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## Adrian Dominican Sisters Deplore Ban on Muslim Brothers and Sisters

*March 9, 2017, Adrian, Michigan – The General Council of the Adrian Dominican Sisters issued the following statement in response to President Donald Trump’s revised Executive Order impacting Muslim refugees.*

*You shall not wrong or oppress a stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt.  
Exodus 22:20; 23:9; Leviticus 19:33-34*

President Trump’s revised Executive Order banning immigrants from six predominantly Muslim countries, and halving the number of refugees the United States accepts, undermines our standing in the world as a nation of liberty that offers refuge to people fleeing from persecution and violence. Intelligence from our own Department of Homeland Security shows that country of origin is an unlikely predictor of potential terrorist activity.

As American citizens and Catholic Sisters, we deplore what can only be seen as a ban on our Muslim brothers and sisters and a diminishment of our nation’s embracing spirit of liberty for all.

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The Dominican Sisters of Adrian, a Congregation of about 675 vowed women religious and more than 200 Associates, traces its roots back to St. Dominic in the 13th century. The Sisters minister in 26 states; the District of Columbia; and in five other nations: Canada, the Dominican Republic, Mexico, Norway, and the Philippines. The Congregation’s Vision is to “seek truth, make peace, reverence life.”