

President Donald Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW,
Washington, DC 20500

RE: A Wisconsin Prisoner requests deportation
Lene Cespedes- Torres #122605

July 25, 2018

Dear President Trump,

I am part of a non profit that works with prisoners and their families and have known Lene Cespedes -Torres for most of the 18 years I have been doing this work. He came here at 16 on the Mariel Boatlift and lied about his age, changed his name from Lenin to Lene. He knew little of the language and in was convicted of murder soon after. He has always maintained his innocence and has been a model prisoner. He was convicted under what we call in Wisconsin "old law" which means the prisoners were given long sentences knowing they could get out after 25% of their time was served if their behavior was good. In his case, with a life sentence, he was eligible after about 13 years- since 1994- AND the judge ordered deportation upon release.

Here is where you can be a real hero- his family has been waiting for him all these years. The WI DOC is not releasing anyone unless they by law have to and the statutes are so vague that the Department of Corrections can legally hold these 22000 men, 3000 of which are parole eligible and about 40 percent are in prison for "supervision" rule violations (nonfelonies). The over crowding and lack of rehabilitation is causing suffering on an unheard of scale.

There is no reason for Lene to still be entombed, he is a wonderful person and is needed back with his family. Please do the right thing and see this man gets deported soon.

Peg Swan

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Here is his full information:

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