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Over 50,000 unaccompanied children cross the border to the US annually. Most of immigrants come from Mexico, Honduras and Guatemala. This has led to a serious humanitarian crisis as the children are kept in detention centers before being released to the border in desperate conditions. It is noted that the border crisis is different from other crises as politics is involved. Assuming an intergovernmental perspective, the crisis provides an insight into the issues facing governments.

Poor immigration legislation and policies pose a challenge to many governments. Many of these children are taking advantage of the provision allowing them to stay as long as they cross the border. The law should be applied equally instead of favoring children from Central America by according them temporary residency.

Addressing issues of poverty would be a welcome idea. In this regard, governments should devise measures to eradicate poverty. With a strong economy, the US has the power to initiate development projects in the areas of origin of the immigrants with an aim to dissuading them from moving. Addressing the loopholes found in labor laws can also contribute to resolving the problem. The position is held since immigrants are exploited as they work for less pay. Additionally, neighboring governments should improve border security to ensure that only legal movement takes place. Such a move would boost the security of the adjacent countries.

Another aspect that should be addressed is corruption and insecurity. In the current case, Mexico has a high crime rate and many organized gangs leading to high levels of insecurity. This forces the children to look for safer places. Corruption also facilitates illegal movement of children to the border as smugglers do

everything to be paid. In conclusion, unaccompanied children crossing the border should be discouraged as it builds a humanitarian crisis besides leading to an increase in the number of illegal immigrants. Neighboring states must adopt a common approach in order to solve the problem.