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Quick Summary

Women’s Refugee Commission developed a [one-pager](#) on Title 42 and the Asylum procedure at the U.S-Mexico border. It explores the Title 42 regulation and its detrimental effects on individuals, families, and children seeking safety in the U.S. The one-pager also discusses what would happen if the regulation were to end and calls advocates to support its end.

UNICEF, CARE, and other civil society groups have endorsed [Nourish the Future](#), a “5-year proposal to scale up the most lifesaving nutrition interventions in the hardest hit countries.” The proposal outlines a strategy for the U.S government to take a

multi-sectoral, integrated approach to eliminate malnutrition in children. It includes the adoption of the [“Power 4 Package”](#) which provides four integrated health and nutrition programs to ensure children thrive.

The Protection Working Group of the Global Coalition on Youth, Peace and Security released a [report](#). “If I Disappear: A global report on protecting young people in civic space.” The report and research builds on the tireless advocacy efforts of those young people, policy and decisionmakers, civil society organizations, academics, artists, and others, who have tried to bring concerns about their shrinking civic space to the attention of the international community. It intends to fill some of the existing information gaps and offers recommendations for better protection of youth.” To download the full report, click [here](#). To watch a summary video on the high level report launch event, please click [here](#).

Virtual Events

- World Alliance for Citizen Participation, Global Fund for Children, and Restless Development’s [virtual discussion](#). “Reimagining the Future of Funding for Youth Action.” **9 August, 2021 11am ET**
- Part Five of the Transforming Children’s Care [webinar series](#), “ The Impact of COVID-19 on Privately Run Residential Care Institutions.” **10 August, 2021 8-9:30am ET**
- The Coalition for Adolescent Girls and Kakenya’s Dream are hosting a [virtual webinar](#) titled, “Girls Take the Mic: Setting the Agenda for a Post-COVID World,” in celebration of International Youth Day. **12 August, 2021 10am ET**
- Global LEAD #WhatOurImpact Dialogue’s International Youth Day [virtual commemoration](#) with USAID Administrator Samantha Power and UNICEF Generation Unlimited’s Youth Ambassador Ilwad Elman. **12 August, 2021 9-10:30am ET**
- Inclusive Education and Early Childhood [Community of Practice](#) **18 August, 2021 9 AM ET**
- August Global Campaign for Education-US [Coalition Meeting](#) **31 August, 2021 10 AM ET**

Legislative Updates

Representatives Michael McCaul (R-TX), Gregory Meeks (D-NY), Young Kim (R-CA), and Chrissy Houlahan (D- PA) introduced the Global Malnutrition Prevention and Treatment Act of 2021 ([H.R. 4838](#)). This bill authorizes USAID to advance targeted interventions to prevent and treat malnutrition around the world, ensure a continued focus on multi-sectoral nutrition programs, and require robust monitoring of these

interventions to ensure effective use of taxpayer dollars. In [individual statements](#), all original sponsors of the bill emphasized the risks of malnutrition facing children and the need to invest in children's nutrition to improve their futures.

Congresswoman Grace Meng (D-NY) has reintroduced the Youth, Peace and Security Act ([H.R. 4838](#)) in the House. This bipartisan bill requires the Department of State to coordinate the development and implementation of a whole-of-government strategy to promote the inclusive and meaningful participation of youth in peace building and conflict prevention, management, and resolution, as well as post-conflict and recovery efforts. It also includes progressive language around the protection of young people in the peace and security space and a strong emphasis on the integration of the YPS agenda into existing global security strategies including the Global Fragility Act; Women, Peace and Security Act; and the Atrocity Prevention implementation plan.

This bill endorsed by the U.S. Youth, Peace and Security Coalition and its affiliates. If you are interested in endorsing this legislation, please visit the coalition's website [here](#)

Reports, Articles & Resources

- **ECPAT International's** [submission](#) to the call for input released by the Office of Special Rapporteur on the Sale and Sexual Exploitation of Children to inform the thematic report on gender dimension of the sale and sexual exploitation of children and the importance of integrating a human rights-based and non-binary approach to combating and eradicating sale and sexual exploitation of children.
- **Child Health Task Force's** [virtual panel recording](#), "Early Childhood Education and Nutrition."
- **The World Bank's** [article](#), "Ending Violence in Schools: what we know and how to accelerate progress."
- **Legal Action Worldwide's** [policy brief](#), "The light has disappeared. Enforced disappearances in Syria and their impact on children and young people."
- **Ms. Magazine's** [article](#), "Women, Power and Peacebuilding: Assessing the Women Peace and Security Agenda."



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