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Five-year-old deported to Honduras despite being US citizen is latest child victim of Trump crackdown

Mother whose visa application was pending says she will send girl back to US soon accompanied by another relative



📷 'The day I separate from my daughter will be the most painful of my life,' Génesis's mother said. Photograph: Claudia Mendoza

Claudia Mendoza in Santa Cruz de Yojoa, Honduras, and Tiago Rogero in Rio de Janeiro

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Five-year-old Génesis Ester Gutiérrez Castellanos misses her cousins, classmates and kindergarten teachers in Austin, Texas. Despite being a US citizen, she was deported on 11 January alongside her mother, Karen Guadalupe Gutiérrez Castellanos, to [Honduras](#), a country Génesis had never known.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents were acting on an administrative deportation order against Gutiérrez, 26, issued in 2019, before Génesis was born.

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