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AFGHAN-LED ORGANIZATIONS URGE IMMEDIATE PASSAGE OF THE AFGHAN  
ADJUSTMENT ACT

Washington D.C. – Today, as we near the one-year mark since the fall of Kabul, the Afghan-American community welcomes the [Congressional introduction of the Afghan Adjustment Act](#), a vital and bipartisan piece of legislation. The Afghan Adjustment Act would offer a pathway to legal status for the tens of thousands of Afghans left in limbo since their evacuation from Afghanistan last August.

“Passing the Afghan Adjustment Act would be one step towards fulfilling one of the many promises the US has made to their allies, especially Afghan women,” says Helal Massomi, a 27-year old Afghan women’s rights activist, who was evacuated to the United States last summer. “For people like myself, the Afghan Adjustment Act is the sole pathway to safety and a future in the United States.”

Thousands of Afghans who were evacuated to the United States last summer had to endure the traumatic journey of having to flee their homeland., They should not be forced to individually relive that trauma through burdensome legal processes. This legislation would ensure that they do not have to. The United States must keep its solemn promise to them by wasting no time in ensuring the successful passage of this bill through both chambers of Congress. Historically, the U.S. has done so for Cuban, Vietnamese, Iraqi, and Cambodian refugee populations after they were forced to flee war and persecution in their native countries. We will not rest until the same happens for Afghans.

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