

ACLU to sue Biden over asylum ban at U.S.-Mexico border

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New York, June 5 (RHC)-- The American Civil Liberties Union has threatened to sue President Biden over his new executive order to temporarily shut down the U.S.-Mexico border and suspend protections for asylum seekers.

ACLU attorney Lee Gelernt said: “It was illegal when Trump did it, and it is no less illegal now.” The ACLU warned Biden’s executive order will put thousands of lives at risk. Biden announced the new policy at the White House Tuesday.

Biden made the announcement just weeks before his first debate with Donald Trump. Under the new measures, which went into effect just after midnight, the border would be closed whenever the daily average of asylum requests surpasses 2,500. It would remain closed until after the daily average falls to 1,500.

In Ciudad Juárez, Mexico, migrants seeking asylum in the United States criticized Biden’s move. Fausto Valenzuela from Ecuador told reporters: “I hope Biden puts his hand on his heart and revokes what he has in mind of closing the borders. I hope he opens his heart to all migrants we see in the world attempting to cross into the United States.”

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