

Statement or Declaration Guidelines Describing the Urgent Humanitarian Crisis in Afghanistan

This declaration is included as a supplement to your I-313 form

The statement should include:

- Description of humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan (e.g. Taliban have taken over the entire country, have made death threats against those who aided the Americans).
- Length of time for which beneficiary needs parole. You can state that the current State that the beneficiary intends to regularize status in the United States, and describe how they will regularize status (e.g. beneficiary will apply for asylum, or family member will petition for them).
- Reason why visa cannot be obtained (e.g. US Embassy in Kabul is closed).
- The statement should be signed by the petitioner.

Attach documentation of the above (e.g. country conditions reports, news articles). Some examples of articles you may want to include:

- Embassy closed: <https://af.usembassy.gov/visas/>
- Taliban's danger: <https://www.amnesty.org/en/latest/news/2021/08/afghanistan-taliban-responsible-for-brutal-massacre-of-hazara-men-new-investigation/>
- Christians are being targeted by Taliban:
<https://www.nbcnews.com/news/world/afghanistan-s-religious-minorities-live-fear-taliban-brace-persecution-n1277249>
- <https://www.persecution.org/2021/08/23/christians-afghanistan-call-help-new-reports-persecution-surface/> and
- <https://www.ucanews.com/news/dangers-multiply-for-afghan-christians-under-taliban-rule/94045#>

- Blacklists: <https://www.nbcnews.com/news/world/taliban-carrying-out-door-door-manhunt-afghans-blacklist-report-says-n1277231> / <https://apnews.com/article/europe-race-and-ethnicity-taliban-e51255ff3d954e8f95bea4dc1c209b32>
- Women are unsafe: <https://www.cnn.com/2021/08/17/asia/afghanistan-women-taliban-intl-hnk-dst/index.html> / <https://time.com/6091712/afghanistan-women-loss/> / <https://www.reuters.com/world/asia-pacific/afghan-women-bankers-forced-roles-taliban-takes-control-2021-08-13/>

<https://www.thestar.com/news/canada/2021/11/06/afghan-women-desperate-to-escape-taliban-rule-we-dont-know-how-long-we-can-hide.html>
- Journalists are unsafe: <https://www.hrw.org/news/2021/04/01/afghanistan-taliban-target-journalists-women-media#>
- Students unable to go to school: <https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/2021/08/10/afghanistan-girls-education/>
- No free speech: <https://apnews.com/article/afghanistan-taliban-protest-kabul-jalalabad-61e4bfcc8027e3952ee85c448773299b>