

23rd Feb 2020,

T.DON HURTO Residential Center,

1004 Welch street,

Taylor, Tx 76574.

Dear Sir / Madam,

A Cry For Help.

It is with great honour and also heavy hearts that Cameroon women in TDHRC write to you. We are refugees from Cameroon seeking refuge and protection in the United States because there is war in our country and we are not safe there. Some of us have been kept here in detention for 3-7 months and have not yet been judged.

When we got here, we were told we won't be released on parole because of the July 16th law, so we have to remain in detention and follow our cases. Some of our sisters have gone through the court proceedings to the last and have been failed despite all what is happening in our country. Some of us, even after appealing are being forced to sign deportation and parole denial letters against our will.

The population of African women in this facility is about 300 and more than 200 of that population are Cameroonians and the population keeps increasing on a daily bases.

Some of our sisters are sick and not being well treated. Others are running mad due to trauma and stress.

One person is on a wheelchair who needs surgery and many others with serious health conditions who also need surgery but are being neglected. The medical department is very rude to us, they tell us we're pretending to be sick even when someone is in serious pain, they laugh and mock at your medical condition, they give wrong medication to patients and they don't attend to you when you really need medical attention.

Being in detention for more than 6 months as refugees we've never seen any Human Rights Official or Organizations for Refugees or even posts on notice boards. When we asked the ICE Supervisor; Mr Nicholas Fowler, he told us he doesn't have any connection with the Human Rights Committee or any UN Organization.

We are being treated unfairly and there is a lot of discrimination between the African women and the whites. Almost all the white women we came in with and even others who came after us have been released on parole and bond but we've been denied both parole and bond.

There is also continuous increase in commissary prices and we are being told the profits are used to provide recreational activities and maintenance in the facility. The little money we have in our accounts are being drained by the outrageous commissary prices.

We will really be happy and grateful if you intervene and help us get out of here.

Southern Cameroon Refugees.