

NYC police clear encampment of asylum seekers outside Manhattan hotel

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The asylum seekers who were recently evicted from the hotel have been protesting the city's plan to house them in a 1,000-bed shelter at a remote terminal in Brooklyn. People who have been staying at the shelter told the group South Bronx Mutual Aid they have had to endure inhumane conditions including extreme cold.

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