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Vice Chair Patricia Timmons-Goodson & Commissioner Michael Yaki to Speak to Caucuses of the House of Representatives on the Commission’s Report: Trauma at the Border: The Human Cost of Inhumane Immigration Policies

Wednesday, December 4, 2019 | Washington, DC

On December 4, at a Member of Congress-level panel discussion, Vice Chair Patricia Timmons-Goodson and Commissioner Michael Yaki will speak about the Commission’s October 2019 report, Trauma at the Border: The Human Cost of Inhumane Immigration Policies. The panel is jointly hosted by the Congressional Hispanic Caucus (CHC), Congressional Black Caucus (CBC), Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus (CAPAC), and Congressional Progressive Caucus (CPC).

Trauma at the Border focuses on the separation of thousands of migrant children from their parents, and the housing and medical care provided to asylum seekers and other immigrants while detained. The report concludes that the impact of separating immigrant families and indefinite detention is widespread, long-term, and may inflict irreversible physical, mental and emotional trauma. Despite an Executive Order purporting to stop family separation, there remain credible allegations that family separations continue. Vice Chair Timmons-Goodson’s submitted written remarks may be viewed here.

• Patricia Timmons-Goodson, Vice Chair, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights
• Michael Yaki, Commissioner, Chair of Report Subcommittee, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights
• Congressman Joaquin Castro, Chair, Congressional Hispanic Caucus
• Congresswoman Linda T. Sánchez, Immigration Task Force Chair, Congressional Hispanic Caucus
• Congresswoman Nanette Diaz Barragán, Second-Vice Chair, Congressional Hispanic Caucus
• Congresswoman Judy Chu, Chair, Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus

DATE:

Wednesday, December 4, 2019, 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm ET

LOCATION:

U.S. House of Representatives, 2253 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515
Live stream will be available here.

Vice Chair Timmons-Goodson will be available for press interviews.

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