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## Measures to Lessen US-Mexican Border Crossings Put Migrants in Greater Danger

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In the latest effort to tamp down the number of people crossing the U.S.-Mexico border, Donald J. Trump's administration introduced the *Interim Final Rule* (IFR). This *new rule*, that went into effect on Tuesday, automatically denies asylum to migrants who travel through other countries by land and arrive in the U.S. without having first sought asylum in those countries.