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## APALA Denounces Expanded Muslim Ban

Washington, DC - Yesterday, the Trump Administration announced an expanded Muslim and Refugee Ban, which restricts travel from countries, including Chad, Iran, Libya, North Korea, Somalia, Syria, Venezuela, and Yemen. Six of these eight countries are Muslim-majority. APALA National President Monica Thammarath issued the following statement in response:

*"Let us not be fooled by the Administration's guise of 'Making America Safe.' This order is yet another attempt of a Muslim Ban and does the exact opposite of making us safe. As the Administration continues to divide our country by criminalizing immigrants, Muslims, refugees, and people of color, APALA continues to fight against hate and the emboldening of white supremacist acts of terror at home. We look forward to hearing the Supreme Court's oral argument this October 10 as our labor unions and community partners continue to join together to fight against the Muslim Ban. We have faith in our court system to once again challenge and block this ban as they have done before, and we continue to pressure our elected officials to rescind the ban and protect our immigrant and refugee community."*

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