

U.S. activists arrested in Washington over Trump plan to gut refugee resettlement



Washington, October 17 (RHC)-- Eighteen leaders from human rights and faith organizations were arrested in a civil disobedience action protesting the Donald Trump administration's efforts to gut the refugee resettlement program.

Last month, the administration proposed accepting only 18,000 refugees over the next year. That's down from the 110,000-person limit set by then-President Barak Obama during his final year in office.

The arrests on Capitol Hill came as Secretary of State Mike Pompeo was meeting privately with congressmembers to discuss Trump's plan to cap the number of refugees admitted into the country at the lowest level since the program began four decades ago.

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