

Executive Order

Locating and Reunifying the Children of Undocumented Immigrant Parents Removed by U.S. Government Agencies

By the authority vested in me as President and by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, and in order to protect the human rights of children and parents in the U.S. regardless of their immigration status, the human rights of whom are recognized by the United Nations and international law, it is hereby ordered as follows:

It shall be the policy of the United States to support the reunification of children who have been separated and removed from their undocumented immigrant parents.

The Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security shall adopt rules and practices for Immigration and Custom Enforcement strictly prohibiting causing the permanent separation and removal of undocumented immigrant parents from their U.S. citizen children.

The Secretary of State of the United States of America, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, and the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security shall locate and provide a complete and detailed list of children who have been removed from the custody and care of their parents as a result of detention or deportation proceedings initiated against undocumented immigrant parents.

The Secretary of State of the United States of America, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, and the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, working in concert with state and local governments, and working in concert with the Ambassadors of foreign nations, shall assist in the reunification of all children who have been removed from the custody and care of their parents as a result of detention or deportation proceedings initiated against their undocumented immigrant parents.

President Barack Obama