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Dear Ilana Luna:

On 2/3/2016 the ASU IRB reviewed the following protocol:

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| Type of Review:     | Initial Study   |
| Title:              | Parallels and Meridians: A Transatlantic Comparative Study of Unaccompanied Minors Seeking Asylum   |
| Investigator:       | Ilana Luna  |
| IRB ID:             | STUDY00003798   |
| Funding:            | None  |
| Grant Title:        | None  |
| Grant ID:           | None  |
| Documents Reviewed: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Parallels and Meridians protocol, Category: IRB Protocol;</li><li>• Questions for semi-structured interview, Category: Measures (Survey questions/Interview questions /interview guides/focus group questions);</li><li>• Recruitment Script, Category: Recruitment Materials;</li><li>• Informed Consent, Category: Consent Form;</li><li>• Thesis Proposal, Category: Other (to reflect anything not captured above);</li></ul> |

The IRB determined that the protocol is considered exempt pursuant to Federal Regulations 45CFR46 (2) Tests, surveys, interviews, or observation on 1/29/2016.

In conducting this protocol you are required to follow the requirements listed in the INVESTIGATOR MANUAL (HRP-103).

Sincerely,

IRB Administrator

cc: Maria Tomasini  
Maria Tomasini  
Ilana Luna

## Informed Consent for Participation Form

### Parallels and Meridians: A Transatlantic Comparative Study of Unaccompanied Minors Seeking Asylum

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I am inviting you to participate because you are an adult (18 years old or older) that had/has knowledge on the topic of unaccompanied minors. Your participation will involve taking part in a semi-structured interview expected to last between 30 to 45 minutes. You have the right not to answer any question, and to stop participation at any time.

If you choose to participate in this study, please make sure no personal identifiable data regarding unaccompanied minors is being disclosed during the interview in order to safeguard their privacy.

Your participation in this study is voluntary. If you choose not to participate or to withdraw from the study at any time, there will be no penalty.

This research aims to describe the connections between these two flows of unaccompanied minors in great detail. With the outcomes of this research, I am not particularly looking for generalizations but to "tell stories" that lead to a better understanding and questioning of the asylum process and to inspire and spark further research in the field. There are no foreseeable risks or discomforts to your participation.

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If you have any questions concerning the research study, please contact the research team at: [ilana.luna@asu.edu](mailto:ilana.luna@asu.edu) (Dr. Ilana Luna) or [mtomasin@asu.edu](mailto:mtomasin@asu.edu) (Lujan Tomasini, MA). If you have any questions about your rights as a subject/participant in this research, or if you feel you have been placed at risk, you can contact the Chair of the Human Subjects Institutional Review Board, through the ASU Office of Research Integrity and Assurance, at (480) 965-6788. Please let me know if you wish to be part of the study.

By signing below you are agreeing to have your name used as part of this research.

Name: ANDREA M LEFORE

Signature:



Date: 03 FEBRUARY 2016

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Name: Federico Rivas

Signature: 

Date: 02/10/2016

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Name: *Morgan Wehner*

Signature



Date:

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