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TPS decision will bring unnecessary human suffering

Cristosal released a statement in response to the recent decision to terminate temporary protected status for hundreds of thousands of Salvadorans living legally in the United States. Read the whole statement here.

We urge political decision-makers in the United States to exercise global leadership by developing an immigration policy that upholds human rights principles.

Extrajudicial killings in El Salvador

Human rights organizations have documented a pattern of permissiveness and impunity
"Humans rights cannot be treated as an added extra to be traded off in moments of national crisis. They must be embraced as the foundation of security and peace." 
Executive Director Noah Bullock

Cristosal in the news

Cristosal's work garnered significant attention in major Salvadoran newspapers last month, including two articles from La Prensa Grafica (translated into English at the links below):

- How forced displacement affects unemployment
- Protections ordered from the Supreme Court for families forcibly displaced by violence
Why are these appeals so important? Find out more here.

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Regarding the President's comments about El Salvador, Haiti, and African countries

"The most revealing part of his statement was the pretension that somehow the United States' foreign and domestic policy and national interests exist in isolation of the conditions in the rest of the world. This is the foreign policy doctrine of our current government, the 'America First' world view.

The El Mozote massacre, the largest murder perpetrated on the American continent in modern times, is emblematic of the interconnectivity between Central America and U.S. policy and interests. The horrors of the U.S.-funded civil war period ignited the first two waves of Salvadoran migration to the north. An incomplete peace process led to the
On a personal note, I am proud and honored by my colleagues at Cristosal who are supporting the prosecution of the military officers responsible for the massacre at El Mozote, and who last year provided life-saving assistance to over 400 victims of the violence affecting El Salvador today."

Noah Bullock, Cristosal Executive Director