appropriate national security agencies and Department of State and have been granted legal entry to make a new home in the land of the free.

In accordance with the above mentioned Executive Order, as Governor of Arizona, I consent to initial refugee resettlement in Arizona as per the terms of the President's Executive Order.

Sincerely,

Douglas A. Ducey
Governor
State of Arizona

cc: Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Carol T. O'Connell
Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration
U.S. State Department