

Ending Biden Parole Abuse/CBP One App

Administration Policy:

This week President Trump issued an Executive Order (EO) titled [Securing Our Borders](#). Section 7 of the EO terminates the Biden administration's categorical parole programs and prohibits the CBP One app for being used to parole or facilitate the entry of aliens who are otherwise inadmissible to the United States. Specifically, this section terminates a [categorical parole program](#) called "Processes for Cubans, Haitians, Nicaraguans, and Venezuelans" (CHNV), which allows illegal aliens to be flown into the United States as long as they have "(a)ny U.S.-based individual with lawful status," to support them.

[Section 212\(d\)\(5\)\(A\) of the Immigration and Nationality Act](#) provides authority for the parole of individuals on a *case-by-case basis* for urgent humanitarian reasons or significant public benefit. It also establishes that parole is temporary and should not be treated as admission for an alien into the United States.

Background:

- In response to criticism of the Biden Border crisis, the Biden administration [abused](#) the statutory purpose of their parole authority to admit hundreds of thousands of aliens who would otherwise be inadmissible through categorical parole and by allowing the CBP One app to facilitate the parole process.
- Under former President Biden, use of the CBP One app was [expanded](#) to enable appointments at U.S. ports of entry for anyone located in Mexico and to request entry under the CHNV program.
 - According to the [America First Policy Institute](#) (AFPI), this increased the number of illegal immigrants encountered at Ports of Entry by more than 1,250 percent over the course of the Biden administration.
- Last Congress, the House Homeland Security Committee [revealed](#) that in 2023, 320,000 otherwise-inadmissible aliens were flown into the U.S. through parole programs and the CBP one app and that roughly 96 percent of them were released into the U.S. with a notice to appear in court without further monitoring.
- The DHS Office of the Inspector General (OIG) released a [report](#) on August 19, 2024 which found that the ability to verify an applicant's information on the CBP One app was subject to fraud and exploitation.
- On November 20, 2024, the House Judiciary Committee released a [report](#) detailing fraud in the CHNV program, including the parole of 80,000 aliens not located in the CHNV countries and the use of supporters of parolees who submitted fraudulent documents or stated that their income to support the parolee came from criminal activity.