

Funding the Future

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The New York Times has, in an email this morning, noted that:

President-elect Donald Trump confirmed [yesterday] that he intended to declare a national emergency and use the US military to assist in deporting millions of undocumented immigrants. He responded “TRUE!!!” to a post by a conservative activist summarizing the strategy.

Stephen Miller, Trump’s top immigration policy adviser, described similar plans during the campaign. He said the military would be used to build “vast holding facilities” for migrants as their cases progressed, and suggested that Trump might invoke a public health emergency power to curtail the hearing of asylum claims.

I cannot be alone in thinking that there are horrible overtones to all this. A very large population - totalling maybe more than ten million people - are threatened with being rounded up, denied of their property and liberty, to then be interned in camps before their forcible transportation.

Is the world really going to stand by and watch this happen?

Are the people of the USA going to watch this happen?

Have we learned nothing from history?