



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR-ELECT
FREMONT, REPUBLIC OF FREMONT

June 13, 2023

Dear Governor:

I write today to provide you with formal notice that the Republic of Fremont will withdraw from the El Paso Contract with immediate effect upon my inauguration, and will no longer give any effect to the aforementioned interstate compact.

While I appreciate that the Southern border is a complex issue which affects both of our States, I do not believe that the approach entailed by the El Paso Contract is humane or consistent with the exclusive federal jurisdiction over immigration. Moreover, I have serious doubts about whether the ratification of this agreement by the previous Administration was consistent with State law, which requires that all compacts which commit the disbursement of State funds—as a National Guard deployment necessarily would—be ratified by the State Legislature.

While this may mark the end of our States' joint work on this compact, I hope that you do not view this action as a repudiation of the deep friendship between Dixie and Fremont. I look forward to cooperating with you in the future on common endeavors that affect communities in both of our States, from community safety to water management.

Respectfully, I remain,

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Governor-elect