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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Migrant Surge]

NATE BURLESON: Border officials in Texas say they are overwhelmed by a new surge in asylum seekers.

JOHN KIRBY [on FNC's *Your World with Neil Cavuto*, 12/13/22]: We are thinking through what that expiration would mean.

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Migrant Surge at the Border; El Paso, Texas Sees Influx of Migrants in Recent Days]

GAYLE KING: We have an update on a crush of migrants entering the U.S. in El Paso, Texas. Drone video shows them lined up at the river that separates the city from its Mexican neighbor Juarez. Some 2,400 people sought to enter this country along that border — along that part of the border, rather, on Sunday alone. Border officials say they are just overwhelmed, and they need help. Lilia Luciano is in El Paso this morning with more on this story. Lilia, good morning.

LILIA LUCIANO: Gayle, good morning. Over the last year and a half, there's been an increasing number of migrants and asylum seekers coming across the U.S./Mexico border. In this city, El Paso, is now at a breaking point. When we landed last night, we saw dozens of asylum seekers and migrants camping out at the airport. Many had waited along the Rio Grande River to get to U.S. soil after crossing several countries. Title 42 is a policy that was implemented by the CDC under the Trump administration which allows for quick expulsions as a way to curb the spread of COVID instead of letting people stay and make their case for asylum. Last month, a judge ruled that Title 42 must be lifted on December 21st. That is a week from today, saying that the policy was unlawful. Here in El Paso, shelters are full and local authorities are asking the Biden administration and Congress for emergency funds to manage the crisis, as well as an emergency federal shelter so people are not left to sleep at the airport or at bus stops or worse, eventually out on the streets. Tony?

TONY DOKOUPIL: Lilia, thank you very much.