Trump administration detains 1,800 migrant children despite pandemic



Los Angeles, May 15 (RHC)-- In the U.S. state of California, The Los Angeles Times reports a 17-year-old Guatemalan boy has been held in an immigration jail for over a year — the longest held of the roughly 1,800 immigrant children in the custody of U.S. immigration authorities.

According to the newspaper, such prolonged imprisonment violates the Flores agreement, which limits the time immigrant children should be held in such facilities.

The Donald Trump administration is reportedly refusing to release children to sponsors — including some family members — claiming immigrant children are safer from COVID-19 in federal custody.



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