

Global Charity Says Revised U.S. Ban Puts Refugees into Despair Again



Nairobi, March 7 (RHC-Xinhua) -- International charity said on Tuesday that it was dismayed by the new executive order on immigration and refugee resettlement issued on Monday by U.S. President Donald Trump, barring citizens of six Muslim-majority countries from entering the U.S.

The Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) said the revised ban on refugees and on travelers from six Muslim-majority nations while suspending the refugee resettlement program for 120 days bounces refugees from hope to despair again.

Joel Charny, Director of Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) USA said in a statement issued in Nairobi that the new executive order will disrupt thousands of lives due to terrorism fears without factual basis.

"The process of refugee resettlement should be orderly, not an emotional rollercoaster. For the second time in just over a month, imposing this ban further punishes families that already fled their home countries. Refugee lives are not ping-pong balls," he added.

The global charity said the ban discriminates against refugees by unjustly depicting them as a threat to the U.S, noting that refugees already go through a thorough vetting process before they enter the U.S., a process taking up to four years.

The charity further said that reducing the accepted number of refugees to the U.S. from 110,000 to 50,000 is shameful for a country so wealthy.

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