

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

December 1, 2023

Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
Washington, D.C. 20528

Dear Secretary Mayorkas,

A recently uncovered internal U.S Customs and Border Protection (CBP) document shows that, under your leadership, CBP agents have been directed to ask illegal aliens their “preferred pronouns” during encounters at our wide open Northern and Southern borders.<sup>1</sup> This document entitled "Guide to Facilitating Effective Communication with Individuals who Identify as LGBTQI+" also directs that CBP agents avoid asking illegal aliens their sex and instructs the agent to apologize if the agent "misgendered" an illegal alien. The biological sex of an illegal alien is a vital piece of information CBP, and other federal law enforcement agencies can use to identify illegal aliens and connect individuals to repeat border crossing offenses or criminal activities. These senseless guidelines hinder CBP's ability to do their job and prevent the American public from knowing the truth about who is illegally entering the United States.

It is disturbing that in a time of an unprecedented invasion of our Southern border, you would waste time and resources on advancing President Biden's left-wing culture war. In 2023, encounters at the Southern border hit a staggering 2.47 million, terror watchlist apprehensions rose 72%, and enough fentanyl was seized to kill 6 billion people.<sup>2</sup> The job of CBP is to secure our border and keep the American people safe, not to make sure the feelings of illegal aliens, MS-13, and known terrorists are not hurt while these individuals attempt to enter the United States illegally. Our CBP agents are ready to do their job and repeal the invasion at our border. Still, under the leadership of President Biden and yourself, CBP agents have been unable to take the necessary actions to restore American sovereignty. They are instead being used to pursue this administration's woke agenda. We request answers to the following questions by December 8th.

- How does asking the pronouns of illegal migrants help secure the borders and keep the American people safe?
- What actions will be taken against CBP agents who do not follow this new guidance?
- Did any individual or office within the White House request or suggest that CBP create guidance relating to preferred pronouns of illegal aliens?
  - If so, please provide our offices with these communications.
- Does the Department of Homeland Security, including CBP, acknowledge the biological reality that there are only two sexes?

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<sup>1</sup> <https://twitter.com/OversightPR/status/1725604527426998322/photo/1>

<sup>2</sup> <https://homeland.house.gov/2023/10/26/factsheet-final-fy23-numbers-show-worst-year-at-americas-borders-ever/>

- This administration has already allowed taxpayer funds to be used to facilitate abortions for unaccompanied minors. Is the Department of Homeland Security aware of any proposals to use federal funds to provide for “gender alteration” surgeries or other treatments for illegal aliens?
  - If so, please provide our offices with any information on these proposals.

The dereliction of duty shown by you and President Biden has led to the deaths of countless Americans and has allowed millions of unvetted illegal aliens to escape into the interior of the country. The open border crisis is a deliberate policy choice and choosing woke ideology over border security. We demand that CBP immediately rescind this guidance document and work to close the borders or resign immediately.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress



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Cc: Troy A. Miller, Acting Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection