STATEMENT ON NEW TRUMP POLICY TO FAST-TRACK DEPORTATIONS FOR UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS, ERODING DUE PROCESS RIGHTS

(NEW YORK, NY) – Hasan Shafiqullah, Attorney-in-Charge of the Immigration Law Unit at The Legal Aid Society, issued the following statement today responding to a new policy by the Trump Administration that would fast-track deportations for undocumented immigrants:

“This is a further erosion of due process and yet another attempt by the Trump Administration to advance its xenophobic agenda. The new policy will essentially ratify racial profiling and sow fear in our communities, pushing immigrant families further into the shadows. In these dire times, we will continue to fight back against these inhumane policies and maintain that all people have rights and should be entitled to their day in court.”

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