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They were asylum seekers and refugees in Minnesota. Still, ICE detained and flew them to Texas to face deportation

Two days after Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents in Minnesota reportedly tackled a home caregiver from sub-Saharan Africa to the snowy pavement and took her away in a van, a close friend made the 1,400-mile journey to a controversial [Texas detention facility](#) where she's being held.

"She was so surprised to see me," said her friend, Justin, a 40-year-old home caregiver who asked his full name not be used for fear of retaliation. "She never believed that anybody knew where she was."



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