

CVT Asks the U.S. Senate to Stand with Muslim and African Communities by Passing the NO BAN Act

ST. PAUL, Minn. & WASHINGTON — The Center for Victims of Torture™ (CVT) today issued this statement urging senators to pass the NO BAN Act.

“We are encouraged by yesterday’s reintroduction of the NO BAN Act, after its passage in the House on April 21, 2021. Through their votes on this incredibly important piece of legislation, our senators can decide whether to limit future presidents’ authority to deny individuals entry into the U.S. based on their religion or national origin.

“Over this past year, privileged sectors of our nation have been awakened to the rampant discrimination sown into all aspects of U.S. society. The Trump administration’s various bans – closing the United States’ doors to refugees, asylum seekers and others – are part and parcel of this scourge of systemic racism. The NO BAN Act is an important step toward safeguarding against similar discrimination going forward. Passing the bill is a racial justice imperative. We urge senators to support it.” –Andrea Cárcamo, CVT senior policy counsel

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