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Mr. Michael R. Pompeo, Secretary
U.S. Department of State
2201 C Street NW
Washington DC, 20520

Dear Secretary Pompeo:

This letter is in reference to Executive Order 13888, "*On Enhancing State and Local Involvement in Resettlement.*"

North Carolina was one of the first states to welcome refugees to the United States after the United States Refugee Act was signed into law in 1980. Our state has a strong network of community and faith-based groups which aid in resettlement of refugees who seek safety from persecution.

As Governor of the State of North Carolina, I consent to initial refugee resettlement in the state of North Carolina as per the terms of the Executive Order. Please contact Jordan Whichard, Director of my Office of Intergovernmental Affairs at (919) 814-2124, should you have any questions.

With kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Roy Cooper".

Roy Cooper

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