

BORDER SECURITY IS NATIONAL SECURITY: RECOGNIZING KEY VULNERABILITIES

THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION'S BORDER CRISIS HAS MADE THE U.S. CRITICALLY VULNERABLE TO A TERROR ATTACK ON THE HOMELAND. HERE'S WHY:

- 1.** At least **1.7 million known 'gotaways'** have come across the border undetected in the past 32 months, and we have no idea who they are or what threat they pose to our Nation.
- 2.** There have been **more than 70,000 apprehensions of "Special Interest Aliens"** at the border. These individuals pose potential national security risks based on their points of origin or travel patterns.
- 3.** **At least 282 Known or Suspected Terrorists** have been apprehended at the southern border while crossing into the U.S. illegally from FY21-23 an all-time record.
- 4.** Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has actively warned that **terrorists inspired by the current Israel-Hamas conflict may attempt** to enter the U.S. through the southern border.
- 5.** Because Border Patrol is processing surges of migrants, **they cannot properly conduct security vetting**, especially counter-terrorism border interviews for illegal aliens on our watchlists.
- 6.** **The Mexican drug cartels**, who work with Islamic terrorists to further their illicit criminal activities, **are raking in billions of dollars** from human trafficking and smuggling.
- 7.** CBP has **released** over **95% of all inadmissible aliens who used the CBP One App to enter our country**, including individuals from Iran and additional countries which harbor the Taliban, ISIS, and other terrorist groups.
- 8.** The Biden Administration **allowed nearly 100,000 unvetted, visa-less Afghans into the U.S.** after the withdrawal from Afghanistan in August 2021.