



**The Political Asylum/Immigration Representation (PAIR) Project stands in solidarity with the thousands of Haitian asylum seekers who have come to our border and to Massachusetts seeking protection.** The media images we have witnessed of Haitians being rounded up and whipped by our government's agents are horrifying and are contrary to U.S. asylum protections meant to preserve the dignity of asylum seekers fleeing persecution. **No one should be treated with such violence and inhumanity.** Contrary to long-standing U.S. law, the asylum seekers at our border are not being given the chance to present their claims. Instead, they face imminent deportation, unlike asylum seekers already in the U.S. Having fled extreme political violence and a devastating storm that resulted in the deaths of 2,200 Haitian citizens, these men, women, and families deserve better.

PAIR is committed to ensuring that asylum seekers who turn to us are given the chance to voice why they fled to the U.S. and are able to learn about their rights and the asylum process in the U.S. We are working tirelessly to protect the legal rights of our clients and to provide free legal services, helping them navigate the complex immigration system.

If you'd like to learn more about the situation, see the link below:

<https://www.reuters.com/world/us/us-homeland-security-chief-heads-border-removal-migrant-camp-accelerates-2021-09-20/>