U.S. deports Honduran children seeking asylum to Guatemala despite being sick



Dallas, January 23 (RHC)-- In the U.S., a Honduran mother and her two young daughters have been deported to Guatemala despite pleas from lawyers and advocates to halt the deportation because the two children had been ill and recently hospitalized.

The family's attorney said the girls — ages 18 months and 6 years old — were in no condition to be deported, but a federal judge in McAllen, Texas, upheld their removal. Over 200 Honduran and Salvadoran asylum seekers, including at least 50 children, have already been deported to Guatemala.

Meanwhile, the Mexican National Guard attacked members of a caravan of asylum seekers at the Guatemala-Mexico border as the government of Andrés Manuel López Obrador seeks to prevent the asylum seekers from reaching the United States border.

Troops with riot gear were filmed chasing and pushing asylum seekers, who are mostly from Honduras, tackling them to the ground and throwing what appears to be tear gas.

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