



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10007

January 9, 2020

The Honorable Michael R. Pompeo
Secretary of State
2201 C Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20520-0099

Dear Secretary Pompeo:

This letter is in reference to Executive Order 13888, "*On Enhancing State and Local Involvement in Resettlement.*"

Refugees contribute to our city in innumerable ways, enriching our economy, culture and society.

As Mayor and Chief Executive Officer of New York City, I consent to initial refugee resettlement in New York City, as per the terms of the Executive Order. New York City comprises the five boroughs and counties of Manhattan (New York County), Brooklyn (Kings County), the Bronx (Bronx County), Staten Island (Richmond County), and Queens (Queens County).

This consent is valid unless and until withdrawn, and is provided without making any endorsement regarding the legality of the Executive Order.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill de Blasio".

Bill de Blasio
Mayor

cc: Carol T. O'Connell, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Population,
Refugees, and Migration, U.S. Department of State