

Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515-4324

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The Honorable Jeh Johnson  
Secretary  
Department of Homeland Security  
Washington, DC 20528

Dear Secretary Johnson:

I am concerned about a recent *Associated Press* report stating that Administration officials have declined to inform the public and Congress about the amount of detained illegal immigrants traveling from Central America that have been released inside of the United States. The press report indicates that the Administration is aware of the figure, but so far has failed to release it to the public.

I would appreciate from you an answer to the question that has been asked repeatedly by many. How many illegal immigrants have been caught and how many have been released inside the United States in the last year? Of the total amount of illegal immigrants, how many have been unaccompanied minors? I am also concerned that many illegal aliens are failing to comply with orders to present themselves before an immigration judge after DHS releases them on their own recognizance. How many illegal aliens released by DHS in the past 12 months have failed to comply with a Notice to Appear or related legal summons ordering their appearance in court?

I would also appreciate these numbers specific for the Texas-Mexico border in addition to nation-wide. Moving forward, I would value being given monthly updated totals for these questions.

Thank you for your attention to this request. Should you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please feel free to contact me, or my Legislative Director, Scott Cunningham, at 202.225.6605 or [scott.cunningham@mail.house.gov](mailto:scott.cunningham@mail.house.gov).

Sincerely,



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