

Congressman Barletta challenges President Obama over immigration order

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IPC staff lawyer Ben Winograd was quoted in a story about the legality of the Obama Administration's deferred action memo:

The Obama administration did not return requests for comment, but Ben Winograd, an attorney at the American Immigration Council, an advocacy group for immigrants, said Barletta is interpreting the law too broadly.

"The idea that anyone who successfully sneaked across the border must be automatically detained and placed in removal proceedings — no administration has followed that interpretation of the law since 1996," Winograd said.

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But Winograd said such "nibbling around the edges" — as opposed to an attempting to pass a law that would overturn Obama's order — is evidence that House Republicans are not serious about stopping the policy.

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