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Migrants in Precarious Conditions on the Mexico-US Border

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Mexico, Dec 11 (Prensa Latina) Hundreds of Central American migrants live in precarious conditions in the camps in Tijuana along the border with the United States, Save the Children and the National Human Rights Commission of Mexico reiterated on Tuesday.

Both institutions agree that more than 500 members of the migrant caravan, including 100 children, sleep in tents in poor conditions while waiting for a solution to their situation in Tijuana, for which they call on local authorities to take special protection measures for minors and adolescents.

Thousands of people still spend the night in that locality of Baja California, located mainly in the El Barretal hostel, while half a thousand sleep outside the Benito Juarez sports stadium in unhealthy conditions.

Azucena Garcia, a spokesperson for Save the Children, said they were concerned about the situation of children who have suffered from respiratory diseases and hunger and who, he said, arrived at the southern border of the United States 'to escape the violence of organized crime.'

The activist reiterated the launch of a campaign to collect signatures in favor of

mechanisms to safeguard the rights of minors, in adherence to the Global Compact for Secure, Ordered and Regular Migration, adopted in Marrakech, Morocco, which establishes a basis for collaboration among different countries in order to protect the rights of millions of migrant children.

For its part, the National Commission issued 21 precautionary measures directed to authorities of the federal, state and municipal orders to provide 'support based on respect for human rights' to the members of the caravan that is in Tijuana.

According to this institution, Central American migrants reach almost 10,000 especially women, girls, children and adolescents, pregnant women, elderly and disabled, who require care priority.

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