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THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO REGRETS PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION OF DEFERRED ACTION PROGRAMS

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The Government of Mexico, through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, regrets the decision of a Federal Judge in the Southern District of Texas in Brownsville granting a preliminary injunction of the implementation of the expanded version of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program and the Deferred Action for Parents of Americans and Lawful Permanent Residents (DAPA) program.

As a result of this judicial order, the expanded DACA program and the DAPA program will be temporarily suspended while the lawsuit filed by 26 states is resolved on its merits. It is important to note that the DACA program announced on June 15, 2012, which has benefitted nearly half a million Mexicans, will remain in effect as well as the cancellation of the “Secure Communities” program.

The Embassy of Mexico and its consular network in the United States will closely follow the subsequent judicial stages of this process. Additionally, we reiterate that these programs are a fair remedy for millions of families and have the potential to strengthen the important contributions that Mexican immigrants make to the American economy and society.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs calls on the Mexican community in the United States to stay informed on the developments of the review process of this judicial order through official channels such as our 50 consulates.

The Mexican community in the United States is welcome to visit their nearest consulate; call the Center for Information and Assistance for Mexicans (CIAM) which operates daily at [1 855 463 6395](tel:18554636395); download the free of cost app for mobile devices “MiConsulmex”; follow official social media accounts of our consular representations; and tune in to radio and television spots featuring our consuls.

Additionally, we warn the community of possible immigration frauds and scams. To date, and as a result of the preliminary injunction, there is no process to

apply, nor are applications being accepted, for benefits from the expanded DACA program or DAPA.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs will continue assisting Mexican nationals in obtaining consular documents and identifications. The Embassy and the consular network in the United States will double their efforts to provide information and assistance to all Mexicans who require it, regardless of their immigration status.