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Mr. Rick Swartz
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Dear Mr. Swartz:

Hoping that this letter finds you well, I write to enclose a copy of an article printed in the *Journal on Migration and Human Security* entitled "A Statistical and Demographic Profile of the US Temporary Protected Status Populations from El Salvador, Honduras, and Haiti". As President of the Board of Trustees of the Center for Migration Studies (CMS), I asked the CMS staff to produce this important policy analysis. Both Robert Warren and Donald Kerwin have done an excellent job of stating the case for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) recipients. It is clear from their analysis that the unintended consequences of forcing these TPS recipients to return to their home countries would cause harm to close to 275,000 US-born children, not to underestimate the labor market impact where over 85 percent of these TPS recipients are employed.

As you can see, Page 588 of this article (Volume 5 Number 3-2017) gives recommendations for finding alternative repatriation. Although TPS by its own title is a "temporary" program, there also must be some permanent exit for those caught in this limbo status. For the good of our own country and those countries to which the people would be sent, some policy solution needs to be found to grant these recipients some type of permanent residency.

Thanking you for your kind attention to the important matter of the Temporary Protected Status, and with every best wish, I am

Sincerely,

Nicholas DiMarzio

Most Reverend Nicholas DiMarzio, Ph.D., D.D.
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Enclosure