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KNOW YOUR RIGHTS!

If you are stopped by immigration or the police:

- ⇒ **Hand this card to the officer, and remain silent.**
- ⇒ **The card explains that you are exercising your right to refuse to answer any questions until you have talked with a lawyer.**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Please be informed that I am choosing to exercise my right to remain silent and my right to refuse to answer your questions. If I am detained, I requested to contact an attorney immediately. I am also exercising my right to refuse to sign anything until I consult with my attorney. Thankyou.

⇒ **You have the right to remain silent. You may refuse to speak to immigration officers.**

- Don't answer any questions. You may also say that you want to remain silent.
- Don't say anything about where you were born or how you entered the U.S.

⇒ **Carry a know-your-rights card and show it if an immigration officer stops you.**

- The card explains that you will remain silent and that you wish to speak with an attorney.

⇒ **Do not open your door.**

- To be allowed to enter your home, ICE must have a warrant signed by a judge. Do not open your door unless an ICE agent shows you a warrant. (They almost never have one.) If an ICE agent wants to show you a warrant, they can hold it against a window or slide it under the door. To be valid, the warrant must have your correct name and address on it.

- You do not need to open the door to talk with an ICE agent. Once you open the door, it much harder to refuse to answer questions.

⇒ **You have the right to speak to a lawyer.**

- You can simple say, "I need to speak to my attorney."
- You may have your lawyer with you if ICE or other law enforcement questions you.

⇒ **Before you sign anything, talk to a lawyer.**

- ICE may try to get you to sign away your right to see a lawyer or a judge. Be sure you understand what a document actually says before you sign it.

⇒ **Always carry with you any valid immigration document you have.**

- For example, if you have a valid work permit or green card, be sure to have it with you in case you need to show it for identification purposes.
- Do not carry papers from author country with you, such as a foreign passport. Such papers could be used against you in the deportation process.

⇒ **If you are worried ICE will arrest you, let the officer know if you have children.**

- If you are the parent or primary caregiver of a U.S. citizen or permanent resident who is under age 18, ICE may "exercise discretion" and let you go.

**** Because Donald Trump has made many anti-immigrant statements, ICE and other law enforcement officers may think they can get away with violating your rights.**