

# *U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement to Allow Jailing of Pregnant Women*

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Washington, March 30 (RHC)-- In the United States, the Donald Trump administration has ended a policy exempting pregnant women from being jailed by Immigration and Customs Enforcement. ICE says its new policy will see agents decide whether to release pregnant women on a case-by-case basis, with most women in their third trimester released.

In a statement, the American Civil Liberties Union said ICE needs more—not less—transparency and accountability, adding: “This new policy further exposes the cruelty of Trump’s detention and deportation force by endangering the lives of pregnant immigrant women.” Advocates say many women enter the U.S. seeking to escape domestic violence, with some reporting they became pregnant after surviving rape and sexual assault.

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