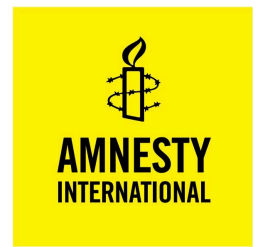


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Ambassador Sonia Guzman
Embassy of the Dominican Republic
1715 22nd Street, NW
Washington DC 20008



Dear Ambassador Guzman,

I am writing to express my grave concern regarding the thousands of recent deportations of Haitian migrants from the Dominican Republic. On 10/2/24, the Government of the Dominican Republic announced it would deport 10,000 Haitian migrants back to Haiti per week. Per International Organization for Migration, the Dominican government deported 27,000 Haitians in just the month of October 2024 alone and has deported 40,000 already. These massive deportations are a major safety concern and violate the human rights of Haitian migrants, asylum seekers, and Dominicans of Haitian descent in Dominican Republic. This expulsion of Haitians, many of whom cannot live safely in Haiti and could face persecution, violates the 1951 Refugee Convention to which the Government of the Dominican Republic is a signatory. This extreme measure does not allow for the assessment of the needs of Haitian migrants, including pregnant women, children, stateless individuals, and asylum seekers (i.e. credible fear interviews).

I urge you to reconsider these racist migration policies against Haitians on the move and prioritize the protection of human rights for all. I call on your government to immediately end the practice of collective expulsions and ensure that migration policies and practices respect and protect everyone from racial discrimination. The Dominican government must comply with international human rights obligations including the 1951 Refugee Convention.

Thank you in advance for your time on this important and urgent matter.

Yours respectfully,

Name (Print)_____ Address_____

Signature_____ City/State/Country_____