



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

April 6, 2022

W. Nim Kidd  
Chief  
Texas Division of Emergency Management  
P.O. Box 15647  
Austin, Texas 78761

Dear Chief Kidd:

President Biden's own projections reveal that his decision to end Title 42 expulsions could soon result in as many as 18,000 migrant apprehensions per day. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has no real plan for addressing this unprecedented surge of illegal aliens but may resort to releasing groups of them in Texas communities whose resources are already overwhelmed. Texans cannot continue to shoulder the burdens imposed by open-border advocates in other parts of the country.

I hereby direct the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) to begin coordinating the voluntary transportation, to Washington, D.C. and other locations outside the State of Texas, of migrants released from federal custody. Mayors and county judges should promptly notify TDEM of any DHS drop-offs that may necessitate dispatching a bus, a plane, or some other means of evacuating such migrants from our State. Thank you for helping our local partners cope with this latest escalation of the Biden border disaster.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Greg Abbott  
Governor of Texas

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