El Paso Sector’s Daily Communications Report
February 20, 2018

1. Family members protest in front of Clint BP Station
2. Woman arrested following Valentine’s Day cocaine seizure
3. OFO change of command at the Santa Teresa POE
4. Buscan usar fondos federales para pagar tiempo extra a agentes
5. Two arrested in ongoing drug trafficking investigation
6. Santa Fe lawyer confirmed as U.S. Attorney for NM
7. Leaders reject wall on border
8. The ranching life: Brothers in rural Hidalgo face nearly 2 hr. school commute
9. Border Patrol recognizes 60 agents, staff with promotions, awards
10. Migrant advocates say U.S. is separating parents from children to discourage illegal immigration and asylum requests
11. Border Patrol proposes solution to stop illegal immigration crossings
12. Pence during border visit: Trump make a commitment to the American people, we’re honoring that
13. BP Union President: Agents destroying water jugs are humanitarian
14. Colorado’s absurd proposal to issue ‘Purple Cards’

1. Local – ABC 7 reports Jaquez family members conducted a protest in front of BP agent Luis Chavez’ duty station demanding closure.
   ABC 7 - Protest Clip

2. Local - A woman is behind bars after allegedly attempting to bring about 14.5 pounds of cocaine into the country from Mexico, U.S. Customs and Border Protection announced Friday.
   KTSM 9
   ABC 7
   El Diario de El Paso
   KFOX 14 - Cocaine Seizure Clip

3. Local – KFOX 14 reports that OFO has announced a new Port Director at the Santa Teresa Port of Entry.
   KFOX 14 - OFO STR Change of Command Clip

4. Local - La ciudad de El Paso ha aplicado de manera conjunta con el Condado de El Paso, así como las ciudades de Anthony, Horizon, Socorro y San Elizario, desde el inicio del programa en el 2009. Este año el subsidio para la región será de 1.8 millones de dólares.
   El Diario de El Paso
5. Local - According to the news release from task force, Eric Hess, 57, of Carlsbad, and Truitt McDonald, 50, of Carlsbad, were both arrested last month for possession of methamphetamine.  
  [Current-Argus]

6. Local - With a swift voice vote, the U.S. Senate on Thursday confirmed Santa Fe lawyer John C. Anderson to serve as the federal government’s top prosecutor in New Mexico.  
  [Santa Fe New Mexican]

7. Local - There are some Democrats from non-border states, unfamiliar with our natural treasures and unaffected by intrusive interior Border Patrol checkpoints, who seem ready to give way on funding the border wall.  
  [Albuquerque Journal - NM ACLU]

8. Local - It is a place of peace and beauty and significant risk: Drug smugglers have used the ranch roads to illegally move dope across the border. Last month, the Border Patrol found 61 bundles of marijuana — weighing 1 ton, with a street value of $1.5 million — hidden near a dirt road.  
  [Santa Fe New Mexican]  
  [NM Political Report]

9. Regional - Border Patrol officials, Congressional representatives, and other prominent officials joined together to recognize 60 Border Patrol agents and supporting staff during a promotion and awards ceremony in Laredo, Texas.  
  [Breitbart]  
  [Breitbart - Laredo BP Awards Clip]

10. Regional - According to public defenders and immigrant advocates, more and more immigrant families who come to the southern border seeking asylum are being charged in federal criminal courts from El Paso to Arizona.  
  [LA Times]

11. National - During Vice President Mike Pence’s visit to the Rio Grande Valley last week, local Border Patrol Agents proposed their solution to stop illegal crossings.  
  [KGBT 4]  
  [KGBT 4 - BP Solution Clip]

12. National - In an interview with “Fox & Friends” near the Rio Grande River which aired on Monday, Pence told host Ainsley Earhardt that a wall is vital to U.S. security.  
  [Western Journal]  
  [FOX News - VP Pence Interview Clip]
13. National - Brandon Judd is the agency’s union president. He recently told a House Natural Resources committee that agents are not destroying the supplies, contradicting video evidence provided by the group No More Deaths.

Fronteras

14. National - The bill, sponsored by State Rep. Dan Pabon, a Democrat, would allow anyone who has paid state taxes for at least two years and hasn't had a felony in three years to be eligible for a "purple card", which would in this weird Confederacy 2.0-esque plan, give them permanent legal status.

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DAILY QUAD REPORT
JUNE 12, 2017

Trending Press/Social Media

**NEWS:** Border Patrol Union: Equipment Operation connected to 8 Cancer Cases
Humanitarian Aid Camp Under Threat of US Border Patrol Raid

**SOCIAL:** Willcox finds 68 lbs MJ Aftermarket Compartment 958 Impressions

CBP West Texas Verified account @CBPWestTexas 19h19 hours ago

Acting Deputy Commissioner Ronald D. Vitiello tours the U.S. Border Patrol academy in Artesia and learns about the training curriculum

No More Deaths @NoMoreDeaths 14h14 hours ago

URGENT: Border Patrol agents have surrounded and are actively surveilling the No More Deaths humanitarian aid camp. Stay tuned for updates

KatieB @RavenNightMyst 18h18 hours ago

#Retaliation #Corruption DHS May Terminate Border Patrol Chief for Reporting Corruption

Blasting Open Border Policy [http://watch.us/W7mN7x](http://watch.us/W7mN7x)

Pending News Releases/Tweets

**ECB:** PR + Statement – NMD Warrant
PR + Tweet (English and Spanish) Heat Advisory
PR 911/transferring ajo assets
PR OASIS (with Tino for review)
PR HPU/K-9 6/16 training is over (PR started, need more details)

**Upcoming Events ECB:**
6/1 Mexico Feed Families Campaign
6/1 Bloomberg Photo Shoot
6/20 ride along with Phoenix Channel 12 on BSI at Mex Consulate in Phoenix

**Completed Activities/Events/Media Releases**

**ECB:** Interview with ASU Cronkite news, deaths and rescues
PR + Tweet – Concealed compartment Willcox
PR 911/transferring ajo assets

**ICB:** WOD banners for training, Photo/Video - HPU/K9 training, KVOD News Story Pull, IDS Slides: heat advisory slides, IPT solicitation, WXC DPAIC, Retirement Banner, Parse Video Submitted to IDS, Wildfire info posted to main page

**BCL:** –Coordinated with ACTT on tour for Sheriff Napier
- Mexican Consulate Information Table
- Reviewed request from K-9 department for presentation at Pima Community College, request was approved

**MMP:**

**TU:**

**PLLA:**
Events and Seizures

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• Seized 269.85 pounds of marijuana near (b) (7)(E)

• Seized 87.50 pounds of marijuana and apprehended 4 LA mules near (b) (7)(E). All subjects were processed for prosecution. (b) (7)(E)

• Apprehended 2 IAs near (b) (7)(E)
Additional Stats/Information

- Conducted/participated in the following training: Team Technical Rescue, Paramedic, EMT Refresher, TSM, Rifle Course and Low Light Urban Movement.
- Provided Mobile Field Force and medical support to checkpoint during a planned protest by No More Deaths. There were no protest related incidents at the checkpoint.
- swept the 2016 CFC Championship Games with victories in the wheelbarrow race and pie eating contest.

*For accuracy, K9 and PK9 statistics are compiled monthly from Sector K9 Sit-Reps. Current stats through 10/29/2016

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As previously discussed, our work conforms to the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement as outlined in Annex VI: Code of Conduct for the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and NGOs in Disaster Relief (see attachment). As Non Governmental Humanitarian Agencies (NGHAs) under the code, our protocols adhere to the principles of the Code of Conduct:

1. The Humanitarian imperative comes first. The right to receive humanitarian assistance, and to offer it, is a fundamental humanitarian principle which should be enjoyed by all citizens of all countries. As members of the international community, we recognize our obligation to provide humanitarian assistance wherever it is needed. Hence the need for unimpeded access to affected populations is of fundamental importance in exercising that responsibility. When we give humanitarian aid it is not a partisan or political act and should not be viewed as such.

2. Aid is given regardless of the race, creed or nationality of the recipients and without adverse distinction of any kind. Aid priorities are calculated on the basis of need alone. Human suffering must be alleviated wherever it is found; life is as precious in one part of a country as another. Thus, our provision of aid will reflect the degree of suffering it seeks to alleviate. The implementation of such a universal, impartial and independent policy, can only be effective if we and our partners have access to the necessary resources to provide for such equitable relief, and have equal access to all disaster victims.

3. Aid will not be used to further a particular political or religious standpoint. Humanitarian aid will be given according to the need of individuals, families, and communities.

4. We shall endeavor not to act as instruments of government foreign policy. NGHAs are agencies which act independently from governments. We therefore formulate our own policies and implementation strategies and do not seek to implement the policy of any government.

5. We shall respect culture and custom

6. We shall attempt to build disaster response on local capacities

7. Ways shall be found to involve program beneficiaries in the management of relief aid

8. Relief aid must strive to reduce future vulnerabilities to disaster as well as meeting basic needs

9. We hold ourselves accountable to both those we seek to assist and those from whom we accept resources

10. In our information, publicity and advertising activities, we shall recognize disaster victims as dignified humans, not hopeless objects.
It is clear that in recent times the borderlands of the Tucson Sector, where we provide humanitarian aid, fit the description of a disaster, "a calamitous event resulting in loss of life, great human suffering and distress" (Annex VI). We "recognize disaster victims as dignified humans, not hopeless objects." Since 2001, the Pima County Board of Supervisors has declared a public health emergency in the Tucson Sector. In 2012, the Tucson medical community declared the area to be a humanitarian disaster, with known deaths being over 2500 since 2001.

The Code states that “the right to receive humanitarian assistance, and to offer it, is a fundamental humanitarian principle which should be enjoyed by all citizens of all countries.” Furthermore, those providing aid have the right to act independently from governments. Aid priorities are calculated on the basis of need alone.

Governments should recognize and respect the independent, humanitarian, and impartial actions of humanitarian aid agencies. Annex VI, Annex I)
The principles of the relationship between the Tucson Sector of the Border Patrol and the humanitarian aid organizations No More Deaths, Tucson Samaritans, Ajo Samaritans and Green Valley/Sahuarita Samaritans should include:

1) All water, food, clothing, and medical supplies placed in the field by humanitarian aid organizations to prevent suffering and death should be protected from destruction, tampering, or removal by government agents.

2) All humanitarian aid volunteers should be protected from threats of arrest, detention, or citation by government agents.

3) Medical treatment provided by humanitarian aid agencies should be recognized and respected by government agents and should be protected from surveillance and interference.

4) All Border Patrol agents in the Tucson Sector will be trained in the Red Cross Code of Conduct, the principles of our relationship, and respect for the independent mission of the humanitarian organizations.

Signed __________________________ Date __________

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On January 23, 2018, U.S. Border Patrol agents assigned to the Ajo, Arizona Station assisted the Pima County Sheriff's Department (PCSD) executing a search warrant at a property associated to the No More Deaths non-governmental organization.

CURRENT SITUATION:

- Media interest is expected.

BACKGROUND:

- On January 17, 2018, several illegal aliens and a US citizen were arrested in Ajo Arizona. The USC stated he was part of the No More Deaths non-governmental organization.

- On January 22, 2018, at approximately 5:15 p.m. MST, members of the Ajo Station served a search warrant in Ajo, Arizona.

- Agents were accompanied by the Ajo Station and a K-9 agent. The Pima County Sheriff’s Department (PCSD) were also present to provide perimeter security.

- Agents searched for any illegal aliens or other persons that might be present on the property. No one was found.

- The K-9 conducted an open air sniff in and around the perimeter in an attempt to locate any hidden contraband or people who were hiding. No contraband or hidden persons were located anywhere on the property.

BACKGROUND CONTINUED:

- The collected evidence for an ongoing investigation. Agents photographed the area and all of the evidence they collected. The entire event was videotaped from beginning to end. There were two primary structures located on the property. The main structure, which appeared to be living and dining quarters and a manufactured wooden shed containing large amounts of canned goods and water.

- At approximately 6:15 p.m. MST, PCSD cleared the area.

- At approximately 8:21 p.m. MST, all remaining Border Patrol Agents cleared the area. A copy of the search warrant was left at the property on the front door.
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Daily Media Summary
January 24, 2018

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

• Hundreds of international, national, and local outlets reported Sen. Chuck Schumer (D-NY) rescinded an offer of $25B for the border wall. President Trump’s reply to Schumer on Twitter stated, “if there is no Wall, there is no DACA.”

• Approximately 10 national and local outlets such as, WBZ-TV (Boston, MA), The Boston Globe, and Associated Press reported the seizure of nearly $30k at Logan Airport. The traveler violated currency reporting laws and failed to report the correct amount presented to CBP officers. The traveler also concealed an additional $10k he had sewn into his pants pocket.

• Reports that Border Patrol agents boarded a Greyhound bus asking passengers for proof of citizenship increased. Approximately 40 outlets such as The Miami Herald and WPLG-TV (Pembroke Park, FL) covered the storyline. The @CustomsBorder account addressed the subject in a tweet that clarified immigration law as it relates to this case; the post received exceptional user engagement on the social media platform.

TOP NEWS

1. The Latest: Schumer pulls back money to fund Trump’s wall
   (Associated Press)

The Senate’s top Democrat, Chuck Schumer, is pulling back an offer of $25 billion for President Donald Trump’s southern border wall. The turnaround comes as lawmakers scramble to make a deal to protect from deportation 700,000 or more young immigrants in the country illegally since childhood. Schumer had made the offer to head off a government shutdown, but his party’s liberal activist base has criticized the New York Democrat and others for not getting more concrete promises on immigration. The shutdown battle complicated the already difficult search for an immigration pact. GOP hard-liners appear emboldened, while Democrats are absorbing withering criticism from progressives. Neither development seems likely to push the combatants toward the compromises needed to produce a bill that can pass the House and the Senate.

2. Customs Agents Catch Traveler Flying With $10,000 Sewn Into His Pants
   (WBZ-TV; 27.3M uvm; Boston, MA)

VIDEO: Customs agents seized more than $29,000 in cash from a traveler at Boston’s Logan Airport last week, including $10,000 sewn into his pants. Officials with U.S.
Customs and Border Protection say the 51-year-old American arrived on a flight from Israel Jan. 18 and told officers he was carrying $7,000 and another $7,000 for a friend. He ended up presenting about $18,000, and then further inspection showed he had even more bills sewn into his pants pocket. “There is no limit to how much money a traveler can carry, but it is important to honestly declare the total amount to CBP Officers during inspection,” said Boston Area Port Director Clint Lamm in a statement. “This seizure exemplifies that violating currency reporting laws can have serious consequences.” Customs agents seize an average of $289,609 daily along the borders, according to the agency.

3. **Trump said he’d round up ‘bad hombres.’ How did a Jamaican grandma get on that list?**
   (The Miami Herald; 8.9M uvm; Doral, FL) … Fabiola Santiago

VIDEO: Faced with outcry over Beverly’s case, U.S. Customs and Border Protection issued this statement: “FACT: Immigration law states that Immigration Officers, without a warrant, may ‘within a reasonable distance from any external boundary of the U.S. … board and search for aliens in any vessel, rail car, aircraft, conveyance, or vehicle.’” To which the ACLU, which is partnering with the Coalition on these cases, fired back: “In practice, Border Patrol agents routinely ignore or misunderstand the limits of their legal authority in the course of individual stops, resulting in violations of the constitutional rights of innocent people. These problems are compounded by inadequate training for Border Patrol agents, a lack of oversight by CBP and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, and the consistent failure of CBP to hold agents accountable for abuse. Thus, although the 100-mile border zone is not literally ‘Constitution free,’ the U.S. government frequently acts like it is.”

**NEWS INDEX**

**BORDER SECURITY**

**Along U.S. Borders**

4. **Border Patrol accused of targeting aid group that filmed agents dumping water left for migrants**
   (Washington Post; 43.9M uvm) … Amy B. Wang

VIDEO: A Border Patrol spokesman denied that the agency had targeted the aid group because of the video. “It’s not retaliation,” Carlos Diaz, a spokesman for U.S. Customs and Border Protection, told The Post. “We’re protecting immigration laws in the area, and there was a situation in which we needed to do the arrest because there were some illegal individuals in that area.”

5. **President Trump’s claim that ‘we’re way down’ in people crossing the border**
   (Washington Post; 43.9M uvm) … Salvador Rizzo
VIDEO: Trump says he has curbed illegal immigration in his first year in office, pointing to data from U.S. Customs and Border Protection on the number of people apprehended while trying to cross the U.S.-Mexico border in 2017. It is not the first time that a politician has offered these apprehension figures as evidence of getting tough on illegal border crossings. We gave One Pinocchio to Trump in April 2017 when he said immigration was “61 percent down now in terms of illegal people coming in,” and we gave Two Pinocchios to then-Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson in 2015 when he said “apprehensions at the Southern border … are now at the lowest levels in years.”

6. **Border Bike Trip, Day 4: Real Economic Growth Amid the Chaos in Tijuana**
   (The Weekly Standard; 2.1M uvm) … Grant Wishard

Before biking into Tijuana, we took a tour of the San Ysidro border crossing, the busiest land crossing in the world. Two agents at Customs and Border Protection generously came into work early to show us what they do day to day. At 7 a.m. the place was already a parking lot, packed with traffic from Mexico. It’s at this choke point that the most drugs and illegal immigrants pass into the United States. The vast majority of drivers are, of course, regular commuters, and searching every car would be a disruption to the legitimate economy. According to some estimates, San Ysidro is worth $1,000,000 a minute to the U.S. economy.

7. **Woman detained on bus in Fort Lauderdale was illegally residing in US, CBP agents say**
   (WPLG-TV; 2.1M uvm; Pembroke Park, FL) … Amanda Batchelor and Madeleine Wright

VIDEO: A woman who was escorted off a Greyhound bus in Fort Lauderdale last week by federal agents was residing in the U.S. illegally, a U.S. Customs and Border Protection spokesman said Tuesday in an email. CBP spokesman Jim Burns said agents were performing an immigration inspection Friday at a Fort Lauderdale bus station when agents identified the passenger who had overstayed her tourist visa. Burns said the woman was arrested and taken to the Dania Beach Border Patrol station before being turned over to Immigration and Customs Enforcement. "Border Patrol agents routinely conduct law enforcement activities at transportation hubs as part of a layered approach to preventing illegal aliens from traveling further into the United States," Burns said. "These operations are conducted at strategic locations that serve as conduits for human and narcotic smuggling, disrupting criminal organizations from further exploiting this mode of transportation."

8. **Border agents find dog wandering with bullet in his jaw in southern Arizona**
   (KTVK-TV; 1.1M uvm; Phoenix, AZ)

VIDEO: This dog is "lucky" to be alive after border agents found him wandering with a bullet in his jaw near the Arizona border. "Lucky" is a 3-year-old coonhound and now he needs a forever home. According to the Arizona Animal Welfare League, border patrol agents saw Lucky wandering around the Southern Arizona desert. AAWL officials
said that agents noticed the dog had a bump in his head and were shocked when X-rays showed it was a bullet. Lucky was shot with a 9mm bullet found lodged into his bottom jaw. AAWL said that doctors believe the bullet entered between his eyes due to a dent in the middle of his head. Despite all of that, AAWL spokesman Michael Morefield said that Lucky is approachable to the public. "You would think that a dog that was shot and dumped in the desert would be scared of people or shy, everybody is Lucky's friend," he said. "There are no strangers to Lucky. He runs up and greets everybody." Lucky is now up for adoption at the Animal Welfare League's main shelter on 40th and Washington streets.

9. **More undocumented immigrants arriving to the border despite Trump's rhetoric**  
(KENS-TV; 446k uvm; San Antonio, TX) … Oscar Margain

VIDEO: A year into Donald Trump’s presidency, the number of undocumented immigrants being detained at the border is rising. Promises to end ‘catch-and-release’ have gone unfulfilled and many immigrants are willing to risk it all to come to the U.S. It’s 6 am in Alamo, Texas; time for the morning prayer at Resurrection Catholic Church. By the church’s count, there are 102 people gathered at the parish dining hall who fled other countries to be in the United States. Many are parents and children like Rogelio Cedillo and his son Rogelio Jr. He departed from El Salvador two weeks ago, leaving his wife and 5-year-old daughter behind. Cedillo considered migrating to the U.S. five years ago. The turning point came when his 20-year-old son was killed last month and he received death threats. It’s a story echoed by the majority you talk to in this dining hall. President Trump’s strong rhetoric on immigration made people like Cedillo think twice before coming here during the first months of his presidency, but not anymore. In the last 8 months, the U.S. Border Patrol has seen a steady increase in southwest border apprehensions. There were more than 40,000 in December alone.

10. **Border Patrol agents arrest undocumented immigrant convicted of murder**  
(KGNS-TV; 87k uvm; Laredo, TX) … Justin J. Reyes

VIDEO: Border Patrol agents of the Laredo Sector arrested an undocumented immigrant who had previously been convicted of murder in Mexico. Officials say they encountered the man in west Laredo and arrested him after they found out he was in the country illegally. The man had been serving a 50 year sentence for murder; however, a law enforcement database revealed he had escaped from a prison in Nuevo Laredo. The man will be processed accordingly and removed from the United States. Laredo Sector assistant chief patrol agent, Gabriel Acosta says, “The arrest of this criminal alien and preventing him from committing another heinous crime is just another example that illustrates how the United States Border Patrol keeps our communities safe.”

11. **ICE arrest 14 Vermont workers; employer could face charges**  
(WPTZ-TV; 18k uvm; Plattsburgh, NY) … Abby Isaacs
VIDEO: Human rights activists are calling it the largest raid they have seen in Vermont. "That is something that we are very concerned about because this is way out of scale for what we've seen," attorney Jay Diaz, with the American Civil Liberties Union, said. Early Thursday morning, agents with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and U.S. Customs and Border Protection went to the Days Inn in Colchester and arrested 14 construction workers on immigration violations. "This arrest makes me worried and fearful for everything that's happening here in Vermont and around the country," activist Enrique Balcazar, with the Vermont-based advocacy group Migrant Justice, said, in a statement translated by Will Lambek.

Ports of Entry

12. CBP: Cucumber shipment filled with nearly 800 pounds of marijuana
(San Antonio Express-News; 1.7M uvm) … Fares Sabawi

An 18-wheeler that was supposedly hauling a shipment of cucumbers also had a nearly 800 pounds of marijuana, according to a news release from U.S. Customs and Border Protection. Officers reportedly made the discovery on Jan. 17, when a 1994 Freightliner was passing through the Pharr International Bridge. The tractor-trailer was referred for further inspection at the checkpoint, where officers used canines and a non-intrusive imaging system to look through the cargo. Inside the cargo load, officers found 285 packages of marijuana that weighed 790.35 pounds, according to the release. The drugs were estimated to be worth $158,070. The drugs were seized and the case is now under investigation by Homeland Security agents.

13. CBP officers find 7 pounds of heroin in airport traveler's luggage
(Homeland Preparedness News; 17k uvm) … Aaron Martin

A passenger arriving at Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport from Amsterdam last month was detained after Customs and Border Protection (CBP) agents discovered more than 7 pounds of heroin hidden in a piece of luggage. The traveler, a 56-year-old Canadian citizen, was selected for examination after deplaning. While inspecting the traveler’s luggage, a CBP officer discovered a hidden compartment with a cream toned substance inside. The substance later tested positive for heroin. “This is a testament to how highly dedicated and committed our CBP officers are at disrupting the flow of illicit narcotics into our country,” Kathleen Koetz, director of the Minneapolis Area Port, said. “Even though concealment methods vary and can be extremely difficult to detect, our CBP officers are well trained, experienced and will find this contraband.”

14. Baltimore CBP seizes nearly 3,000 counterfeit stainless steel sinks
(Homeland Preparedness News; 17k uvm) … Kevin Randolph

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers in Baltimore recently seized 2,990 stainless steel sinks for displaying a counterfeit UPC shield design that, if authentic, would have a suggested retail price of approximately $1.1 million. The shipment of sinks arrived in Baltimore from Malaysia and was headed to an address in Maryland. … “Customs and Border Protection will continue to work closely with our trade and
consumer safety partners to seize counterfeit and inferior merchandise, especially those products that pose potential harm to American consumers, negatively impact legitimate business brand reputations, and potentially steal jobs from U.S. workers,” Dianna Bowman, Baltimore CBP area port director, said.

BORDER WALL

15. Trump to 'Cryin' Chuck Schumer: 'If there is no Wall, there is no DACA'
   (Washington Examiner; 4.8M uvm) … Naomi Lim

President Trump issued an ultimatum Tuesday, telling Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., he risks failing to secure a legislative fix for the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program if he reneges on his offer to fund Trump's proposed border wall. "Cryin’ Chuck Schumer fully understands, especially after his humiliating defeat, that if there is no Wall, there is no DACA. We must have safety and security, together with a strong Military, for our great people!" Trump wrote on Twitter.

TRADE

16. Tips to Avoid Common Customs Traps
   (Logistics Viewpoints; 55k uvm) … Celeste Catano

Vague item descriptions. Wrong addresses. Potential customs traps that can cost companies time and money when moving international shipments. Even with advanced technology that has come a long way in digitizing customs procedures, risks still remain in today’s global trade environment if electronic declarations aren’t filled out completely, accurately, and plausibly. Any of these pitfalls can increase costs and hamper productivity—and simply, interrupt the flow of goods. But there is a way forward. Best-of-breed, multi-country customs management software, with capabilities like automated check algorithms that flag errors, can help companies combat these issues and prevent the most common mistakes, which set off red flags for customs authorities.

17. US hits Spanish olives with additional import duties
   (AFP News)

The United States on Tuesday imposed additional import duties of up to 20 percent on ripe Spanish olives, saying they are sold at below fair value and harmed growers in California. This preliminary ruling is on top of duties imposed in November to offset the 2-7 percent subsidies Spanish exporters benefited from. … But meanwhile, US customs agents will collect cash deposits on olive imports based on the rates, according to the Commerce Department. In 2016, the US imported an estimated $70.9 million worth of ripe Spanish olives, principally from producers in Seville.

18. Should I File a Customs Prior Disclosure?
   (Torres Law: Customs & Global Trade) … Olga Torres and Derrick Kyle
Many importers have experienced, at one time or another, that horrible, stomach-turning feeling that comes with the realization that merchandise they have been importing has been entered under the wrong HTS code or with the incorrect value. These and similar errors constitute violations of 19 U.S.C. § 1592, and upon such discovery, the importer must ask, “Should I submit a Prior Disclosure to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (‘CBP’)?” The answer to that question will depend on a variety of factors, which will be discussed in this article. Any party, including importers, custom brokers, shippers, and foreign suppliers/manufacturers, involved in the business of importing into the U.S. can file a prior disclosure with CBP. A valid prior disclosure discloses the circumstances of §1592 violations to CBP before, or without knowledge of, the commencement of a formal investigation. Common examples of a §1592 violation include: undervaluation, misdescription of merchandise, misclassification, overvaluation, evasion of antidumping/countervailing duty. A valid prior disclosure also includes the tender of any loss of actual duties associated with the violation. Importantly, a party is not required to make a prior disclosure but can elect to make one.

TRAVEL

19. Tourism to U.S. under Trump is down, costing $4.6B and 40,000 jobs
   (NBC News; 9.6M uvm) … Ben Popken

VIDEO: Travel to the U.S. has been on the decline ever since President Donald Trump took office, and new data shows the slump translates to a cost of $4.6 billion in lost spending and 40,000 jobs. The latest data from the National Travel and Tourism Office shows a 3.3 percent drop in travel spending and a 4 percent decline in inbound travel. The downturn has also caused America to lose its spot as the world’s second-most popular destination for foreign travel, ceding to Spain. International tourism to the U.S. began to wane after Trump took office, leading to a so-called Trump slump. Experts say that Trump’s proposed travel bans and anti-immigration language have had a negative impact on the U.S.’s attraction for foreign visitors, in addition to a weaker dollar and heightened security measures.

20. TSA screened record-high 771 million passengers in 2017
   (Washington Examiner; 4.8M uvm) … Anna Giaritelli

The Transportation Security Administration screened a record-high 771.5 million passengers in 2017 at the 440 airports the agency operates, it said Tuesday. That’s up more than 30 million from the 738.3 million people TSA screened in 2016. TSA Administrator David Pekoske said changes the government made to its air travel policies were among the agency’s biggest achievements in 2017. "One of TSA’s most significant accomplishments in 2017 was our work – in partnership with airports, airlines, and international partners – to raise the global baseline of aviation security. As a part of this ongoing effort, we enforced new critical security requirements for nearly 280 airports in more than 100 countries," Pekoske said in a statement issued Tuesday.

21. DHS Issues New Rules for Searching Electronic Devices at the Border
   (The National Law Review; 475k uvm) … Scott T. Decker and Courtney B. Noce
Travelers continue to experience heightened scrutiny at U.S. Ports of Entry. Whether the travel is for business or pleasure, travelers often carry an electronic device such as a cell phone or laptop. The current administration’s focus on border security has made travelers increasingly concerned about how to protect personal and corporate data contained on electronic devices. On Jan. 4, 2018, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued a new directive titled “Border Search of Electronic Devices.” The directive provides “guidance and standard operating procedures for searching, reviewing, retaining, and sharing information contained in computers, tablets, removable media disks, drives, tapes, mobile phones, cameras, music and other media players, and any other communication, electronic, or digital devices.” The search and occasional seizure of electronic devices is not new — CBP has long engaged in the search of electronic devices. CBP has stated that this practice is “essential” to properly preserving security. This new guidance addresses “the rights of individuals against unreasonable search and seizure and ensure privacy protections” while setting forth specific procedures CBP must follow in carrying out their duties.

22. U.S. Travel Association’s Roger Dow
   (Travel Weekly; 464k uvm) … Johanna Jainchill

Q: What is going on? A: Everyone wants to pin this on the president, and we have a communication issue around the world. But this thing has been going on since 2015, our slipping. It's the dollar, it's economies, it's a whole lot of things. The trend is extremely clear: You can look at 2015, when we didn't know who was running, and we were down 6% to 7%, and now we're down another 6% to 7%. It's complex, but it can be turned around with the right priorities, and that's what we aim to do. We did the very same thing back in 2006 with the Discover America Coalition. The result was wait times for visas came down from 130 days to [in some cases] one day. We added 11 Visa Waiver Program countries. We created Brand USA. We got 2,000 more Customs and Border Protection officers. This coalition will aim to do the same thing.

23. IBIA Questions Academic Rigor of Georgetown University Biometric Exit Critique
   (Find Biometrics; 56k uvm) … Alex Perala

A recent academic paper that was highly critical of the use of facial recognition technology at airport departure gates prominently featured “factually incorrect and misleading statements”, argues a new analysis from the International Biometrics + Identity Association (IBIA). The IBIA assessed the Georgetown University Center on Privacy & Technology’s “Not Ready for Takeoff: Face Scans at Airport Departure Gates” publication in its new white paper, “Setting the Record Straight on Face Scans in Biometric Exit”. Among other criticisms, the IBIA argues that the CPT “misconstrued” data from the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), suggesting that facial recognition technology has a 96 percent accuracy rate, whereas “[a]ctual performance of modern algorithms against a gallery size equal to or slightly greater than a plane manifest is 98% to 99%.” The IBIA also asserts that contrary to the Georgetown
The report's implications that technological faults have delayed the widespread implementation of airport facial recognition, "the real impedances have been in reconciling airport infrastructure needs, obtaining stakeholder buy-in, and funding." And the IBIA insists that funding for such programs does not taxpayers, but rather that it "has been derived from increases in visa fees (borne by visa applicants) and public-private partnerships" between the Customs and Border Protection Agency and airlines and airports.

24. Trump Administration's Watchlist Data Overstates Terror Threat
(Just Security) … Harsha Panduranga

First, it's important to consider the number in context. In fiscal year 2016 – the last year for which data has been released – U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) processed more than 390 million travelers at ports of entry. Assuming a roughly 4 percent drop in travel over the past year, a liberal estimate of the impact of the president’s immigration policies, this would mean about 374 million travelers were processed in 2017. That means 0.000683 percent, or about 1/146,000 travelers would have been on the terrorist watchlist (a fraction close to what the Cato Institute found in a similar analysis).

25. UAE airports face less stress from new US cargo regulations
(Khaleej Times) … Issac John

Abu Dhabi International Airport already has a US Customs and Border Protection facility that allows passengers to clear screening they'd otherwise have to go through when landing in America. That means passengers can walk right out of the airport on arrival. Emirates, and Saudia did not respond to requests for comment. … Under the requirements of the order, airlines are supposed to provide certain information on the shipments "at the earliest practical point" before loading the cargo to US customs officials. The shipment information is then compared to information the US has on terror threats.

OPIOID EPIDEMIC

26. Opioid commission member: Our work is a 'sham'
(CNN; 29.8M uvm) … Wayne Drash and Nadia Kounang

VIDEO: The Republican-led Congress has turned the work of the president's opioid commission into a "charade" and a "sham," a member of the panel told CNN. "Everyone is willing to tolerate the intolerable -- and not do anything about it," said former Democratic Rep. Patrick Kennedy, who was one of six members appointed to the bipartisan commission in March. "I'm as cynical as I've ever been about this stuff." President Donald Trump declared the opioid epidemic a 90-day public health emergency in October, but did not make any new funding available. In November the president said he would donate his third quarter salary to the Department of Health and Human Services to help fight the crisis. … On January 10, Trump did sign a law that would give US Customs and Border Protection additional screening devices to better
detect illicit drugs such as fentanyl that are being smuggled through the border. At the signing, the president said he actually had a solution to the crisis. "There is an answer. I think I actually know the answer, but I'm not sure the country is ready for it yet," he said, before looking around at some of the lawmakers. "Does anybody know what I mean? I think so." However, neither he nor the White House elaborated what that solution entailed.

**OPINION**

27. Trump makes US a less attractive tourist destination
(CNN; 29.8M uvm) … David Wheeler

**VIDEO:** Spain will soon unseat the US from our No. 2 spot on the list of the world's top tourist destinations. Didn't it feel good to be No. 2 for a while? Well, enjoy the last few months of that ranking, because we're about to become No. 3. Although definitive numbers will not be published until the spring, France is expected to remain the most popular tourist destination in the world in 2018, with second place going to Spain, instead of the US, according to the UN World Tourism Organization. I've got nothing against Spain. Its natural and architectural beauty, along with the warmth of its people, make it my favorite travel destination by far. But there's a reason more world travelers are choosing Spain over the US these days, and it's not because the Grand Canyon became less grand in the past year.

28. Trump’s useless wall
(Univision Television Network; 11.9M uvm) … Jorge Ramos

President Donald Trump has already built a wall, but it’s inside his head. No matter how many times he is told that a physical barrier between Mexico and the United States won’t considerably deter the smuggling of drugs or undocumented people into this country, he keeps insisting that it be built. It's an absurd and outdated idea. Building walls to protect borders, is, of course, an ancient concept. Tall, powerful walls kept foes from storming the castles of Europe during the Middle Ages; and from the 14th through the 17th centuries, China’s Great Wall helped keep the Ming dynasty safe from the nomadic tribes of Asia. But in a 21st century marked by globalization, technological shifts and the rapid movement of people, walls just make no sense as border deterrents. … It’s worth noting that we’ve had a similar debate before. Former President Bill Clinton put Operation Gatekeeper in place in 1994 with the purpose of restricting the passage of undocumented immigrants to San Diego from Tijuana. The program increased the number of border patrol agents in the area and built miles of new fence (yes, Democrats have also voted to build a wall along the Mexican border).

29. Montini: Did Border Patrol retaliate against aid workers?
(Arizona Republic; 10.8M uvm) … EJ Montini

You could argue it’s a coincidence. Then again, you could argue it’s revenge made to look like coincidence. Which seems more likely. To me, anyway. A volunteer with the humanitarian aid group No More Deaths was arrested on a federal harboring charge.
only hours after the group released a report and videos showing Border Patrol agents emptying or destroying water bottles left in the desert for border crossers. Thousands have died in the desert over the years. The Border Patrol has an official policy of not destroying the humanitarian aid. But the agents in the videos didn’t seem particularly worried about getting into trouble. It was an embarrassing display of inhumane behavior and a black eye for the agency.

30. **Trump’s border wall is standard practice in other parts of the world**

(Washington Examiner; 4.8M uvm) … Michael Rubin

President Trump’s commitment to building a wall along the U.S.-Mexican border continues to polarize both Congress and bilateral ties with our southern neighbor. While Democrats argue walls don’t work and even many Republicans question the $21.6 billion price tag, both concerns are overwrought. While critics say there is no utility in a border wall, countries around the globe have come to rely on them. Consider the latest: On Jan. 7, Turkey announced it had completed half of a more than 100-mile wall along its border with Iran in terrain far more difficult than the Rio Grande Valley. Of course, the United States may not want to be like Turkey or Iran, both anti-American dictatorships with some of the world’s worst human rights records. But border walls exist in Africa, Asia, and even Europe and they are not simply the tool of dictatorships. Democracies, too, embrace walls.

31. **Actually wage the drug war**

(The Blade; 1.1M uvm; Toledo, OH)

The Trump Administration has done the right thing and extended the opioid public health emergency that was set to expire this week. The 90-day extension will keep the epidemic in the public spotlight. But true results need to take place through legislation in Congress. “President Trump recently signed [the INTERDICT Act], which will give $15 million for equipment for Customs and Border Patrol. But my STOP Act may be even more important,” Sen. Rob Portman told The Blade’s editorial board. The Synthetics Trafficking & Overdose Prevention Act would require that more electronic data be provided on packages shipped through the U.S. Postal Service. The majority of fentanyl and carfentanil is shipped from illegal pharmacies in China and Mexico through the USPS because other shippers have stricter tracking requirements. The STOP Act is inexplicably still waiting to be voted on despite broad bipartisan support.

32. **Steller column: Border humanitarian cases suggest Trump Effect’s arrival**

(Arizona Daily Star; 431k uvm; Tucson, AZ) … Tim Steller

The fact that Scott Warren is facing not one but two criminal cases suggests the Trump Effect is taking place in Southern Arizona. But is it? Warren, a volunteer for the group No More Deaths, was arrested last Wednesday, Jan. 17, for “harboring illegal aliens” in Ajo — that is, feeding two men who crossed the border illegally and giving them a place to sleep. … One is that the Border Patrol says that nothing has changed about its attitude toward humanitarian aid groups like No More Deaths, Humane Borders and the
Samaritans, all of which put aid out on migrant trails and help crossers in medical crisis. “Our stance is still the same,” agency spokesman Steven Passement told me Tuesday. “Our concern is probably the same as theirs.”

33. Border Patrol Leaders: Stop Throwing Agents Under the Bus!
   (Immigration Reform; 41k uvm) … Matt O’Brien

For enforcement agents in the field, there is virtually no way to distinguish between ad hoc aid stations set up by ostensibly well-meaning aid organizations and supply dumps established by drug cartels and smuggling rings. And removing food and water from hazardous sections of the border often keeps illegal aliens from unwittingly wandering into danger. It’s also worth noting that, pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1324 encouraging aliens to illegally enter the United States is a crime. Not to mention that dumping food and supplies unattended on federal lands violates hundreds of Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, National Forest Service, Environmental Protection Agency and Department of Agriculture regulations. So it appears that it’s No More Deaths breaking the law, not the Border Patrol. … What’s even more shocking is the manner in which Customs and Border Protection immediately kowtowed when its employees were criticized, sternly noting that agents “have been instructed not to remove or destroy water stations, food or other resources left along the trails in the desert.” In essence, the Border Patrol is telling everyone that keeping radical agitators happy is more important than enforcing laws its agents are sworn to uphold.

IMMIGRATION

34. Trump demands military buildup, border security in new Dreamer debate
   (Washington Times; 10.8M uvm) … S.A. Miller

President Trump on Tuesday push military buildup and border security as key issues new negotiations to make permanent that DACA amnesty for illegal immigrant “Dreamers.” “Nobody knows for sure that the Republicans & Democrats will be able to reach a deal on DACA by February 8, but everyone will be trying … with a big additional focus put on Military Strength and Border Security. The Dems have just learned that a Shutdown is not the answer!” the president wrote on Twitter. Senate Democrats shut down the government for three days demanding an immediate fix for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals or DACA, the Obama-era amnesty to illegal immigrants who came to the U.S. as children. The program, which courts ruled was improperly created, was canceled by Mr. Trump and set to phase out in March. The issue became entwined in the spending debate that resulted in a shutdown. The deal struck Monday reopened the government with a new deadline of Feb. 8 to extend government funding and address DACA. The Dreamers have broad support on both sides of the aisle but Mr. Trump and Republican leaders are pushing for new immigration laws and more border security, including funding for a border wall, to prevent another Dreamer crisis in the future.

35. Conservatives back tough crackdown immigration bill in House
   (Washington Times; 10.8M uvm) … Stephen Dinan
House Republicans rallied Tuesday to back a conservative solution to illegal immigrant “Dreamers” and immigration enforcement, moving quickly to offer an alternative to the more generous amnesty that’s being talked about in the Senate. The Republican Study Committee, a large caucus of conservatives, endorsed a bill written by Rep. Bob Goodlatte that would couple legal status for Dreamers with some of the stiffest enforcement changes in two decades. “The Securing America's Future Act is the framework to strengthen border security, increase interior enforcement and resolve the DACA situation,” the RSC said in backing the bill. … In contrast, the plan Senate negotiators presented to President Trump earlier this month would have granted legal status to millions of Dreamers and their parents — including a full pathway to citizenship for the Dreamers themselves. In exchange, it offered a small downpayment on the president’s border wall, no significant changes in chain migration and a swap on the Diversity Visa Lottery, eliminating that program but creating a new amnesty for would-be illegal immigrants from Haiti, El Salvador and other countries that suffered natural disasters over the last couple of decades.

**OF INTEREST**

36. Roughly 80% of all voters say U.S. needs secure borders, including 68% of Democrats: Harvard poll  
(Washington Times; 10.8M uvm) … Jennifer Harper

A wide-reaching new poll conducted by Harvard University reveals that majorities of U.S. voters — including Democrats — appear to agree with many of President Trump’s most basic beliefs about immigration. The findings reveal, for example, that eight out of 10 of all U.S. voters — 79 percent — say the U.S. needs secure borders; 93 percent of Republicans, 80 percent of independents and 68 percent of Democrats agree with that. Another 79 percent of voters overall say immigration priorities should be granted on a person’s “ability to contribute to America”; 87 percent of Republicans, 79 percent of independents and 72 percent of Democrats agree. Meanwhile, 68 percent overall oppose a lottery-based immigration system which is meant to ensure “greater diversity in the U.S.; 78 percent of Republicans, 65 percent of independents and 62 percent of Democrats agree.

37. Trump, A Year Later: Washington Is Losing Opportunity To Be A Leader In Latin America, Experts Say  
(Newsweek; 9.4M uvm) … Robert Valencia

VIDEO: He has not softened on the hemisphere during his first 365 days as president: Trump’s protectionist views on the economy have stalled NAFTA renegotiations, and he has continued to insist on the construction of a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border. What's more, the president reportedly referred to El Salvador as a “shithole,” terminated deportation protections for thousands of Central American and Haitian immigrants and tightened U.S. policies toward Venezuela and Cuba. Trump's actions have made the U.S. unpopular in the region. The idea of a border wall is strongly rejected—94 percent of Mexicans oppose its construction—and U.S. favorability ratings have tanked in several Latin American countries, according to a recent Pew Research poll.
38. The UN Is Breaking Its Promise to the World's Poorest Citizens
(AlterNet; 4.8M uvm) … Vijay Prashad

These are migrants who want to travel to the United States, but are being blocked from entry into Nicaragua. Why is Nicaragua not allowing them into the country, since they are merely seeking to transit its territory? US Ambassador to Nicaragua Laura Dogu said, ‘Each country controls its borders and as we are doing that in the United States, Nicaragua has a right as well and we are supporting Nicaragua in this regard. That is a political decision’. This is a revealing statement. The United States supports - even encourages - Nicaragua to shut its border to these migrants. It is far easier for the US to have Nicaragua be its border guard than ‘build the wall’ on the US-Mexico border.

39. Dogs Are Being Trained to Sniff Out Smuggled Artifacts
(Art.sy; 933k uvm) … Isaac Kaplan

Objects can arrive in the United States and other countries through various channels. Smaller pieces such as ancient coins, for example, are sometimes mixed in with contemporary currency and transported through an airport or the mail. Smugglers can also easily lie about the provenance of their loot on customs forms, making it appear as though they aren’t coming from a conflict zone. … Beyond the efficacy of the training, researchers are interested in whether the detection training is practical and can be implemented on a larger scale by government agencies such as Homeland Security. If this first phase is successful, and additional funding is secured, subsequent phases would involve testing the dogs outside of a laboratory setting, with the eventual goal of giving demonstrations to customs and border officials.

40. NAmerica touts ‘risk averse’ World Cup bid amid Trump issues
(Associated Press) … Rob Harris

The U.S. is partnering with Mexico on soccer just as Trump also presses ahead with construction of a border wall between the neighbors. “In terms of the famous wall, I think football is stronger than that,” Mexican soccer federation president Decio De Maria said. “We are working together to have this event. It’s not the wall that’s going to be part of this bid. It’s football.” The United States, which hosted the World Cup in 1994 and failed with another solo bid for 2022, is the majority partner in the 2026 proposal. It is being lined up to stage 60 games, including everything from the quarterfinals onward, while Canada and Mexico would have 10 fixtures each.

41. Man Sentenced for Smuggling King Cobras in Potato Chip Cans
(Associated Press)

A California man was sentenced to five months in federal prison for smuggling three highly venomous king cobra snakes through the mail in potato chip canisters. In a plea agreement, Rodrigo Franco acknowledged smuggling another 20 cobras into Los Angeles, but he said they all died in transit. He also said he tried to mail protected
turtles from the United States to Hong Kong, but that package was intercepted by federal agents. "Reptiles are my passion," the 34-year-old, ex-auto mechanic wrote to Judge George H. Wu, who also sentenced Franco to two years of supervised release on Monday. The three king cobras — each about two feet (just over half a meter) long — were found last March when Customs and Border Protection officers inspected a package that was mailed from Hong Kong, prosecutors said. There were also three albino Chinese soft-shelled turtles in the package, authorities said.

SOCIAL MEDIA ANALYSIS

OF NOTE

- A tweet by the @CustomsBorder account, that clarified immigration law regarding warrantless searches within a reasonable distance of the border, received significant engagement due to recent media attention on the subject. The post received above average activity and garnered 326 retweets, 602 likes, and 111 replies with 2.6M potential impressions.

- In the most retweeted post within the CBP social media conversation, ProPublica reporter Hannah Dreier shared an Associated Press article titled, “Border Patrol arrests ASU instructor who gave food, water to immigrants”. The post received 2k retweets, 1.5k likes, and 201 replies.

- The top three most retweeted posts addressed the same storyline. The first and third linked to the mentioned Associated Press article. 4,278 users shared the article and made it the top shared URL.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- *Washington Examiner* reported that CBP officers seized 47,063 pills they suspected to be Oxycodone during a vehicle inspection at the Mexico-Texas border. They also found 18lbs of what they believed to be heroin. The total estimated street value for the drugs seized was $2.2 million.

- *KENS-TV* reported that CBP officers seized 5,000lbs of marijuana at the World Trade Bridge. Laredo Port of Entry Director Alberto Flores said “This is a great example of the effectiveness of the layered enforcement inspection process implemented by our CBP officers.” The marijuana had an estimated street value of more than $1 million. Local Texas news outlets *KIII-TV* and *KHOU-TV* shared the article as well.

- *KMIR-TV* reported that Border Patrol agents seized 7.84lbs of methamphetamine during an inspection of a bus at a checkpoint on Route 86. The methamphetamine had an estimated street value of $27,440. Local California news outlet *Banning-Beaumont Patch* and local Arizona news outlet *KYMA-TV* reported on this storyline as well.

TOP NEWS

1. **US border officers find 47,063 Oxycodone pills in $2.2 million bust at Texas-Mexico checkpoint**
   *(Washington Examiner; 4.7M uvm) … Anna Giaritelli*

Customs and Border Protection officers uncovered 47,063 suspected Oxycodone pills valued at $1.8 million during a standard border checkpoint examination of a vehicle passing from Mexico into Texas, the agency announced late Thursday. Officers at the Laredo Port of Entry's Juarez-Lincoln Bridge said they found a total of $2.2 million of drugs in the 2010 Chevy Captiva headed north of the border into the United States. The driver was arrested. The canine team and nonintrusive imaging unit also led officers to more than 18 pounds of what is believed to be heroin, valued at $420,000. Oxycodone is the active ingredient in Oxycontin, a pain reliever that is classified as an opiate analgesic. The suspect is a 33-year-old Mexican man from Nuevo Laredo, which is located directly over the border. He was taken into custody along with the narcotics, which will be tested to confirm chemical identity of the substances. "These significant interceptions of hard narcotics and commonly abused controlled opioid medication underscore the grim reality of the drug threat our officers face every day and their resolute intent to uphold CBP’s border security mission," Laredo Port Director Albert Flores said in a statement.
2. Million dollars of marijuana found in big rig at border
(KENS-TV; 446k uvm; San Antonio, TX)

U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers seized 5,000 pounds of marijuana worth more than $1 million at the World Trade Bridge while conducting enforcement operations. The seizure occurred on Tuesday, Jan. 23, when a border patrol officer requested a second inspection on a tractor-trailer hauling a shipment of jalapeño peppers. Using drug-sniffing canines and imagery systems, officers discovered 1,341 packages of what they say is marijuana. The officers then seized the narcotics. The case was turned over to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcements agents for further investigation. “This is definitely a significant seizure and I commend the CBP officers involved,” said Laredo Port of Entry Director Alberto Flores, “This is a great example of the effectiveness of the layered enforcement inspection process implemented by our CBP officers.”

3. Border Patrol Agents Detain Three For Meth Possession on Bus Near Salton Sea
(KMIR-TV; 44k uvm; Palm Desert, CA)

Three people, including a 16-year-old girl, were detained on a bus near the Salton Sea for allegedly carrying more than $27,000 worth of methamphetamine, which the suspects concealed by taping packages of the drugs to their bodies, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection said today. Agents assigned to the Indio Border Patrol station took the trio into custody sometime after 10:50 a.m. Thursday when the bus was inspected at the state Route 86 checkpoint. The unidentified 19-year-old man initially was arrested alone after admitting he had a fake social security card on him, which he had printed off of the internet, according to CBP. He later also was found with a cell phone that he had taken from a woman onboard the bus, officials said. A Border Patrol dog was brought on board and alerted agents to the teenage girl and an 18-year-old woman, who had 19 vacuum sealed packages of methamphetamine taped to their bodies. The total amount weighed 7.84 pounds with an estimated street value of $27,440, Border Patrol officials said. One of the female suspects told agents that the man they arrested was traveling with them on the bus to make sure the drugs were delivered to their destination. All three suspects are U.S. citizens and were turned over to the Drug Enforcement Administration for further investigation, CBP said.

NEWS INDEX

BORDER SECURITY

Along U.S. Borders

4. Border Patrol Crackdown Shines Light On Rising Number Of Migrant Deaths
(National Public Radio; 21.9M uvm) … Samantha Raphelson
The recent arrest of an activist from the group No More Deaths is highlighting the rising number of people who die crossing the U.S.-Mexico border and the challenges that humanitarian workers confront when they try to help. At least 7,209 people have died while illegally crossing the southwestern border over the past 20 years, according to U.S. Border Patrol data, but an investigation by USA Today finds official statistics underestimate the number of deaths. The number is much higher because, for the most part, federal authorities’ casualty count does not include people whose remains are recovered by local authorities. While data reveal that fewer people are crossing illegally overall, more migrants are taking remote and dangerous routes in Arizona due to increased border security at safer crossing points in California and Texas, says Alicia Dinsmore, a volunteer with No More Deaths.

5. ‘Appalled’ Florida Congressional Democrats slam Customs and Border Protection for bus check
(Tampa Bay Times; 4.7M uvm; Saint Petersburg, FL) … Kirby Wilson

VIDEO: Seven Florida Democrats have joined over a dozen congressional lawmakers in a joint statement that condemned an immigration check performed by Border Patrol officers in Fort Lauderdale on January 19. "We were appalled to see U.S. Customs and Border Protection agents abusing their mandate and authority to arbitrarily board a bus to demand that all passengers produce identification and documentation," Reps. Ted Deutch, Alcee Hastings, Frederica Wilson, Debbie Wasserman Schultz, Darren Soto, Al Lawson and Kathy Cator wrote in a joint statement Friday. According to CBP, the agency that oversees Border Patrol, agents boarded a Greyhound Bus that day to perform an "immigration inspection." They found a woman who had overstayed a tourist visa, arrested her, and escorted her off the bus, CBP said. A video of the encounter posted over the weekend drew outrage from immigration activists…But CBP argued that it was well within its rights to perform the inspection. "Border Patrol agents routinely conduct law enforcement activities at transportation hubs as part of a layered approach to preventing illegal aliens from traveling further into the United States," the agency said in a statement. A recent Miami Herald story explained that, although transportation checks seem extraordinary, Border Patrol has conducted them for years.

6. Citizenship screening at Maine bus station stirs mixed feelings, legal questions
(Portland Press Herald; 2.1M uvm) … Megan Doyle

…Border Patrol, which is part of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, has the authority to conduct citizenship checks without a warrant within 100 miles of the nation’s land and coastal boarders. That includes the entire state of Maine. The ACLU said 10 other states – Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Hawaii, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island and Vermont – are also entirely or almost entirely in that 100-mile zone. And immigration inspections at transportation hubs are not a new practice in Maine. But immigration and civil rights advocates say there is evidence these inspections are becoming more frequent under the new enforcement priorities of the Trump administration. A video of U.S. Border Patrol agents detaining a woman on a bus
in Florida drew attention to the practice when it went viral this week. So when Homer reported the Bangor bus check to the ACLU of Maine, the organization filed a Freedom of Information Act request this week to learn more about immigration inspections at the Bangor and Portland transportation centers…Chief Patrol Agent Dennis Harmon said the agency conducts daily checks on the Cyr Bus Line, an Old Town-based company that operates in the United States and Canada. But he would not say how often those checks take place elsewhere in the state. “Conveyances, including buses, traveling in the state of Maine, regardless of their origination, destination or station stop, are subject to immigration inspection,” Harmon wrote in an email Friday.

7. **Border Patrol, Multiple Agencies Work to Identify Remains of Migrants**
(KRGV-TV; 273k uvm; Weslaco, TX) … Ryan Nelson

The U.S. Border Patrol is working hand in hand with other agencies to positively identify remains believed to be those of migrants who died on their journey north. U.S. Customs and Border Protection’s Missing Migrant Program is working to identify remains in Tres Norias. Making a positive ID takes a collaborative effort with consulates and academic institutions. On Friday, Border Patrol described the scene of an exhumation which took place earlier this month. Agents were on site in support of Texas State University’s Operation I.D. The group worked to exhume remains believed to be those of deceased migrants on a private cemetery. El Salvador and Guatemala consulate representatives were on site as well. Border Patrol operations officer Hugo Vera says in a statement: “The goal remains unchanged; bringing reunification to those families that have a loved one missing and who have perhaps died while traveling illegally to the United States.” The next step is using DNA analysis to make a positive identification. Vega says it can take up to several months.

8. **How Police Stumbled Onto a Human Smuggling Ring — At a House They’d Been Called to 53 Times**
(Voice of San Diego; 146k uvm) … Adriana Heldiz

Chula Vista missed chance after chance over five years to uncover a human smuggling ring. In early November, deputies from the San Diego Sheriff’s Department and Border Patrol agents stumbled onto it. They arrested 12 people, mostly undocumented immigrants. Local news jumped on the story, even filming the exact moment agents detained the suspects. The circumstances around the incident are remarkable. The deputies pulled over a vehicle for a taillight infraction, without suspecting that he was guilty of other crimes. Then the passenger took off. He led them directly to a home, where the deputies and Border Patrol agents – who had responded to a request for backup – happened upon an alleged smuggling ring. They even said they witnessed a human smuggling event taking place in the driveway…Officials from both the Sheriff’s Department and the Border Patrol have said that’s just how it happened: It was purely random. And there is no evidence that that is not true. “It was kind of a lucky thing,” supervisory Border Patrol Agent Michael Scappechio said.

9. **Border Patrol agents seize over 400 pounds of marijuana**
Border Patrol agents of the Laredo Sector seized over 400 pounds of marijuana during two narcotic smuggling attempts. The first incident happened on January 25th when agents were responding to suspicious activity near Hebbronville, Texas. A total of five bundles of abandoned marijuana was found in the brush. The marijuana weighed 144.9 pounds and was estimated to have a value of $115,920. On the same day, agents seized 293 pounds of marijuana after responding to suspicious activity near Anna Avenue. Agents encountered a silver Chrysler 300 and a silver Nissan Quest with three bundles of marijuana inside the vehicle. Agents were able to find additional marijuana in the brush. The marijuana had an estimated street value of $234,400. The drivers of the vehicles were arrested and the narcotics in both cases were turned over to the DEA.

10. **CBP multi-million dollar marijuana bust**
(KGNS-TV; 86k uvm; Laredo, TX) … Roger Uvalle

**VIDEO:** Customs and Border Protection officers seized a significant amount of marijuana at the World Trade Bridge. The bust had an estimated value of over a million dollars. The incident happened on Tuesday when agents referred a tractor trailer hauling a shipment of jalapeno peppers to secondary inspection. After a scan was made of the trailer, agents found over 1,300 packages of marijuana which weighed about 5,000 pounds. The case was turned over to Homeland Security.

Ports of Entry

11. **$30K in Cocaine Hidden in False-Bottom Suitcase at JFK: Customs**
(WNBC-TV; 3.8M uvm; New York, NY)

A woman faces drug smuggling charges after authorities say she tried to smuggle cocaine cleverly concealed in her suitcase through John F. Kennedy Airport. Tuere Easter was stopped by Customs and Border Protection officers as she arrived from St. Lucia last weekend after a K-9 dog alerted them, the agency said. The officers X-rayed and searched through Easter’s suitcase and discovered a white powdery substance in a hidden compartment, according to CBP, which said the powder tested positive as cocaine. CBP said the two pounds of cocaine uncovered had a street value of more than $30,000. Easter was arrested on drug smuggling charges and turned over to Port Authority police.

12. **CBP Agriculture Specialists Intercept 11 tick infested trophy deer**
(KGNS-TV; 86k uvm; Laredo, TX)

**VIDEO:** CBP Agriculture Specialists intercepted 11 whitetail trophy deer hides infested with live ticks over a 10-day period at the Colombia-Solidarity Bridge. The hunting season will be coming to a close soon and with that comes an increase in hunters returning with their deer trophies. The CBPAS have been inspecting trophies for any possible pests that may pose a threat to the U.S. agriculture industry. Over the past 10
days CBPAS have inspected 94 trophy racks and 22 deer hide entries. A total of 11 trophy deer were seized because they were found to have live or dead ticks. One trophy had 41 live ticks on it. Two hunters were penalized for failing to declare and attempting to conceal their trophy hides.

13. **CBP officers apprehend man wanted for sexual assault**  
(KGNS-TV; 86k uvm; Laredo, TX) … Justin J. Reyes

U.S. Customs and Border Protection arrest a man wanted for sexual assault at a Laredo Port of Entry after he attempted to enter into the U.S. The incident happened on January 25th at the Lincoln Juarez Bridge. CBP officers say they referred a bus passenger identified as 67-year-old Gabriel Galvan Rodriguez for secondary examination. When officers entered Rodriguez's information through the law enforcement database, they found that he had an outstanding warrant for sexual assault-sex abuse out of Marion County, Oregon Sheriff's Office. CBP officers confirmed the identity of the man and he was taken to the Webb County Jail. Port Director Gregory Alvarez says, “CBP officers remain vigilant in intercepting travelers with outstanding warrants. This arrest demonstrates our CBP officers’ vigilance and dedication to securing the homeland and keeping our communities safe.”

BORDER WALL

14. **Texas smugglers say Trump’s border wall wouldn’t stop immigrants, drugs from pouring across the border**  
(Texas Tribune; 1.7M uvm; Austin, TX) … Jay Root

…After a steep drop in apprehensions that many attributed to President Donald Trump's ascension to the White House, the arrests have been trending back upward — and more arrests mean more are believed to be getting through. The Rio Grande Valley has become the Border Patrol’s busiest sector — nearly half of all apprehensions along the border happen here — and the Trump administration has targeted it as a prime location for a big chunk of that wall the president keeps promising to build. Whether a wall will happen, whether it would extend across the entire 2,000-mile border and whether it would be a solid wall or more fencing remains the subject of intense, shifting debate in Washington. But if the wall comes, will it help stop people like Perez or the drug smugglers the president says are pouring into the country virtually unfettered? Manuel Padilla says it will. Padilla, chief of the Border Patrol’s Rio Grande Valley Sector, which stretches for 320 river miles from the Gulf of Mexico to Falcon Lake, says the Valley has become smugglers’ favorite crossing point in part because it still lacks the barriers erected at one-time hot spots like San Diego and El Paso. “If you look at the technology and infrastructure ... this is the only place where you do not have it at those levels,” he added. “Really, this is the last stand.” But one of his former foes on the border, Norma Armendariz, says Padilla’s wrong. The Laredo native and sister of carjacking kingpin Jose Antonio “El Comandante” Armendariz estimates she earned $15,000 to $20,000 a week smuggling immigrants before she was busted in 2012. She says if she were still in the business, a wall wouldn’t slow her down much because there’s always a Border
Patrol agent or customs official willing to take a bribe and look the other way. And a lifelong marijuana trafficker from Starr County who said he moved about 50 tons of marijuana a year through border checkpoints in 18-wheelers told the *The Texas Tribune* in an interview last summer that a wall wouldn’t stop him, either.

**TRADE**

15. **New Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Petitions on Cast Iron Soil Pipe from China**  
(National Law Review; 474k uvm) … Douglas J. Heffner and Richard P. Ferrin

The Cast Iron Soil Pipe Institute (CISPI) and its individual members, on January 26, 2018, filed antidumping (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) petitions on cast iron soil pipe (CISP) from China. Individual CISPI members associated with the petition are AB&I Foundry, Charlotte Pipe & Foundry and Tyler Pipe. The most recent AD petitions for CISP involved Australia in 1964 and Poland in 1967, resulting in negative and positive determinations of injury, respectively. A separate investigation into cast iron soil pipe fittings from China is currently pending. The U.S. AD law imposes special tariffs to counteract imports that are sold in the United States at less than “normal value.” The U.S. CVD law imposes special tariffs to counteract imports that are sold in the United States with the benefit of foreign government subsidies. For AD/CVD duties to be imposed, the U.S. government must determine not only that dumping and/or subsidies are occurring, but also that there is “material injury” (or threat thereof) by reason of the dumped and/or subsidized imports. Importers are liable for any potential AD/CVD duties imposed. In addition, these investigations could impact purchasers by increasing prices and/or decreasing supply of CISP.

16. **Commerce zeroes out AD duties on glycine from China for one company**  
(American Shipper; 53k uvm) … Brian Bradley

The U.S. Commerce Department on Friday amended the dumping margin assigned to Baoding Mantong Fine Chemistry Co. Ltd. in the final results of an administrative review of its antidumping duty order on glycine from China, covering entries from March 1, 2010, through Feb. 28, 2011, Commerce announced. Baoding’s antidumping duty rate will decrease from 64.97 percent to zero, after Commerce revised surrogate values for the glycine inputs of liquid ammonia, formaldehyde and steam coal, following an April 19 Court of International Trade (CIT) remand of administrative review results to Commerce for reconsideration. The CIT on Dec. 20, sustained Commerce’s dumping margin determination for Baoding. The ruling constitutes a final CIT decision that is not in harmony with the final results of Commerce’s administrative review, and pursuanty Commerce will continue suspending liquidation of the subject merchandise pending a “final and conclusive” court decision, the department said.

17. **Trump tells Davos ‘America First, not America alone’**  
(Financial Times) … Katie Martin
President Donald Trump endeavoured to build bridges with the international community in a speech to fellow world leaders and titans of industry in Davos that framed his “America First” agenda in more conciliatory terms… “America First does not mean America alone," he said. “When the United States grows so does the world.”… On Friday, it fell to Mr Trump to try to defuse tensions and he stuck rigidly to his script. The president mostly stayed away from the incendiary remarks that have delighted supporters but horrified critics at home and abroad, framing his nationalist agenda in more measured terms.

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“We will enforce our trade laws and restore integrity to the trading system. Only by insisting on fair and reciprocal trade can we create a system that works not just for the United States but for all nations," he said, adding that he will not accept “massive intellectual property theft”. Mr Trump also noted that he would be open to bilateral talks with countries seeking a Pacific Rim trade deal known as the Trans-Pacific Partnership, or even to rejoining it if its terms were improved.

18. Relief for workers as Bombardier wins trade dispute with United States
(Oswestry & Border Counties Advertizer; Shropshire, UK)

Thousands of workers will be “breathing a huge sigh of relief” after aircraft manufacturer Bombardier won a major trade dispute with the United States, unions have said. Politicians have also welcomed the ruling which will stop the US imposing 292% duties on the import of the firm’s jets to America. The US International Trade Commission (ITC) said rival manufacturer Boeing did not suffer injury from Atlanta-based Delta Airlines’ order of Bombardier’s C Series passenger jets. The decision could safeguard thousands of jobs in Belfast, where the C Series wings are produced.

TRAVEL

19. EFF and ACLU Ask Court to Allow Legal Challenge To Proceed Against Warrantless Searches of Travelers’ Smartphones, Laptops
(Electronic Frontier Foundation; 1.1M uvm)

The Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF) and the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) urged a federal judge today to reject the Department of Homeland Security’s attempt to dismiss an important lawsuit challenging DHS’s policy of searching and confiscating, without suspicion or warrant, travelers’ electronic devices at U.S. borders. EFF and ACLU represent 11 travelers—10 U.S. citizens and one lawful permanent resident—whose smartphones and laptops were searched without warrants at the U.S. border in a groundbreaking lawsuit filed in September. The case, Alasaad v. Nielsen, asks the court to rule that the government must have a warrant based on probable cause before conducting searches of electronic devices, which contain highly detailed personal information about people’s lives. The case also argues that the government must have probable cause to confiscate a traveler’s device. The plaintiffs in the case include a military veteran, journalists, students, an artist, a NASA engineer, and a business owner. The government seeks dismissal, saying the plaintiffs don’t have the right to bring the lawsuit and the Fourth Amendment doesn’t apply to border searches.
Both claims are wrong, the EFF and ACLU explain in a brief filed today in federal court in Boston.

20. Round Up of EFF’s Advocacy Against Warrantless Border Device Searches
   (Electronic Frontier Foundation; 1.1M uvm) … Sophia Cope and Adam Schwartz

EFF has been working on multiple fronts to end a widespread violation of digital liberty—warrantless searches of travelers’ electronic devices at the border. Government policies allow border agents to search and confiscate our cell phones, tablets, and laptops at airports and border crossings for no reason, without explanation or any suspicion of wrongdoing. It’s as if our First and Fourth Amendment rights don’t exist at the border. This is wrong, which is why we’re working to challenge and hopefully end these unconstitutional practices. EFF and the ACLU filed a brief today in our Alasaad v. Nielsen lawsuit to oppose the government’s attempt to dismiss our case. Our lawsuit, filed in September 2017 on behalf of 11 Americans whose devices were searched, takes direct aim at the illegal policies enforced by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and its component agencies, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). In our brief we explain that warrantless searches of electronic devices at the border violate the First and Fourth Amendments, and that our 11 clients have every right to bring this case. This is just the latest action we’ve taken in the fight for digital rights at the border. EFF is pushing back against the government’s invasive practices on three distinct fronts: litigation, legislation, and public education.

21. U.S. forecasts tourism turnaround
   (Register-Guard; 436k uvm; Eugene, OR)

Despite a slump in international tourism to the United States in the last two years, the U.S. Department of Commerce on Friday released a report forecasting an 18.5 percent growth in international visitation through 2022. A chart from the department’s National Travel and Tourism Office forecasts growth every year through 2022, with projections up from last year’s 75.1 million international visitors to 78 million this year, 80.9 million next year, 83.4 million in 2020, 86.2 million in 2021 and 89 million in 2022. The chart shows international visitation to the U.S. grew steadily every year from 2009 to 2015, when arrivals numbered 77.5 million. But there was a drop in 2016 to 75.9 million, followed by a drop in 2017 to 75.1 million, though the report said last year’s number is still being finalized and could change.

22. Biometric Border Screening Presents ‘Biggest Opportunity of 2018’ for Travel Industry: WTTC
   (Find Biometrics; 56k uvm; Toronto, ON) … Alex Perala

Biometric border screening represents “the single biggest opportunity for the Travel & Tourism sector in 2018,” says World Travel & Tourism Council President Gloria Guevara Manzo. Her comments come ahead of the WTTC Global Summit in April, where the WTTC is likely to place a strong focus on biometric security for the travel
industry. Speaking at a recent tourism forum in Spain, Guevara pointed to a growing trend toward biometrics in travel screening, ICAO efforts to promote this technology, and a UN Security Council resolution reached at the end of last year that she characterized as mandating “all governments to employ biometric security for counterterrorism activity”, with the latter in particular presenting “an excellent opportunity for all stakeholders to come together.” Thus the travel and tourism sector must “work with governments and security agencies to agree [on] a standard approach which can be deployed across the travel and tourism system,” Guevara said.

WORKFORCE

23. Military desertion is issue in border agent's murder case
   (Associated Press) … Terry Tang

A Border Patrol agent's past arrest for military desertion, which he didn't disclose when applying for a job with the agency, is relevant at his murder trial in the cross-border shooting of a Mexican teen, federal prosecutors argued in court documents asking a judge to allow the evidence… According to documents filed on Thursday, Jan. 25, 2018, federal prosecutors said Swartz's past arrest for military desertion, which he never disclosed when applying for work, is relevant to his murder trial…Prosecutors say Swartz omitted his desertion and arrest when applying to work for the Border Patrol. Instead, he stated that he served in the Army for one month before quitting. "The jury should be apprised of those statements in evaluating his credibility on the witness stand," the prosecutors' request states. "The fact that these statements were made when he applied ... make them particularly germane to this case which involves his conduct as a Border Patrol agent."

OPINION

24. The Un-American ICE
   (Esquire; 9.3M uvm) … Charles P. Pierce

When the damage done by this administration* is toed up, assuming there will be somebody left to count the cost, the unleashing of Border Patrol and the Immigration and Customs Enforcement division, and the subsequent depredations thereof, are going to rank right at the top of the list. If you want to see real fascism in action, look at what these people have been up to.

25. Immigration Hand-Biters and Bad Politics
   (American Spectator; 1.3M uvm; Arlington, VA) … Scott McKay

Thursday, lots of conservatives for whom a harder line on immigration is a fundamental issue devolved into arrhythmia upon news that President Trump offered to place as many as 1.8 million Dreamers, or illegal aliens brought to the United States as children by their parents, on a path to citizenship. That alarm should have been short-lived, as there was no real danger the Democrats would be smart enough to take it. Why?
Because the ask that went with Trump’s offer required the other side to come to the table. The president’s conditions for the amnesty he offered were fairly reasonable, but substantive — he wants $25 billion for the wall and border security, he wants an end to chain migration from all immigrants, not just the DACA recipients who have been discussed to date, and he wants an end to the diversity lottery. In other words, he’ll give the Democrats what they say they want, and more. The Democrats demanded legal status for the 700,000 DACA recipients from Trump in their recently-failed shutdown bid, and Trump is proposing more of a grand bargain, in return for what Republicans want — a full-on shift in immigration policy to reflect a skills-and-merit based immigration system, together with the resources to create the kind of border security that eliminates the potential for the next round of DACA recipients in 10 or 20 years. And the offer of amnesty to the 1.8 million Dreamers is contingent in their possessing “work history, the right amount of education, and good moral character.”

IMMIGRATION

26. American Workers Unrepresented in Immigration Talks in Davos
(Breitbart; 19.1M uvm) … John Binder

During a panel discussion, Nielsen touted a merit-based legal immigration system and the importance of legal immigrants assimilating to American culture, a plan President Trump, Sen. Tom Cotton (R-AR), and Sen. David Perdue (R-GA) have championed. When speaking of a modern legal immigration system, however, Nielsen ignored the crushing impact of immigration on American workers, opting, instead, to say that immigration had two sides to please: foreign nationals and the business community. What I can tell you is what [President Trump] means. I won’t go into what other people like to put words in people’s mouths. What he means is let’s look at the individual. It’s time to stop looking at immigration based on the country, and look at the individual. What can the individual come and contribute to the United States? How can an individual come and assimilate? How can an individual come … become American? That’s why we want them to come [emphasis added]. So this isn’t about limiting legal immigration. This is, as [Rep. Kevin McCarthy] was describing before in my coughing attack, how can we do it so that it helps both sides? Those who want to unify their families and the communities and businesses who need workers, who need skilled workers to come in and help our economy. So it’s not – it’s been falsely framed as a conversation about countries. It’s not about the country. Whether we’re talking about security and illegal immigration or legal immigration, we’re trying to talk about the individual. Is the individual a threat? I don’t want them to come to the United States [emphasis added]: Trump’s pro-American immigration agenda has centered around implementing a legal immigration system that protects the jobs and wages of American workers, such as the RAISE Act, authored by Cotton and Perdue, which would cut legal immigration to 500,000 immigrants a year to reduce the burden that has been placed on working and middle class communities.

27. New I-94 Features Provide Visa Waiver Visitors Peace of Mind
(JD Supra; 700k uvm; Sausalito, CA) … Cozen O’Connor
On January 5, 2018, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) kicked off two new “traveler compliance initiatives” aimed at assisting those travelers to the US on the Visa Waiver Program (VWP). These newly added features to the I-94 website (https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/#/home) under the “View Compliance” tab, allows travelers to check the status of their admission to the United States. This check alerts travelers of the number of days remaining in their lawful period of admission or the number of days they have remained beyond that period. In addition, CBP says it will now send an email notification to VWP travelers who are still in the United States 10 days before the expiration of their lawful admission period, aimed at preventing VWP travelers from overstaying. Traveler compliance emails will be received from: Staycompliance-donotreply@cbp.dhs.gov. CBP advised that if travelers receive any similar notification from any other address, to be aware of any “phishing scam or other fraudulent email.” To check their admission dates, travelers will enter their biographic and passport information under the “View Compliance” tab on the I-94 website. The date calculations will be made using the authorized period of admission date designated by a CBP officer when a traveler arrives in the country. CBP also noted that the Form I-94 provides nonimmigrant visitors with evidence that they have been lawfully admitted to the United States, which is used to verify alien registration, immigration status, and benefits, such as employment authorization.

28. **Dreamers slam Trump’s “White Supremacist Ransom Note”**
(People’s World; 60k uvm) … Mark Gruenberg

The top organization for the “Dreamers” — the undocumented people brought to the U.S. when they were kids — slammed GOP President Donald Trump’s “Framework on Immigration Reform & Border Security” as a “white supremacist ransom note.” And the scheme, unveiled at the White House while Trump was on his way to hobnob with international elites in Davos, Switzerland, also drew scorn from backers of the Dreamers, including the Service Employees, Sen. Catherine Cortez Musto, D-Nev., who is the first-ever Latina U.S. senator, and the Congressional Hispanic Caucus “How crazy is this?” the Bricklayers asked in a tweet. “Let’s call this proposal for what it is: A white supremacist ransom note,” said Greisa Martinez Rosas, advocacy director of United We Dream. “Trump and (top aide) Stephen Miller killed DACA and created the crisis immigrant youth are facing. They have taken immigrant youth hostage, pitting us against our own parents, Black immigrants and our communities in exchange for our dignity,” she said, referring to the Obama administration’s Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program. That program includes some 690,000 Dreamers. “To Miller and Trump’s white supremacist proposal, immigrant youth say: No.”

29. **NAACP Sues Homeland Security Over Haiti Immigration Policy**
(Associated Press) … Jennifer Kay

The NAACP has sued the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, citing President Donald Trump’s disparaging comments about immigrants and their home countries as
evidence of racial discrimination influencing his administration’s decision to end protections for roughly 60,000 Haitians…

**30. Preview President Trump’s State of the Union Address on Immigration**  
(People’s Pundit Daily)

President Donald Trump will deliver his first State of the Union address on Tuesday. In an excerpt of the speech provided to People’s Pundit Daily (PPD), President Trump will call for measures to reduce the number of illegal aliens permitted to enter the country, and tout the gains his administration has made in doing so during his first year in office. “All Americans, not only in the States most heavily affected but in every place in this country, are rightly disturbed by the large numbers of illegal aliens entering our country,” President Trump will tell Congress and the nation. “The jobs they hold might otherwise be held by citizens or legal immigrants. The public service they use impose burdens on our taxpayers.” Worth noting, a new Harvard-Harris Poll finds Americans overwhelmingly agree with the president on border security, reducing both legal and illegal immigration, putting an end to chain migration and the so-called diversity visa lottery. “That’s why our administration has moved aggressively to secure our borders more by hiring a record number of new border guards, by deporting twice as many criminal aliens as ever before, by cracking down on illegal hiring, by barring welfare benefits to illegal aliens.” President Trump made cracking down on illegal immigration the centerpiece of his campaign. End-of-year statistics from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) confirm he has had historic success doing so during the first year of his administration.

**DHS NEWS**

**31. How small, simple acts lead to big changes on Best Places to Work rankings**  
(WFED-AM; 853k uvm; Washington, D.C.) … Nicole Ogrysko

“We need to think big, but we need to act small,” Homeland Security Department Deputy Secretary Elaine Duke said Friday morning at the Partnership for Public Service’s Best Places to Work awards breakfast. “Even on the busiest of days, we have time to say ‘hi’ to someone we don’t know, we have time to shoot an email that thanks someone or ask someone a question.” Duke accepted the Homeland Security Department’s award as the “most improved” large agency on the Partnership for Public Service and Deloitte’s annual “Best Places to Work in the Federal Government” rankings…DHS overcame six consecutive years of declining engagement scores and improved by 6.2 points in 2017, the second year in a row the department saw measurable progress. “DHS has never been, to put it gently, at the top of these rankings, but we are working tirelessly to change that,” Duke said. She spent last year touring DHS offices and subcomponents across the country to listen employees’ concerns…Duke said it’s those small acts that can change how employees perceive their work environment and their leaders. “Unfortunately the bar is a little low,” she said. “I just yesterday had probably the most humbling experience of my return to federal
service. I was meeting with our executive secretariat group, and an employee in the Q&A session thanked me for saying ‘hi’ to him last week. That was amazingly uplifting knowing that everything we do is noticed. It was so humbling to know that that makes a difference, and that it must not be that common that someone noticed it.”

**OF INTEREST**

32. **The Wall - A Nation Divided**
   (CBS News; 26.0M uvm; New York, NY)

President Trump has requested $25 billion to build a wall that he says will secure our southern border. His critics say it's unnecessary, that the border isn't as porous as some might think. The reality on the ground is far more complex. In some areas of America, the southern border doesn't just separate two countries, it also cuts a nation in two. The Tohono O'odham Nation reservation straddles the Nevada/Mexico border. Up to a point, the border is a sturdy metal fence, but for much of the Tohono O'odham nation, it's a ramshackle barbed-wire-and-sticks fence — if it exists at all. And for some people, that's just fine. Exploited by smugglers and other border-hoppers, the Tohono O'odham people are conflicted. A solid border wall would mean their lands are not abused for criminality, but it would also split families in two, families who cross back and forth across a border they only barely recognize, and threaten a way of life that predates the United States. They see themselves as custodians of a land that the government would eagerly draw a line through. "CBSN Originals" visits the Tohono O'odham people, and their neighbors in law enforcement, to see what a new border wall would do. Would it put an end to a constant game of cat and mouse and make America more secure, or needlessly tear a nation in two?

33. **With U.S. competition hurting its marijuana business, Mexico warms a little to legalization**
   (Los Angeles Times; 23.9M uvm) … Kate Linthicum

For decades, marijuana flowed in one direction across the U.S.-Mexico border: north. These days, drug enforcement agents regularly seize specialty strains of retail-quality cannabis grown in the United States being smuggled south. Widespread legalization in the U.S. is killing Mexico's marijuana business, and cartel leaders know it. They are increasingly abandoning the crop that was once was their bread and butter and looking elsewhere for profits, producing and exporting drugs including heroin and fentanyl and banking on extortion schemes and fuel theft. So when Mexico's tourism secretary this week boldly declared his hopes that Mexico will legalize marijuana for recreational use in an effort to reduce growing violence across the nation, some balked at the notion that marijuana was driving the bloodshed. "Avocados are a bigger industry than marijuana," said security expert Alejandro Hope. "And the number of homicides connected to marijuana are very small." "It is naive to believe that legalizing marijuana will reduce crime rates," tweeted Margarita Zavala, a presidential candidate. Still, that a Cabinet member was willing to advocate such a policy marks a dramatic shift from a time when Washington dictated a hard-line drug policy across Latin America. Mexican leaders
have increasingly been taking more liberal stances on marijuana, in part to stay in step
with other countries in the region and in part because they are at a loss about how to
stem Mexico’s rising violence, much of which is centered around the drug trade.

34. Illegals commit crimes at double the rate of native-born: Study
(Washington Times; 10.8M uvm) … Stephen Dinan

The crime rate among illegal immigrants in Arizona is twice that of other residents,
Attorney General Jeff Sessions said Friday, citing a new report based on conviction
data. The report, from the Crime Prevention Research Center, used a previously
untapped set of data from Arizona that detailed criminal convictions and found that
illegal immigrants between 15 and 35 are less than 3 percent of the state’s population,
but nearly 8 percent of its prison population. And the crimes they were convicted of
were, on the whole, more serious, said John R. Lott Jr., the report’s author and
president of the research center. His findings also challenge the general narrative that
immigrants commit fewer crimes. Those past studies usually don’t look at legal versus
illegal populations, Mr. Lott said. Mr. Lott said the Arizona data is able to peek behind
that curtain, and the differences between the populations were stark. “There appears to
be a huge difference between the two groups,” Mr. Lott said. “The type of person who
goes through the process to legally immigrate in the United States appears to be very
law-abiding versus even the U.S.-born population. The reverse is true for
undocumented immigrants — they are committing crimes, and more serious crimes.”

35. What to do if an Immigration or Border Patrol officer confronts you
(Miami Herald; 8.9M uvm; Doral, FL) … Daniel Shoer Roth

And in South Florida, U.S. Border Patrol agents stopped a Greyhound bus en route to
Orlando and demanded citizenship documentation, detaining a Jamaican citizen. For
the record: under federal statutes, immigration officials do have the authority to “board
and search for aliens in any vessel within the territorial waters of the United States and
any rail car, aircraft, conveyance, or vehicle” within 100 miles of a land or sea border. In
Florida, that means the entire state. Some advocates disagree with this interpretation
and contend that actions such as boarding buses solely traveling in the interior of the
state may violate the Fourth Amendment. However, should you find yourself in a
situation like this, whether in public spaces, places of employment or private homes, all
residents — including legal and undocumented immigrants — can exercise basic
constitutional rights to respond to authorities. “These enshrined rights are applicable to
all people regardless of their immigration status and are a muscle that people should
use,” says Adonia Simpson, director of the Family Defense program of Americans for
Immigration Justice, based in Miami. However, the lawyer emphasizes, that “does not
guarantee that the rights are not violated; that immigrants are not detained.” These
include the right to remain silent, the right to deny permission to a search of your
person, vehicle or home, and the right to request a lawyer. What should you do when
the authorities ask for your papers? Here are some tips:...
36. Customs and Border Patrol vehicle parked on Cal campus sparks fear of raid
(KGO-TV; 1.7M uvm; San Francisco, CA) … Katie Utehs

A U.S. Customs and Border Patrol vehicle parked on the Cal campus Friday afternoon led to fears of an ICE raid. Both the university and the mayor of Berkeley mobilized. "Obviously there's a great deal of concern particularly given the ICE director's announcement that they plan on conducting 1,500 arrests in California," said Berkeley Mayor Jessie Arreguin. Someone snapped a picture of the ICE vehicle and sent it to a Latina activist group. They Tweeted: "URGENT: ICE has been confirmed on the northwest side of U.C. Berkeley." Arreguin says the fear of a raid is real. "We do know that it's going to happen at some point and it's a sad reality." Cal's undocumented student program sent out a note offering its offices to students if they felt threatened. They Tweeted about the situation, saying in part that ICE was invited to speak on campus: "I think it shows just a heightened sense of concern in our community," said Arreguin. The undocumented student program says the global entry program has agreed to notify them ahead of future campus visits. There will be additional global entry interviews in February and April.

(Voice of San Diego; 146k uvm) … Seth Hall

Last year, two San Diego Sheriff's deputies stopped a car in Mission Bay for what they claim was a cracked windshield. Inside were two undocumented immigrants the deputies suspected of drug smuggling. But after a search of the car turned up nothing, Border Patrol agents suddenly appeared and took the couple into custody, eventually handing them over to immigration enforcement. The sheriff's deputies had called them, despite policies barring sheriff's deputies from enforcing immigration laws. The Sheriff's Department "maintains they did not violate department policy because Border Patrol independently made the decision to dispatch agents to the scene," Maya Srikrishnan and Mario Koran report. Deputies claimed to have contacted Border Patrol only to ask for information about the couple's border crossings. When we asked the department to provide the audio from the incident, they denied our request. Regardless, the case highlights just how difficult it will be for California to stop local police agencies from getting entangled with enforcing immigration laws, which the state pledged to do in the recently signed California Values Act law.

38. Inside the U.S. government's simulated border patrol installations
(Architect's Newspaper; 139k uvm; New York, NY) … Ersela Kripa & Stephen Mueller

While architects commonly use mock-ups of custom elements, construction details, and assemblies to gain confidence over the future prospects of experimental endeavors, the national security complex amplifies this logic at a much larger scale: building entire mock infrastructures and city-scale installations to test and refine its operations,
procedures, and footprint. Among the many replicas of critical infrastructure populating a growing number of law enforcement training sites in the United States, the port of entry (POE) is an increasingly common typology, used for training U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) agents and related forces in the duties of facilitating and managing the various flows of people, vehicles, and goods which enter and leave the country.

SOCIAL MEDIA ANALYSIS

OF NOTE

• The tweet by the American Civil Liberties Union that characterized the White House’s immigration proposal as “hateful” sustained as the most retweeted post within the social media conversation. The tweet garnered 4.3k retweets, 5.0k likes, and 679 replies.

• The top shared URL linked to an article by DML News titled “DML: I just got off the phone with two border patrol agents, here is what they told me…” 486 users shared the DML News article.

• The post by the @CustomsBorder account that received the highest amount of engagement is a retweet of @DepSecDuke post of Deputy Secretary Elaine Duke, pictured accepting the award for most improved large agency in the 2017 Best Places to Work rankings. The post received 26 retweets, 86 likes, and 9 replies.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Coverage of Vice President Pence and DHS Sec. Nielsen’s trip to the border region sustained as nearly 100 outlets reported the visit. The subject was the focus of four of the top five most retweeted posts in the CBP social media conversation.
- Approximately 75 international, national, and local outlets reprinted an Associated Press article, which reported a man threw rocks from a fence that dented a Border Patrol vehicle. The article noted that no one sustained injuries.
- Local Savannah, GA media outlets widely covered the discovery of potentially dangerous insects in three shipments by CBP Agriculture Specialists. Savannah Morning News, Business in Savannah, WTOC-TV, and WJCL-TV reported the storyline. The four Savannah outlets all included statements from Lisa Beth Brown, Area Port Director of Savannah.

TOP NEWS

1. **Vice President Mike Pence visits the Texas-Mexico border**
   (CNN; 29.8M uvm) … Elizabeth Landers and Polo Sandoval

Vice President Mike Pence travels to the Texas-Mexico border on Friday in his first visit to the area as vice president. A White House official said Pence will be joined by Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen and Texas' Sen. Ted Cruz for an "operational tour" of the border. The group will participate in a roundtable discussion with US Customs and Border Protection about the infrastructure and technology behind a potential border wall. Another senior administration official added that there will also be a conversation about loopholes in the current immigration laws that permit MS-13 gang members to come to the US. This was also the topic of a White House roundtable earlier this week. The vice president will travel to the border before President Donald Trump has been able to make such a trip, though Trump has said several times he plans to travel to see border wall prototypes.

2. **Border Patrol says rocks thrown from Mexico dent vehicle**
   (Associated Press)

The U.S. Border Patrol says rocks thrown by a man on top of a fence on the U.S.-Mexico border dented an agent’s vehicle but no one was injured. Officials said Friday that the incident occurred at 7:25 p.m. on Wednesday in the Calexico area, east of San
Diego. A man on top of a fence between the two countries threw the rocks as another man scrambled over the barrier to return to Mexico after an agent approached him to question him. Assistant Chief Patrol Agent David S. Kim says the rock dented the vehicle.

3. ‘Dangerous’ hitchhikers found in Savannah port shipment
   (Savannah Morning News; 436k uvm; Savannah, GA) … DeAnn Komanecky

Several possibly dangerous bugs were stopped by U.S. Customs and Border Protection specialists at the Port of Savannah last month. Agriculture specialists with the agency intercepted three “First in Port” insects in three separate shipments of tile and stone from Turkey and Italy. First in Port interceptions are for pests that have not been encountered at the specific port of entry. “The work performed by our agriculture specialists directly impacts our daily lives by keeping insects, noxious weeds, contaminated soil and other threats out of our country,” said Lisa Beth Brown, CBP Savannah Area Port Director. “The discovery of these unique and threatening pests during cargo inspections highlights the hard work of the dedicated CBP staff.” … Brown said that finding these pests is important to Georgia’s agriculture and timber industries. “We don’t want anything introduced into our area that could harm agriculture or commerce,” Brown said. Brown noted that finding three pests in a short time is an “event.” “It doesn’t happen that often.” Brown said pests, like the ones recently found, are frequently destroyed following the investigation. The shipped items where pests are found are treated for those pests if needed, Brown said. “If it’s too infested we seal it up and export it out of the United States.”

NEWS INDEX

BORDER SECURITY

Along U.S. Borders

4. Border Patrol Agents Arrest Felony Child Abuser, Sex Offender after Illegal Crossing
   (Breitbart; 19.1M uvm) … Bob Price

Border Patrol agents in the Tucson Sector arrested a previously deported child sex offender after he illegally crossed from Mexico. In a separate incident, agents arrested a previously deported man with a felony conviction for child abuse. On Wednesday, agents assigned to the Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station observed a man crossing the international border in an area east of the Naco Port of Entry. The agents arrested the man and took him to the station for processing, according to information provided to Breitbart Texas by U.S. Customs and Border Protection officials. All illegal aliens arrested by Border Patrol agents are subjected to a biometric background investigation after being arrested. In this case, records revealed that a Las Vegas, Nevada, court previously convicted the Mexican national, 41-year-old Angel Bautista-Sanchez, for “lewd or lascivious acts with a minor.” Following his 2013 conviction, immigration officers deported the criminal alien.
5. **Immigrants in Florida, facing a Texas SB-4 "anti-sanctuary" environment, activists say**  
(Houston Chronicle; 16.3M uvm) … Olivia P. Tallet

A coalition of organizations in Florida issued an "emergency advisory " against traveling to the state in response to an increase of immigration arrests and a controversial bill in the state Senate, proposed legislation similar to Texas's anti-sanctuary city bill SB-4. The Immigrant Coalition, a network of more than 20 immigrant and human right advocacy groups, said Wednesday that it was urging people "to reconsider visiting Florida" and especially recommended avoiding high-risk areas, including sea ports, airports and Greyhound bus stations. "We are not calling for a boycott of Florida at this moment but, unfortunately, we are seeing an increase in cases of racial profiling and clear violations of civil rights," said Melissa Taveras, a leader of the coalition in Florida.

6. **Outrage as US border agents cut visit times for divided families**  
(The Guardian; 14.7M uvm) … Sam Levin

US Border Patrol is restricting access to a park on the California-Mexico border where families separated by immigration laws frequently visit each other, sparking outrage from human rights advocates. At Friendship Park, which extends from San Diego to Tijuana, US authorities are now limiting meetings to 30 minutes and allowing only 10 people at a time, a major policy change that dismantles what is for many families the only opportunity to spend time with their loved ones in person. The news came a month after Border Patrol cancelled “Door of Hope” events where officials opened a gate at the park so parents and children divided by the border could hug for a few minutes, fueling criticisms that authorities were adopting cruel policies that serve no public safety purpose.

7. **How CNY traffic stop for speeding ended with driver facing up to life in prison**  
(The Post-Standard; 3.2M uvm; Syracuse, NY) … Chris Libonati

Jake Patnode was heading home, driving north on Interstate 81 last weekend when a deputy pulled him over for speeding, going 72 mph in a 65 mph zone. That quickly became the least of the man's worries. The deputy asked Patnode if he had a weapon, Patnode told him he had metal knuckles in his coat pocket, according to felony complaint filed by a federal investigator in U.S. District Court. ... A U.S. Border Patrol officer was brought in with his drug-sniffing police dog, K9 Doris, the complaint said. The dog indicated the presence of drugs, the complaint said.

8. **Verify: Tour of the Texas-Mexico border**  
(WFAA-TV; 2.1M uvm; Dallas, TX) … David Schechter

**VIDEO:** He's been saying it since the campaign and now President Donald Trump is asking Congress for $23-billion dollars to finish the wall with Mexico and improve
security. On Verify, I take real people on the road. They ask their own questions, see what I see and reach their own conclusions. Sherman Powers is a Verify viewer, a registered nurse and a world traveler. He supports Trump and the wall. "I think for the greater good of the nation that we should complete the project and see where it takes us," Sherman said before his 2-part Verify adventure begins. I'm taking Sherman to Texas' Rio Grande Valley and US-Mexico border. He wants to know if the security provided by a wall is more important than the rights of land-owners whose property is in the way.

9. **Vice president stops in McAllen to tour border**
   (The Monitor; 188k uvm; McAllen, TX) … Mitchell Ferman

**VIDEO:** Pence attended a roughly 30-minute briefing inside the port that featured his wall walking partners, as well as Border Patrol RGV Sector Chief Manuel Padilla, CBP Director of Field Operations in Laredo David Higgerson, U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Texas Ryan K. Patrick, Hidalgo County Sheriff Eddie Guerra and various other federal law enforcement. "Customs and Border Protection actually apprehends 1,100 people crossing the border illegally every day, and we just heard that last year at this border crossing you processed some 7 million people coming into the country legally," Pence said. "Homeland Security, I am told, refuses entry to seven known or suspected individuals who may have terrorist intent in this country every day, or roughly 2,500 a year. It underscores the importance of the work. " In the last eight months, 2017 saw a 300 percent increase in unaccompanied minors as well, and a 600 percent increase in family units crossing the border illegally." Pence did not distinguish how many of those 1,100 daily apprehensions are people seeking asylum. But McAleenan echoed Pence, and added that his department’s drug seizures are up in "every single category." Padilla explained that 45 percent of all human and 30 percent of all narcotics apprehensions on the U.S.-Mexico border last year occurred in the Valley. “About $78 million this year will go to the cartels based on human smuggling taking place in this sector," Padilla added, as Pence took notes on a legal pad.

10. **Amid failure to pass immigration bill, wall opponents protest VP’s visit**
    (The Monitor; 188k uvm; McAllen, TX) … Lorenzo Zazueta-Castro

With a border fence symbolically at their backs, more than 20 members of the Rio Grande Valley Equal Voice Network on Friday held a news conference here just hours before Vice President Mike Pence landed in McAllen. The gathering of immigration advocates was in protest of the lack of community representation during the vice president’s visit to the Valley. Standing only feet from the U.S.-Mexico border and next to the Hidalgo Port of Entry, a facility Pence was scheduled to tour, members of the advocacy network held protest signs and chanted anti-wall and pro-immigrant slogans. Pence, who was also going to be on a boat tour on the Rio Grande, was scheduled to meet with law enforcement and U.S. Customs and Border Protection officials as well.

11. **Man flown to hospital after human-smuggling attempt on SR 83**
    (Nogales International; 85 uvm; Nogales, AZ)
Border Patrol agents from the Sonoita Station arrested a woman for human smuggling near the State Route 83 immigration checkpoint, and rescuers had to fly one of her undocumented passengers to the hospital after he suffered injuries while fleeing arrest. In a news release, the Border Patrol said agents were following a gray Nissan Sentra south of the checkpoint Tuesday evening when they saw the driver pull over and multiple people exit the vehicle and run into the desert. The agents activated their emergency lights and while some detained the driver, a 29-year-old woman, others tracked the fleeing suspects.

12. Search Of Border Crosser's Phone Leads To Child Porn Arrest
(KURV-AM; 16k uvm; McAllen, TX)

A suspect from Mexico faces child pornography charges after a search of his cell phone at a Valley border crossing. Customs and Border Protection agents say they found images of nude underage females during a routine cell phone search at a Brownsville area international crossing. Investigators claim Gustavo Díaz admitted he downloaded the images. Díaz is in federal custody while he waits on a date in court.

Ports of Entry

13. Marijuana, Meth Found In Man's Checked Bag At Dulles Airport
(WJZ-TV; 24.6M uvm; Baltimore, MD)

VIDEO: A Sudanese man was arrested Tuesday after authorities found drugs in his checked bag at Washington Dulles International Airport. U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers conducted a routine examination of passengers boarding a flight to Ethiopia and encountered 37-year-old Abdelsalam Abdelhafiz, who entered the country on a travel visa in 2005 and never left. While inspecting Abdelhafiz’s checked baggage, officers discovered nearly 14 grams of marijuana, a grinder and nearly two grams of meth. Abdelhafiz was taken into custody and charged with possession of drugs and drug paraphernalia. Customs and Border Protection issued a detainer for Abdelhafiz to be returned upon a decision of his charges.

14. Skunk stuck in yogurt cup captured by Honolulu dockworkers
(Honolulu Star-Advertiser; 2.1M uvm; Honolulu, HI) … Timothy Hurley

A skunk with its head stuck in a yogurt cup was discovered this morning at Honolulu Harbor and later taken into quarantine by state Department of Agriculture inspectors. U.S. Customs and Border Protection agents called the department at about 7:15 a.m. to report that stevedores at Pier 1 had apprehended the animal, believed to be the first ever captured in Hawaii. Officials said plastic traffic barriers were used to trap the critter until agriculture inspectors arrived. The skunk was then taken to the department’s Animal Industry Division, where it was tested for rabies. Results from a mainland laboratory will take several days.
15. Pills and pot cigarette lead to fine at BWI
(WUSA-TV; 1.5M uvm; Washington, DC) … Zachary Majernik

The traveler was released after paying a $500 Zero Tolerance Narcotics Penalty and was not criminally charged for the incident. “Possessing narcotics, even in small amounts considered for personal use, remains illegal and travelers face severe consequences, from costly civil penalties up to, and including, possible arrest,” said Dianna Bowman, CBP Area Port Director for the Port of Baltimore. CBP officers seize an average of 7,910 pounds of drugs a day across all 328 U.S. ports of entry nationwide. “It is Customs and Border Protection’s mission to keep illicit drugs out of the United States, and CBP officers are central to that mission. This seizure is a direct reflection of our commitment to enforcing all federal laws and regulations,” said Casey Owen Durst, CBP’s Field Operations Director in Baltimore.

16. Busy night for Nogales CBP officers, K9s as they seize $1 million in drugs
(KOLD-TV; 596k uvm; Tucson, AZ) … Elizabeth Walton

Thursday, Feb. 15 turned out to be a busy night for U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers assigned to the Port of Nogales, as they stopped several drug smuggling attempts and seized over a $1 million in drugs. The first five smuggling attempts were stopped at the Dennis DeConcini crossing, thanks to some help from a few CBP canines. More than 17 pounds of cocaine and 5 pounds of meth were discovered in a Chevy truck being driven by a 33-year-old woman from Mexico, who had a SENTRI card. According to the CBP release she was pulled for secondary inspection, where the K9 alerted to the center console of the truck. Officers found a hidden compartment with the bundles inside. The drugs combined were worth an estimated $212,000. Her SENTRI card was seized and she faces drug smuggling charges.

17. CBP seizes 14.4 pounds of cocaine, 185 pounds of pot
(KVIA-TV; 533k uvm; El Paso, TX) … Jose Corral

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) seized 14.4 pounds of cocaine and 185 pounds of marijuana on Valentine’s Day. The cocaine seizure occurred just before noon at the Paso Del Norte international crossing when a drug sniffing dog alerted CBP officers to the rear area of a 2011 Chevrolet Malibu. CBP officers searched the vehicle and located a hidden compartment containing seven cocaine filled packages. The 185 pounds of marijuana were found in two separate seizures. "CBP officers are hard at work every day stopping illegal and prohibited items from entering our nation," CBP El Paso Port Director Beverly Good said. "I commend our officers for their commitment and dedication to duty." CBP officers took into custody a 22-year-old female U.S. citizen. She was turned over to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement to face charges associated with the failed drug trafficking attempt.

18. $1.9 million in pot seized at border in Otay Mesa
(San Diego Union-Tribune; 493k uvm; San Diego, CA) … Gary Warth
U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers at the Otay Mesa Port of Entry seized more than one ton of marijuana hidden in a cargo shipment Thursday. Officers inspecting a tractor and trailer that pulled into the facility at about 4 p.m. Thursday found discrepancies with its cargo manifest, which said it was carrying a shipment of water purifiers. During an x-ray exam, officers identified an anomaly and sent the truck and shipment to the dock for a more intensive examination. A dog assisting in the inspection alerted officers to something it detected in the truck. Officers opened the trailer and found boxes containing more boxes with plastic-wrapped packages. In total, officers found 149 hidden packages containing about 3,377 pounds of marijuana. The estimated value is approximately $1.9 million.

19. Officers arrest man after chase at the border, find loaded rifle
(KSWB-TV; 442k uvm; San Diego, CA)

Officers at the San Ysidro port of entry chased an armed man who tried to enter the country illegally and fled from U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers on Tuesday. After fleeing in his vehicle, and then on foot after rear-ending a pick-up truck, the man was caught by officers. Upon searching his vehicle, CBP found a loaded Roebuck Model 25 .22 caliber rifle stuffed between the center console and front passenger seats. Officials confirmed his identity as Carlos Cisneros Bracamontes, a 37-year-old Mexican citizen with no legal status to enter the United States. Bracamontes used the approach lane dedicated to members of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection trusted traveler program, SENTRI, but was not a SENTRI member and did not have appropriate documents, according to an official report. The CBP officer referred him for a more intensive inspection.

20. Border Officials in Arizona Arrest 6 for Drug Smuggling
(Associated Press)

Border authorities in Arizona say they have arrested six people involved in attempts to smuggle a total of more than 200 pounds (90 kilograms) of methamphetamine and cocaine into the United States. The U.S. Customs and Border Protection on Friday detailed six different arrests of people on Thursday after specially trained dogs alerted agents to drugs in the vehicles they were trying to drive across the U.S.-Mexico border at Nogales. Authorities say those arrested included a 33-year-old Mexican woman, who had more than 17 pounds (7.7 kilograms) of cocaine worth over $196,000 and more than five pounds (2.2 kilograms) of methamphetamine worth nearly $16,000 hidden in her truck’s center console. The other five people included men and women, Americans and Mexicans, all 35 or younger.

21. Cocaine found hidden in vehicle on Valentine's Day
(Ten Thousand Couples) … Shelley Chandler

The passenger flew into Baltimore from Reykjavik, Iceland and had to go through a secondary examination by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office. A canine led officers to 17 pounds of cocaine worth nearly $196,000 and more than five pounds of
meth worth $16,000. The drugs were found in the vehicle's center console, according to a agency news release. A 21-year-old male returning to the US was sent for a secondary inspection of his Dodge hatchback. The cocaine was found to weight a total of 14.4 pounds. CBP officers seize an average of 7,910 pounds of drugs a day across all 328 USA ports of entry nationwide. A Ford sedan, driven by a 25-year-old from Mexico was searched and almost 17 pounds of cocaine was found in the center console. CBP officers searched and found almost 96 pounds of methamphetamine hidden throughout the vehicle.

BORDER WALL

22. Lawmaker: Environmental Regulations Hindering Border Patrol Operations
(KARK-TV; 313k uvm; Little Rock, AR) … Ashley Fugo

VIDEO: An Arkansas Congressman fresh off a trip to the Southern Border claims environmental regulations are getting in the way of border patrol operations. During a trip to the U.S.- Mexico border, Congressman Bruce Westerman (R-Ark.) says he saw first-hand the struggles of Border Patrol agents. "The keyword I came away with was access," says Rep. Westerman. Westerman says environmental regulations block access to remote areas, making it difficult to prevent illegal border crossings. "We want to look at ways to allow the Border Patrol to do their job to keep America safe and secure, and right now they're hamstrung," Westerman says. Westerman is working to add an amendment to a House Immigration Bill to construct new access roads in remote areas along the border.

23. Nicol: Waiving of laws in order to build Border Wall has proved to be environmentally destructive
(Rio Grande Guardian; 9k uvm; McAllen, TX) … Dayna Reyes

Scott Nicol, co-chair of the Sierra Club’s Borderlands Team, testified Thursday before the U.S. Committee on Natural Resources’ subcommittee on oversight and investigations. Nicol and the Borderlands Team are strongly critical of White House plans to build a Border Wall. The title of the hearing was, ‘The Costs of Denying Border Patrol Access: Our Environment and Security.’ “The Republican majority on the subcommittee wanted to pretend that adherence to environmental and other laws on federal lands like Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge hinders the Border Patrol. I was the sole witness asked to speak in opposition to that premise,” Nicol told the Rio Grande Guardian, after he had testified. Here below is Nicol's oral testimony. A longer version will be entered into the official record.

24. Claim of '2-for-1 on scapegoating' clouds border hearing
(E&E News) … Jennifer Yachnin

In a hearing that was briefly sidelined over an argument about racism, lawmakers yesterday sparred over whether environmental regulations hamper U.S. Customs and Border Protection agents along the nation's southern boundary. The nearly two-hour
hearing by the House Natural Resources Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations debated whether applying environmental laws to public lands along the nation's 2,000-mile border with Mexico creates hurdles for CBP officers. The panel also discussed the impacts of cross-border traffic, including litter and illegal roads and trails.

**TRADE**

**25. P&G working with CBP to stop counterfeit goods**
(American Shipper; 54k uvm) … Brian Bradley

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has entered into its first formal program accepting “donations” from the private sector to help enforce intellectual property rights (IPR) with Procter & Gamble (P&G), the agency announced Thursday. Under the program, CBP and P&G will work to prevent counterfeit P&G products from entering the U.S. The company will donate testing devices to determine product legitimacy, CBP said. Section 308(d) of the Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act (TFTEA) requires CBP to implement regulations for the donation of technologies, training, or other related services to assist the agency in IPR enforcement. P&G plans to partner with CBP long term by resupplying, and if necessary, upgrading donated test devices as detection needs evolve, CBP said. “CBP views its formal partnership with P&G as an important and significant step towards collaborating on mutually beneficial Intellectual Property Rights solutions,” CBP Office of Trade Executive Assistant Commissioner Brenda Smith said in a statement. “Our long-term agreement with P&G will help strengthen CBP’s immediate and future ability to protect the P&G brand and U.S. consumers.” CBP also said that in general, donations may be used for port of entry construction, alterations, operations and maintenance activities.

**26. Cashmere retailer pays up in customs evasion settlement**
(American Shipper; 54k uvm) … Brian Bradley

The U.S. government entered into settlement agreements totaling $908,100 to resolve allegations that United Kingdom-based Pure Collection Ltd., and its CEO, Samantha Harrison, illegally evaded customs duties that would’ve been paid by customers by breaking up single shipments worth more than the U.S. import de minimis amount into shipments of lesser value, the Justice Department (DOJ) announced. UK citizen Andrew Patrick filed suit under the False Claim Act’s whistleblower provisions allowing private individuals with knowledge of fraud against the U.S. to file lawsuits on the government’s behalf, DOJ said.

**27. P&G donates counterfeit detector to US border authorities**
(Securing Industry) … Katrina Megget

Consumer product firm Procter & Gamble has joined forces with US Customs and Border Protection in a bid to crackdown on fake P&G goods entering the US. A public-private partnership under the CBP’s Donations Acceptance Program, the arrangement will see P&G donate testing devices to the CBP to verify the authenticity of various P&G
products that reach the US’ borders. “The devices will help CBP officers and trade specialists quickly determine the legitimacy of the product, reducing the possibility of counterfeit goods from entering the US stream of commerce,” the CBP said in a statement. The Donations Acceptance Program arises out of the acknowledgement that passengers and cargo reaching the US are outpacing the CBP’s funding for personnel and infrastructure. To address this challenge, the CBP has embarked on exploring and facilitating private-public partnerships where private companies can donate real property (such as new facilities), personal property (such as equipment and technology), non-personal services (such as operations and maintenance) and money, which can be used for port of entry construction, alterations, operations and maintenance-related purposes, and overall infrastructure and technology improvements.

TRAVEL

28. 45th Canadian International Auto Show continues to Feb. 25
(The Observer; 167k uvm; Sarnia, Canada) … Bob Boughner

A word of caution for snowbirds. While the so-called 30-day rule for Canadian snowbirds does not exist in any U.S. law, Canadians should still be aware that in some cases, days they spent in Canada may be counted as days spent in the U.S. It’s because of the way U.S. Customs and Border Protection agents process your arrival and departure record (commonly referred to as 1-94 when you enter the U.S). According to the U.S. Immigration Act, a Canadian resident, non-U.S. citizen nor green card holder cannot be in the U.S. for more than 180 days in a year. Canadian snowbirds should avoid being considered U.S. residents for tax purposes at all costs as it can unnecessarily lead to significant additional income tax being owed to the IRS.

29. CBP Commissioner Clarifies Biometric Screening Issues to Concerned Senators
(Find Biometrics; 56k uvm) … Alex Perala

The Acting Commissioner of the US Customs and Border Protection agency has taken the opportunity of a concerned inquiry from two US senators to clarify the CBP’s actions with respect to biometric border screening. … In a written response to the letter, Commissioner Kevin McAleenan explains that, contrary to a recent report from the Georgetown Law Center on Privacy and Technology, Americans’ participation in its biometric scanning program is entirely voluntary, presented as a means “to streamline parts of the travel process.” As for accuracy, McAleenan says that in assessing the technology with 159,000 travelers between January 1st and November 30th of last year, the “CBP has been able to successfully photograph and match 97 percent of travelers who have photos in U.S. Government systems,” and that those who don’t match are not necessarily denied travel, but rather are processed manually. McAleenan goes on to note that the accuracy variation between men and women “is less than one percent,” and that “CBP has yet to see a significant variance in match rate which can be attributed to demographic variables.” Nevertheless, he says, the CBP will continue to assess and improve its technology incrementally.
30. **Trump budget seeks to end tourism marketing program benefiting Nevada**  
(The Nevada Independent; 16k uvm; Las Vegas, NV) … Humberto Sanchez

Federal funding for the program comes from private donations and fees charged to international visitors who register for visas to enter the U.S. The budget, which instead calls for giving those funds to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection, estimates that $60 million in federal dollars would be raised in 2019 and $66 million in 2020. The program was established under the Travel Promotion Act of 2009, a bill that was championed by former Sen. Harry Reid and which he helped reauthorize for six years in 2014. The funds are used to coordinate marketing efforts around the world that promote the U.S. as a travel destination and to communicate U.S. visa and entry policies. Brand USA began operations in May 2011.

31. **EFF takes aim at CBP biometric plans**  
(Planet Biometrics)

The Electronic Frontier Foundation has said biometric data gathering plans by the US Customs and Border Protections infringe on citizen privacy. In a letter, the EFF describes how it recently met with the CBP Privacy Office, and Office of Field Operations recently to participate in a briefing and update on how the CBP is implementing its Biometric Entry/Exit Program. It writes that the EFF has many concerns about the government collecting and using biometric identifiers, and specifically, we object to the expansion of several DHS programs subjecting Americans and foreign citizens to facial recognition screening at international airports.

**WORKFORCE**

32. **Former border-patrol guard Francisco Cantú to visit Pittsburgh to share immigrant stories**  
(Pittsburgh City Paper; 137k uvm; Pittsburgh, PA) … Ryan Deto

There’s a lot of misinformation being thrown around about undocumented immigrants. Some people equate being undocumented with being a criminal, even though people’s first immigration violation is a civil, not criminal, offense. Many also believe that undocumented immigrants don’t speak English. But, according to the nonpartisan Migration Policy Institute report, 62 percent of undocumented immigrants in Pennsylvania either only speak English or speak English well. No one understands the difference between immigration myths and facts better than author Francisco Cantú. Cantú worked as a U.S. Customs and Border Protection agent from 2008 to 2012. He patrolled the U.S.-Mexico border, and also grew up near the border while his mother worked at National Parks in the Southwest.

33. **Border Patrol holds special recognition ceremony**  
(KGNS-TV; 87k uvm; Laredo, TX)
VIDEO: The Laredo Sector Border Patrol held a special recognition ceremony on Friday morning honoring agents who went above and beyond in the call of duty. Over 60 Border Patrol agents were honored throughout the ceremony, with some agents receiving promotions and others receiving the highest awards. One agent who was injured will receive the Purple Cross Award, while others will receive awards for their gallantry and bravery. The special recognition ceremony is held to showcase the heroes and put their stories front and center. Jason Owens with Border Patrol says, “Well the bigger ceremony does a couple things. Number one, it gives them a chance to get the recognition they so richly deserve, they don’t often get the opportunity to be recognized for things that they go out and do every single day. The other thing is that it gives our community a chance to see that side of the Border Patrol and the Men and Women that wear this uniform.” The ceremony honored agents from all across the Laredo Sector, including Rio Bravo, Freer, Zapata and Hebbronville.

OPIOID EPIDEMIC

34. Follow the international trail of fentanyl and carfentanil to remodeled Akron home
(Akron Beacon Journal; 874k uvm; Akron, OH) … Amanda Garrett

Forty-five Summit County residents overdosed the week that federal agents stopped a suspicious package that had been shipped from China to Green. U.S. Postal Service and Customs and Border Protection didn’t say in court records what drew their attention to the box in October, but when federal agents opened it, they found 100 grams of white powder in a bag tucked into food. Lab tests showed the white powder contained no controlled substances, the affidavit said.

OPINION

35. Why ‘they’ seem more violent than ‘we’ are
(Washington Post; 43.9M uvm) … Suzanne Schneider

Despite evidence to the contrary (the incarceration rate for native-born Americans is nearly twice that of undocumented immigrants and nearly three times that of legal immigrants), a powerful narrative persists that immigrants are preternaturally violent and that our safety is best guaranteed by closing our doors to anyone with brown skin. Witness the Justice Department’s recent slanted study of immigrant crime or the president’s eagerness to wrongly attribute violence to immigrants, including in the death of a Border Patrol officer in November. (An FBI report this month found no signs of an attack in that incident.) As Trump said in his State of the Union address, “Open borders . . . have caused the loss of many innocent lives.” He cited two teenage girls killed in New York by members of the MS-13 gang, which often recruits immigrant minors; he omitted the victims of the 346 mass shootings that occurred in 2017.

36. Trump’s anti-immigrant enforcers want to team up with Trump’s spies.
Watch out.
(The Week; 3.5M uvm) … Shikha Dalmia
Beware the eyes of Trump. Immigration and Customs Enforcement is reportedly trying to join the network of federal departments that can access warrantless surveillance information gathered by the spies at the National Security Agency. U.S. Customs and Border Protection is trying much the same thing. The prospect of these two law enforcement agencies gaining access to such intelligence should send chills down the spines of illegal immigrants — and all Americans. The NSA was originally handed extra-constitutional spying tools to keep an eye on foreign threats — not assist in routine law enforcement by domestic agencies. But it hasn't worked out that way. For many years, this spy agency has been sharing all kinds of information with law enforcement. It claimed that it was taking care to scrub out sensitive and private details about innocent Americans. However, since 9/11, it has come under pressure to abandon even such minimal restraint and share unfiltered information so that law enforcement doesn't miss crucial clues about burgeoning threats.

37. Leaders reject wall on border
   (Albuquerque Journal; 461k uvm; Albuquerque, NM) … Peter Simonson

Just when Southwest border communities most needed a few champions in their corner, NM Sens. Tom Udall and Martin Heinrich stepped forward and answered the call. This week they rejected two immigration proposals in Congress that would have squandered $25 billion to construct a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border. Our senators understand that Dreamers’ lives cannot be ransomed in a cynical tradeoff for President Trump’s wasteful, damaging wall. We need a permanent solution for immigrant youth that does not sacrifice the interests of border communities. President Trump put Dreamers in this predicament by his cruel and unnecessary termination of the DACA program. Now, the president and his hard-liner allies are trying to use Dreamers’ lives as bargaining chips, trading their precarious status to enact anti-immigrant policies that would harm millions of lives and families. This is a made-up crisis, and the primary responsibility for getting out of it is President Trump’s and his party’s. Yet there are some Democrats from non-border states, unfamiliar with our natural treasures and unaffected by intrusive interior Border Patrol checkpoints, who seem ready to give way on funding the border wall.

38. OMG This is Common Sense?
   (ImmigrationReform; 41k uvm) … Dave Ray

Anyone seeking further proof of how disconnected the U.S. Senate is from any kind of reality needs to look no further than yesterday’s immigration debacle. After promising an open debate on the issue where the American public could watch “the greatest deliberative body in the world” cobble together an immigration proposal that would marry a DACA fix with immigration enforcement promises that put President Trump in the White House, the Senate failed to advance anything. … DHS would have to instruct the Border Patrol agents to stay as far away from the border as possible until July 1, 2018 to avoid being trampled by the hordes of illegal aliens, drug dealers and potential terrorists rushing north. This is common-sense?
39. **Confident women can't lose**  
(Lakeland Times; 12k uvm; Minocqua, WI) … Gary Meinert

A number of years ago as a member of the Nogales Border Patrol Citizen's Advisory Board, I thought I would enjoy interviewing women of the agency. That idea came to me when a fantastic woman became the PAIC (chief) of the largest border patrol station in the country and the only woman of the 122 stations to become chief. She brought to the table a female agent who was a supervisor and another joined us as a rank and file agent. I interviewed them for over an hour and found, not to my surprise, they were equal to any male agent I had known. Each of them had gone through the same recruitment and physical training as the men. Two years later I found out the supervisor had been in the field (desert) several years before I met her. At that time however, she was a male agent. This transgender woman not only continued the tasks of a field border patrol agent but during a gender transition. She continues to hold my respect and admiration.

**OF INTEREST**

40. **Ninth Circuit Asked to Quash Limits on Border Crossing Photos**  
(Courthouse News Service; 191k uvm) … Matt Reynolds

A case touching on the freedom of the press to report at southern border ports crossed into the Ninth Circuit on Friday, as civil rights advocates argued border officials have placed unconstitutional burdens on photographers and videographers. At a Friday hearing at the Richard H. Chambers Courthouse in Pasadena, ACLU of San Diego’s attorney Mitra Ebadolahi asked the appeals court to rule that a U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) policy that prohibits photographs at border ports without permission violates the First Amendment.

41. **DHS S&T Develops AI-Based Method for Aircraft Threat Detection**  
(Executive Gov; 21k uvm) … Nicholas Martin

The Department of Homeland Security's science and technology directorate has begun to develop an artificial intelligence-based method for Customs and Border Protection agents to identify non-commercial aircraft threats. DHS said Thursday its S&T directorate is developing the Predictive Threat Model to aid CBP’s Air and Marine Operations Center in efforts to track small general aviation aircraft, ultralights, jets and unmanned aircraft that may be involved in illegal activities. Geoffrey Berlin leads the development of this new method that makes use of machine learning and big data applications based on multiple sources of previously recorded aircraft profiles.

42. **Border Patrol Union President: Agents Destroying Water Jugs Are Humanitarian**  
(Fronteras Desk; 18k uvm; Tempe, AZ) … Michel Marizco
The Border Patrol has come under criticism after humanitarian activists recorded some of its agents destroying water and other provisions left for undocumented border crossers. Brandon Judd is the agency’s union president. He recently told a House Natural Resources committee that agents are not destroying the supplies, contradicting video evidence provided by the group No More Deaths. "If that water heats up in the desert, it’s actually a lot more dangerous to drink extremely heated water than what it is if you don’t have that water at all. So what our agents are doing is they’re actually taking a humanitarian effort to save these individuals," Judd said. Arizona Republican Paul Gosar heads the committee. He asked Judd, "So are the agents actively dismantling supplies for coyotes and individuals being smuggled?" Judd: "Absolutely not." The Border Patrol has never denied the veracity of the videos provided by No More Deaths. A spokesperson said Tucson sector agents have been instructed not to destroy water stations left along trails in the desert.

43. Border Fortunes: Promises of ‘Free Money’ at the 2018 Border Security Expo
(The Revelator) … Laiken Jordahl

Maurice Gill practically jumps up and down on stage in his green uniform. “It's free money!” Gill, law-enforcement liaison with the U.S. Border Patrol, shouts at the crowd. “For us! For you! We need to operationalize right now.” Gill is addressing a room of around 150 border-security industry executives at the 2018 Border Security Expo in San Antonio, Texas, describing the tidal wave of funding Customs and Border Protection and Immigration and Customs Enforcement have received from the Trump administration. This year border-security budgets have ballooned, growing 23 percent for border protection and 30 percent for immigration enforcement, two agencies that operate under Department of Homeland Security authority to enforce immigration laws and police borders. This is in stark comparison to budgets slashed 30 percent for the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of State. … “We are surrounded by insurmountable opportunity,” adds Benjamine Huffman, chief of strategic planning and analysis for Customs and Border Protection. He enunciates each word slowly and carefully. The industry executives are attentive, situated at the helm of an industry whose time has come.

44. Two new exhibits open at the Wellin Museum
(The Spectator; Clinton, NY) … Emily Rivito

Cabrera’s “Space in Between” tells the stories of Spanish-speaking immigrants who have come to America from Mexico and Central America. In partner with Arizona State University and the Desert Botanical Garden in Phoenix, Cabrera created a workshop for these immigrants to build sculptures of desert plants native to the Southwestern United States. The material of these sculptures comes from the uniforms of border-patrol workers, symbolizing the often difficult and troublesome experiences of those immigrating to the United States. The sewing and embroidery techniques were taken from Los Tenangos, Hidalgo, and Mexico. The title of this exhibit was incorporated from
the word Nepantla, a Nahuatl Aztec word for “the space in the middle” that references marginalized cultures and how they survive through resistance.

SOCIAL MEDIA ANALYSIS

OF NOTE

- Vice President Pence and DHS Sec. Nielsen’s visit to the southern border region dominated social media activity. Four of the top five most retweeted posts in the CBP conversation were from the VP’s Twitter account and addressed the visit.

- The most retweeted post of the conversation, by the @VP account, highlighted that to secure the border is a matter of national security and that CBP will brief the VP on potential threats as part of his visit. The post received 1.5k retweets, 7.3k likes, and 1.1k replies. The @CBP account also retweeted the post.

- The top shared URL linked to a post by Ainsley Earhardt of FOX & Friends on the border visit. The Vice President linked to the tweet in the third most retweeted post of the conversation.

- The @CBP account highlighted the interception of shipments that contained ancient artifacts. The post received the highest engagement for the account and garnered 34 retweets, 88 likes, and 4 replies.

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Sir,

Attached is a word document with Station responses to the OBP HQ RFI (NGO Arrests). Other attachments were submitted by STN (NGO Arrest I-44), EPS (I-213 and EPT are from arrests here in EPT.

The EPT Report is password protected with the

VR,

Assistant Chief Patrol Agent
El Paso Sector
Office

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 8:22 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: Management Taskings
Subject: RE: No More Death (NGO related) Type Arrests

10-4 thank you.

Executive Officer (XO)
Law Enforcement Operations Division
El Paso Sector
8901 Montana Ave.
The (b) (7)(E) is working on it. Off the top, they don’t recall, but they’ll check with all (b) (7)(E) also.

VR,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Assistant Chief Patrol Agent
United States Border Patrol
El Paso Sector

Work cell
Work office

Do you and your team have any stats related to this tasking?

Dave, for visibility in case PAO has any input.

Thank you,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Executive Officer (XO)
Law Enforcement Operations Division
El Paso Sector
8901 Montana Ave.
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Desk)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (iPhone)
Chiefs,

On January 17, 2018, TCA arrested a subject associated with the NGO, No More Deaths. The Commissioner has asked that we find out how many of these types of arrests (high profile NGO people) have occurred over the years.

Please advise if there has made any of these types of arrests (NGO people) for harboring/transporting and or other smuggling related charges. Please provide some bullets about each case, if there are any, by noon January 25, 2018.

V/R,
Assistant Chief
Law Enforcement Operations Directorate
Ops West Sectors
U. S. Border Patrol Headquarters

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 5:00:04 PM
To: OPS EAST SECTOR; OPS WEST SECTORS
Subject: No More Death (NGO related) Type Arrests

You have the lead on collating the responses. Follow the NMD IP structure that has.

East/West Teams-

Please get responses NLT 1/25 at 3:00pm:

Tasker - C2 just completed a call about the recent No More Deaths arrest. After the call C2 was looking to find out how many of these types of arrests have occurred over years of ‘high profile’ NGO people for Harboring and other smuggling/transporting related charges. Expand to the entire southwest to capture results. C2 recalls that have had a few over the years.

Regards,

Associate Chief
Law Enforcement Operations Directorate
Operations - East Corridor
U.S Border Patrol
1300 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W.
Good Morning,

In response to the below RFI, I had one encounter on January 23, 2017, with the Communications Director for the Border Network for Human Rights (BNHR). Please see attached I-213 which includes

Date of arrest: 1/23/2017
A#: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Name: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Event: (b) (7)(E)
Admin/Crim Charges: I6A
Synopsis: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) turned herself in to agents at the El Paso Sector Mattox Entry gate due to her immigration status. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was the Border Network for Human Rights Communications Director at the time.
Dispo: NTA/OR

V/R
Operations Officer
Law Enforcement Operations Division
El Paso Sector
(0)(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(C)

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Associate Chief
Law Enforcement Operations Directorate
Operations - East Corridor
U.S Border Patrol
1300 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W.
Washington, DC 20229

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Thanks, maybe a mention at the 8:30 would help.

Let me know if you want me to give a “nudge”.

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Scott A. Luck
Acting Deputy Chief
United States Border Patrol-Headquarters
1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 6.5E
Washington, DC 20229

I do not know yet. Grapevine says only one response received to date is having to crack the whip again.
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Subject: FW: interview request in SA

Importance: High

Close hold, do not forward please. For Chief Huffman's interview at Expo. From my editor said to call you today (I forgot you know the boss here). I just want to ask some questions on the cross border shooting victim where an agent shot the kid and mom is still waiting for answers, the Supreme Court sent that back to a lower court on a Bivens action so I want to get the Chiefs response to that, the lows of apprehensions and what its attributed to but also how many of those are family units compared to previous years, a response to the checkpoint memo and if it’s a result of the little girl in the ambulance that you all held up, and I think my last would be if you all are seeing more tractor trailers with people being smuggled than previous years.
Subject: RE: interview request in SA
Importance: High

Courtesy tasker reminder.

To ensure timely responses, please send direct to OPO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and AS(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) both cc’d).

Thanks,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of BPTasking
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2018 1:26 PM
To: OPSE S, OPS PROGRAMS SPECIALTY PROGRAMS/PLANNING
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: interview request in SA

In preparation for Chief Huffman’s interview, OPA has requested an expedited tasker suspense time only – no change to date. OPA is requesting a NLT noon deadline (highlighted yellow).

Note:
Please send your responses to Chief Huffman’s adjutant, OPO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and AS (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) both cc’d).

Thanks,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of BPTasking
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2018 10:47 AM
To: OPSE S, OPS PROGRAMS SPECIALTY PROGRAMS/PLANNING
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: Interview request in SA

Suspense Date: Noon, 29JAN2018

ALCON,
Please see below OPA request for response on Chief Huffman’s upcoming NPR interview. I have assigned component response (see highlighted areas) to the best of my abilities. If questions requirement redirection, please advise and I will loop-in component for response.

Note:
Please send your responses to Chief Huffman’s adjutant, OPO\textsuperscript{(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)} and ASC\textsuperscript{(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)} both cc’d).

Chief Huffman will be doing an interview with\textsuperscript{(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)} from NPR next week at the Border Security Expo. Can BP provide some media talking points on the following...

- Trends in apprehensions, specifically UACs and family units who we hear are crossing farther west of the RGV (MCAT)
- Violence against agents is trending up, specifically the recent nasty rocking in the San Diego sector \textsuperscript{[Ops West]}
- What’s your thinking on the current $18 billion ask for the border wall—location, physical type, blending it with other security features \textsuperscript{(ORMD)}
- BP chief’s recent memo on medical vehicles at checkpoints, and hospitals as sensitive locations \textsuperscript{(Programs – checkpoint SME’s)}
- Ongoing issues between Tucson Sector and border humanitarian volunteers like No More Deaths \textsuperscript{[Ops West]}

Thanks,

\textsuperscript{(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)}

From:\textsuperscript{(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)}
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2018 7:10 AM
To: BPTasking \textsuperscript{(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)}
Subject: FW: interview request in SA

BP Tasking

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- Ongoing issues between Tucson Sector and border humanitarian volunteers like No More Deaths

I will ask HRM for an update on hiring.

Please provide responses by COB Monday, January so I can compile.

Thanks,

\textsuperscript{(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)}

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 7:49 PM  
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Cc: (b) (6)  
Subject: RE: interview request in SA

I’ll want to ask him about:
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- BP chief’s recent memo on medical vehicles at checkpoints, and hospitals as sensitive locations
- Ongoing issues between Tucson Sector and border humanitarian volunteers like No More Deaths
- Progress report on hiring surge

Very best,

Sent via ATAK/AVP Device

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 4:34 PM  
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Subject: RE: interview request in SA

No, he is the Chief of the Strategic Planning and Analysis Directorate. He will be knowledgeable on all high level things just not down in the weeds on individual operations. He has been in the patrol a very long time.

Sent via ATAK/AVP Device

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 4:18:54 PM  
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Subject: Re: interview request in SA

Greetings [redacted] first, please tell me what his expertise is so I fine tune my questions. Are you coming to SA?
On Jan 24, 2018, at 2:26 PM wrote:

Chief Huffman will be available from 1-2 on the 1st. Can you give me indications of what you would like to discuss?

Thanks,

Assistant Chief, USBP-HQ
Liaison to CBP Public Affairs

From: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 3:04 PM
To: Thanks, guys!

I think we were able to rearrange things and get you with Chief Huffman while in San Antonio. Let me connect you with who can assist with the particulars.

From: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 11:49 AM
To: What’s the status of my interview request in San Antonio next week with Ron Vitiello and Carry Huffman?
The Deputy is going to be travelling that same day, so time is short. Are your questions about the Expo? If he has any time, he may do a short press avail immediately after he speaks but there won’t be any time for one-on-ones.

Still checking... his schedule is really tight.

Happy New Year from the southland. I’ll be covering the Border Security Expo at the end of the month. I’d like to request an on-the-record Q&A with Ron Vitiello on Feb 1 when he’s in San Antonio.

Many thanks,
I have a couple of questions on this document... need to discuss.

Carla L. Provost
Chief
USBP

From: HUDSON, RICHARD M
Sent: Thursday, October 4, 2018 9:40 AM
To: LUCK, SCOTT A (USBP)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: S1's office request - large group apprehensions

Chiefs,

As requested. Attached is the large group OTM IP provided to C1's office for S1.

VR

Rich

Richard M. Hudson
Acting Chief
Law Enforcement Operations Directorate
U.S. Border Patrol Headquarters

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Chiefs,

FYSA. Updated document (requested by Commissioner’s Office) expanding on information on OTMs for sectors other than Tucson (AJO AOR).

VR

Rich

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Good Afternoon,

Please see attached for an updated account of the various Family Units apprehended on the SWB.

Regards,

(Acting) Deputy Chief
Law Enforcement Operations Directorate - Ops
This is great! And since no good deed goes unpunished, noticed that this seems to focus on Ajo/Tucson, and asked if we could either produce another paper about large groups in RGV, or broaden this paper to discuss RGV more.

From: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, September 28, 2018 10:58 AM
To: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
Cc: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
Subject: RE: S1's office request - large group apprehensions

PDF for those on mobile device.

Thanks,

[b] (5)

From: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, September 28, 2018 10:57 AM
To: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
Cc: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
Subject: RE: S1's office request - large group apprehensions

Good Morning,

Please see attached for information related to the large FMUA groups apprehending by Ajo Border Patrol Station agents.

Regards,

[b] (7)(C)
(Acting) Deputy Chief
Law Enforcement Operations Directorate - Ops

From: PETERLIN, MEGHANN K
Sent: Friday, September 28, 2018 7:13 AM
To: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
Cc: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
Subject: RE: S1's office request - large group apprehensions

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: SI’s office request - large group apprehensions

You guys are the very best; thank you!

Meghann K. Peterlin
Executive Director, Policy
Office of the Commissioner
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

On Sep 28, 2018, at 07:03, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) wrote:

USBP is preparing a product.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, September 28 2018 6:58 AM
To: HUDSON, RICHARD M
Cc: BOYD, VALERIE S

Subject: RE: SI’s office request - large group apprehensions

MCAT does not have any information on these large groups and defers to USBP.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Commander
Migration Crisis Action Team
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

From: HUDSON, RICHARD M
Sent: Friday, September 28, 2018 5:10 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: BOYD, VALERIE S
MEGHANN K
PETERLIN,

Subject: RE: SI’s office request - large group apprehensions

Please have the corridor provide additional information, to include and quad sheets we may have on the large groups referenced below.

VR
Hey MCAT & USBP!

Good morning and happy Friday (hooray!!).

We received the below from S1’s office. Hoped you all could please provide a bullet or two on each (?) of the recent large group apprehensions (were they all FMUA?)? Date, numbers, location, country of origin (if available)? Glad to discuss if you have any questions!

Thank you in advance and have a great day!
Meghann

Meghann K. Peterlin
Executive Director | Policy Directorate
Office of the Commissioner
U.S. Customs and Border Protection
On September 25, 2018, at approximately 1600 hours, a total of 163 OTMs surrendered to Border Patrol Agents west of Lukeville, AZ. The initial group consisted of 111 subjects. While the subjects were being prepared for transport, contacted the Ajo TOC. The operator stated they had received a call from a subject identified as (b) (7)(E). The operator informed the TOC Supervisor that stated there were 50 more subjects near (b) (7)(E).

Ajo Agents responded and came in contact with 52 subjects at the top of was present with the subjects on top of the hill along with five other unidentified subjects. and the other five subjects claimed to be part of the group “No More Deaths” and the other five individuals were seen earlier in the day at the placing water at the base of the beacon. At no point did any of the individuals associated with No more Deaths, record or take pictures of the Agents. The subjects were transported to the Ajo Station for further processing.

The group consisted of the following:

Guatemalan (total of 145)

El Salvadorian (total of 18)

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 27, 2018, at 9:41 PM, Wolf, Chad wrote:

Meghann,
Can you validate the story below?
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Chief of Staff
Department of Homeland Security

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Good afternoon,

OPA recommends approval for Chief ‘Carry’ Huffman to be interviewed by national media outlets NPR and WSJ on border security, the wall, and current migration trends while at the Border Security Expo in San Antonio next week. National Public Radio’s [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) and Wall Street Journal’s [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) have both asked for one-on-one interviews with Chief Huffman as the Deputy Commissioner is not available for these engagements.

A pre-brief for Chief Huffman is scheduled for Monday, January 29th on the below reporter-requested topics:

- Trends in apprehensions, specifically UACs and family units who we hear are crossing farther west of the RGV
- Violence against agents upward trend, specifically the recent rocking in the San Diego sector
- Thoughts on the current $18 billion ask for the border wall—location, physical type, blending it with other security features
BP's Chief's recent memo on medical vehicles at checkpoints, and hospitals as sensitive locations.

Ongoing issues between Tucson Sector and border humanitarian volunteers like No More Deaths.

Progress report on hiring.

We will make DHS OPA aware of these engagements as well.

V/r,

Director, Media Division
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Briefing Materials

NGO Community

April, 2017

Synopsis

On Monday April 10, 2017, Chief Patrol Agent will be briefing at a Quarterly NGO Community meeting which Tucson Sector engages with. The following information has been compiled to assist in answering questions about the value of meetings, topics or issues currently being discussed, on-going concerns, positive initiatives, and groups involved.

Talking Points

- Tucson Sector (TCA) has placed a strong emphasis on border community engagement and cooperation with governments of foreign countries. Fostering positive working relationships with our stakeholders is essential to leveraging critical support and assistance from border communities.
- The Tucson Sector Border Community Liaison (BCL) program has BCL representatives at each station who are ambassadors for CBP, proactively providing locally-based CBP points of contact (POC) for facilitating issue resolution, providing feedback, issue follow-up, educating and improving the community’s fact-based knowledge of CBP’s mission, functions, authorities, and responsibilities.
- Each station and Sector, have agents designated as Border Community Liaisons, Ranch Liaisons, and Tribal Liaisons (where applicable) to actively engage stakeholders.
  - Sector Liaisons work to sustain and initiate new relationships with various organizations within our communities and continue to strengthen the public’s trust through a culture of integrity, transparency, and accountability.
  - Liaisons build upon established relationships, by fostering a positive communication and collaboration exchange within the common areas of interest of educating and saving lives.
  - Liaisons work to improve the public’s opinion of the Border Patrol by engaging in dialogue and having an approachable and supporting presence and assisting at various events that community organizations organize.
- BCL’s activities include but are not limited to: Citizens’ Academy, Operation Detour, Ranch Liaison, Tribal Liaison, Career Day events, Border Safety Initiative, Citizen Advisory Boards, Explorers Program, Missing Migrant Program, and outreach to non-governmental organizations.
- BCL works with Non-Government Organizations such as: Humane Borders, Border Action Network, Samaritan groups, Derechos Humanos and No More Deaths and with foreign consulates such as: Mexican Consulate, Guatemalan Consulate, Costa Rican, Honduran and El Salvadorian Consulate.
- Working with Foreign Consulates on joint messaging concerning the dangers of crossing the border illegally through the Sonoran Desert and proper messaging of the rescue beacons located in the west desert are enhanced. Tucson Sector Border Patrol and the Consulate representatives of Mexico and Central America have a common interest in preventing and reducing border deaths and suffering, related to exposure and border violence.
- The Rancher Liaison Program was established in 2001 to assist in initiating relationships with residents/ranchers who reside in their area of responsibility and managing their concerns first hand.
Ranch Liaison Agents work on the resolution of ongoing rancher issues and the most common issues are cut fences, gates left open/closed, off-road driving, illegal activity, and other matters.

Ranch Liaison Agents meet with ranchers a minimum of once every two to three weeks and if additional issues/situations arise they will make time to meet with the ranchers.

- TCA implemented the use of the Compliment and Complaint Management System (CCMS) to monitor, track, and address complaints and compliments reported. Each complaint will be tended to until there is a resolution.
  - TCA BCL has visibility of the program and each station has a POC to address their specific area complaints. Visibility at the sector level allows for awareness and the ability to address any festering issues as soon as possible.
  - Each station has a designated supervisor who will manage the CCMS at their station. Responses are provided to each complainant within 10 days of receipt and all actions are tracked in the system until a resolution is reached.

- Due to Tucson Sector’s diverse environment each station handles stakeholders differently:
  - **CAG** – Primarily works on the Tohono O’odham Nation and is continuously engaged with the following districts handling past, present and ongoing issues/concerns (contacts included):
    - Chukut Kuk District - Chairwoman •
    - Gu Achi District - Chairman •
    - Pisimemo District - Chairman •
    - Sif Oidak District - Chairman •
    - Sells District - Chairwoman •
    - Indian Oasis Elementary School

During their quarterly meetings, CAG BCL Agents are able to promote the Integrated Fixed Towers (IFT), encourage citizens on the TO nations to relay information when they encounter illegal activity, provide a three week Border Patrol Citizens Academy, provide resolutions to requests when new BP Operations may not be initially welcomed by the nation members and taking/resolving complaints and/or compliments.

- As a result of the strong relationship between BP and TON, support for the CAG has been positive and CAG received approval for an additional 5 years of operation through a TON legislative resolution. CAG has recently received approval to install a canopy over the operational area at the

- **BCL meets with several groups in their area of responsibility on a monthly and quarterly basis. Groups/organizations include:**
  - Frontera de Cristo (FDC) – FDC brings numerous colleges and religious groups throughout the year to the area for awareness and tours.
  - Malpais Borderlands Group - The groups focus is conservation and their interests/concerns are land protection, innovative cooperative land management, Habitat restoration, Community outreach and Border Security

- Continues to build upon their already established relationships with the following groups/organizations:
  - Coordinated Critical Response Team (CCRT) BCL attends their meetings on a bi-monthly bases.
  - County Board of Supervisors Meeting BCL attends meetings on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month
  - Government Affairs Committee Meeting BCL attends meetings once a week.
  - Kino Initiative BCL provides tours and BP 101s to students from around the country and Canada.
- Port Authority meetings-The Greater Nogales and Santa Cruz County Port Authority is comprised of seven Charter Member Organizations-each of which is an organization or association that plays an important economic role in the county.
- Nogales Station Citizen’s Advisory Board Meeting (CAB): Every two months the Nogales Border Patrol Station hosts its bi-monthly Citizen’s Advisory Board (CAB) meeting. The meeting provides a forum in which members of the community and the Nogales Border Patrol Station Command Staff can have an open dialog concerning issues in the community.
- Santa Cruz Valley Community Council Meeting (SVCC) attends the meeting on the 3rd Monday of every month.

- Measures its BCL efficiency by rancher/resident feedback, one on one engagements and meetings. Quality of life in is relatively high and mostly supportive of BP, meaning the community feels they are better off having BP present than not. They receive very few complaints arising from operations.
  - engages with several companies, local schools, local law enforcement, and the county. Some of these entities are:
    - Local LEOs
    - Local schools
- continues to build their community relationships with:
  - Tucson Sector Border Patrol will continue to advance its mission by building and maintaining strong relationships with non-government agencies, stakeholders, and border communities in order to promote public safety and securing America’s borders.
NGO’s appearing in the Ajo AOR

- **Aguilas del Desierto**- This group works closely with the TCA Missing Migrant Program. They have a good reputation working with BP and local land managers coordinating rescues and recovering remains. They have the least operational and environmental impact.

- **Aguilas del Desierto**- No ties to BP. Traditionally violate permit rules and regulations of landowners. They have recently been given trespassing citations on the Organ Pipe and have also been escorted off of the reservation for lack of permits and carrying firearms.

- **Humane Borders**- No ties to BP. They are permitted by both the Organ Pipe and the Cabeza to place and maintain the blue water barrels that can be seen from the roadways.

- **Ajo Samaritans**- No ties to BP. Local group in Ajo that has teamed up with NMD in the past.

- **No More Deaths (No Mas Muertas/NMD)**- No ties to BP. Comprised mostly of ASU faculty and students. Traditionally violate permit rules and regulations of local land managers. They have expressed their willingness to continue to violate policy and procedures to include driving off road to drop supplies.

- **A US resident and manager of several migrant support centers in Sonoyta**. No ties to BP. Not affiliated with any group. He calls on other established groups to join his searches.

If you have any additional questions regarding NGO’s in the area, you can send an email to TCA-MMP.
Chiefs,

In case an e-copy is needed.

VR

Rich

Richard M. Hudson
Acting Chief
Law Enforcement Operations Directorate
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Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Subject: RE: S1’s office request - large group apprehensions  

Good Afternoon,  

Please see attached for an updated account of the various Family Units apprehended on the SWB.  

Regards,  

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
(Acting) Deputy Chief  
Law Enforcement Operations Directorate - Ops  

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
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This is great! And since no good deed goes unpunished noticed that this seems to focus on Ajo/Tucson, and asked if we could either produce another paper about large groups in RGV, or broaden this paper to discuss RGV more. (I think the second option makes more sense!)

PDF for those on mobile device.

Thanks,

Good Morning,

Please see attached for information related to the large FMUA groups apprehending by Ajo Border Patrol Station agents.

Regards,

(Acting) Deputy Chief
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You guys are the very best; thank you!

Meghann K. Peterlin
Executive Director, Policy
Office of the Commissioner
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

On Sep 28, 2018, at 07:03,

USBP is preparing a product.

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Friday, September 28, 2018 6:58 AM
To: HUDSON, RICHARD M
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: RE: S1's office request - large group apprehensions

MCAT does not have any information on these large groups and defers to USBP.

[Redacted]
Commander
Migration Crisis Action Team
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

From: HUDSON, RICHARD M
Sent: Friday, September 28, 2018 5:10 AM
To: [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: RE: S1's office request - large group apprehensions

Please have the corridor provide additional information, to include and quad sheets we may have on the large groups referenced below.

VR

Rich
Hey MCAT & USBP!

Good morning and happy Friday (hooray!!).

We received the below from S1’s office. Hoped you all could please provide a bullet or two on each (?) of the recent large group apprehensions (were they all FMUA?)? Date, numbers, location, country of origin (if available)? Glad to discuss if you have any questions!

Thank you in advance and have a great day!
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On September 25, 2018, at approximately 1600 hours, a total of 163 OTMs surrendered to Border Patrol Agents in Lukeville, AZ. The initial group consisted of 111 subjects. While the subjects were being prepared for transport, Pima County Dispatch contacted the Ajo TOC Supervisor. The operator stated they had received a call from a subject identified as The operator informed the TOC Supervisor that stated there were 50 more subjects near Ajo Agents responded and came in contact with 52 subjects at the was present with the subjects on top of the hill along with five other unidentified subjects. and the other five subjects claimed to be part of the group “No More Deaths” and the other five individuals were seen earlier in the day at placing water at the base of the beacon. At no point did any of the individuals associated with No more Deaths, record or take pictures of the Agents. The subjects were transported to the Ajo Station for further processing.

The group consisted of the following:

Guatemalan (total of 145)

El Salvadorian (total of 18)

Sent from my iPhone

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by Anna Giaritelli
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Aguilas Del Desierto

Founded: July 29, 2012

The following information was collected from the named organization's website. Web: http://aguilasdeldesierto.org/
https://www.facebook.com/Aguilas-Del-Desierto-Inc-1623207924566830/about/

POC: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Email
Phone
Address: None Listed

Mission:
Aguilas Del Desierto is a non-profit organization in San Diego, California, made up of volunteers. They volunteer to help migrants who have become lost.

Purpose:
Their job is to help find and rescue people who are lost or left by guides in the desert or mountains while trying to cross the border of Mexico and U.S. in California and Arizona.

To help migrants who are trying to cross the U.S. border. In many cases they are fortunate to rescue them, but in the majority of cases they help relatives find their remains which allows them to provide a Christian burial.

Activities:
Search and Recovery are local to the California and Arizona areas.

Joint Endeavors:
Aguilas del Desierto works with the Missing Migrant Program (MMP) on a regular basis. MMP consults with Aguilas del Desierto in regards to their search efforts.

Areas of Concern:
None to address

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Web: Ajo Samaritans – Los Samaritanos – Legal humanitarian aid in the Sonoran Desert
Facebook/Twitter: none found

POC: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Email
Phone
Address: Salazar Ajo Library 15 North Plaza Street Ajo, AZ 85321

**Mission:**
Samaritans are a faith based group who respond to the crisis at the US/ Mexico border. They are a diverse group of volunteers around Ajo united in order to relieve suffering among people crossing the border illegally and honor human dignity. Prompted by mounting deaths among border crossers, Samaritans come together to provide food, water, and emergency medical assistance to people crossing the Sonoran Desert.

**Activities:**
Samaritan Patrols
Ajo Samaritans travel the desert, on a weekly basis, in their beliefs of continuing the ancient Southwest tradition of hospitality to travelers. They do drops in the Ajo region by using their personal vehicles to carry water, food, emergency medical supplies, communication equipment, maps, and individual traveler-packs containing items necessary to survive in the desert.

**Joint Endeavors:**
We were recently made aware of this group and have not had the opportunity to reach out to them.

**Areas of Concern:**
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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2018 2:00 PM  
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Subject: RE: Minutes for meeting AJO Samaritans

Good morning,

I'm in the office, I will call you after muster. 
I don't know how or why but hates them. LOL!

Did you receive the rest of the files/folders from (b) (7)(E) I thought he sent those to you? Let me know, if not, I will resend when I call you.

Talk to you soon!

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Sent: Tuesday, December 26, 2017 5:49 AM  
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Subject: RE: Minutes for meeting AJO Samaritans

Hey I just read this email. It has a lot of really good information. Can you call me when you get in today? I saw at the bottom (b) (7)(E) I would like to speak with them first if at all possible.

Thanks,

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Sent: Friday, December 22, 2017 6:47 AM  
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Subject: FW: Minutes for meeting AJO Samaritans

This was forwarded from to him.

Thanks & Merry Christmas!
Let me know if you have any questions.
From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2017 9:05 PM
To: MMP
Subject: Re: Man in distress north of Arivaca, called 911 at 5:20pm

911 was able to confirm for me that this individual was apprehended about 10 minutes ago. No need to respond to this email.

On Mon, Oct 23, 2017 at 5:44 PM, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) wrote:
Hi this is from the Search and Rescue team with No More Deaths,

I just got off the phone with a man named He is in medical distress and states 'I can't stand up, I'm afraid I will die soon.' He has been without water for most of the day.

He crossed through Sasabe several days ago, and passed Arivaca one day ago (the 22nd). He is 'directly in front of the mountains with antennas on them, but very far, like a day walking from them.' He said he had passed a paved road a day ago, and a dirt road and hour and a half ago, but hadn't seen anything distinct at all other than that.

I told him this info put him in a very large possible area, and that he should call 911 again. He is afraid there won't be a response to his call.

I'm sorry I didn't get a complete name or COB for him.

Can you all please confirm that this 911 call was received and that the case is being looked into?

Thank you,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
**FW: Amended PGB EOS 08/22/2017 MSC location clarification**

**Patrol Group B EOS 08/22/2017 (b) (7)(E)**

**Shift Numbers**

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TSM 00900

0720 Hours / Checkpoint Closure (b) (7)(E) Bee Infestation (b) (7)(E) Checkpoint Closure (b) (7)(E) Checkpoint resumed operations at 1200 hours.

(b) (7)(E)

TSM 00899

0656 Hours / (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) ATV’s responding / 4 GTA’s
TSM 00902
0436 Hours / 1 SB (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) responding / (b) (7)(E) 1

TSM 00915
1316 Hours / 1 give up (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) / (b) (7)(E) 1

Nothing to report

Cut log:

(b) (7)(E)

@1018 hours
@1025 hours
@1142 hours
@1000 hours
@0726 hours
@853 Hours
@1300 Hours

Air Support:

(b) (7)(E) flights canceled due to VIP visit

Hospital Watch:

None

OVAR:

OVAR: 7240

(b) (7)(E)
Breaches:

No Breaches reported

Notes:

- SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) completed the CAR.
- SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) verified that seizure lot and dope locker are secure.
- There were no Officers assigned for Stone Garden
- (b) (7)(E) was closed due to a swarm of bees in the primary lane
- (b) (7)(E) spotted a group of 4 on the (b) (7)(E) Agents responded with negative sign of entry.

Activations: 83

Total Activations
Acknowledged: 83

Total Activations Not Responded to: 0

SOD/WELLTON AGENTS DEPLOYED IN OUR AOR:

None

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

(b) (7)(E) checkpoint closure
“No More Deaths” NGO Encounter

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
Ajo Border Patrol Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
January 14, 2018

- One subject out of the group claimed to have been transported to Sonoyta along with 11 others and were told that the area was easier to cross because of Swings EOS 01-14-2018

January 15, 2018

- Based on de-briefs from the group, subjects are claiming to be crossing and walking routes previously utilized by drug smugglers. It is not believed that these subjects were involved in any drug smuggling operation rather, just regular IAs with some of them having immigration history and minimal criminal history. Days EOS 01-15-2018 –

January 16, 2018

- Subject stated that the immigrant house in Sonoyta is run by a subject identified as Several interviews conducted in the past along with this one suggest the immigrant house owned and ran by is used as a recruiting station for drug mules. Days EOS 01-16-2018 –

January 17, 2018

- Aliens are being harbored at a house in Ajo ran by No More Deaths NGO, Swings EOS 01/17/2018 –

January 18, 2018

- Nothing to report

January 19, 2018

- Subjects still utilizing the trails north of 4 apprehended and stated that they stayed at the because they could not afford a motel in Sonoyta prior to crossing. Days EOS 01/19/2018 –

January 20, 2018

- Nothing to report.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Mission:
Border Action Network (BAN) was formed in 1999 and is a human rights community organization based in immigrant and border communities throughout Arizona. They are unique since they not only build the capacity of on-the-ground organizing and leadership within heavily militarized, criminalized, and marginalized immigrant and border communities but also carry the local lessons from the border directly to policymakers at a state and national level. BAN’s ability, through organizing, research, communications and advocacy, enables them to expose the ineffectiveness, high cost, and inhumanity of border and immigration enforcement, and their dedication to policy change enables them to put concrete, winnable solutions on policy makers’ table.

Purpose:
Their purpose is to promote safety, equality, dignity, understanding and justice within the human environment and across cultures regardless of race, sexual orientation, religious beliefs or country of origin.

Activities:
None listed.

Joint Endeavors:
USBP and BAN have a good working relationship. BAN often reaches out to TCA BCL with any ongoing real time issues.

Areas of Concern:
None to address
Last Updates:
January 19, 2017

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FYI – here is a document that DOI (OPCNM, CPNWR & BLM) and their attorneys are pushing forward to AUSA. The goal is to get the

The author has given me permission to share this with you and our OCC if you deem necessary.

Patrol Agent in Charge
Border Patrol Station
(office)
(mobile)

Sir,

This is the latest draft of DOI’s letter to the AUSA.

Thank you,

Public Lands Liaison Agent
U.S. Border Patrol
Ajo, Arizona
Subject: Re: Draft Brief to AUSA

I've had several responses from various entities, I think I've included everyone, but if you notice someone is missing, please forward to them. Attached is the 2nd iteration, pending what kinds of comments are received, may be the last draft and we can move into the final draft. Please review, please use track changes - not doing so causes me extra work so I'd appreciate cooperation in that area.

Incidentally, we were going to try to keep to a page or two, we're currently at 4. If avoidable, please try not to add beyond the four pages.

Thanks for all the excellent comments, please feel free to call if you have a question.

On Fri, Jul 7, 2017 at 12:29 PM, wrote:

On Thu, Jul 6, 2017 at 4:59 PM, wrote:

I'm interested - I'll be the DOI POC.

Interagency Borderland Coordinator
Department of the Interior
Office of the Secretary

1849 C Street, NW Room
Washington D.C.
20240

Cell.

Sent from my iPhone

> On Jul 6, 2017, at 3:13 PM, wrote:

> Per our meeting yesterday, attached is a stab at capturing our discussions using the format provided by thanks

> Please take a look and provide any edits using track changes and save as with your initials and agency so I can keep edits straight - thus for me, I'd use Draft Brief Format As all are clearly aware, sooner than later is advisable, thus, if you could get me your comments by COB July 13th, I'll shoot for a final draft by the 14th or 17th.

> recommended a DOI POC, I'm willing, but will ask if he might consider since he is now representing us all for border issues at the DOI level in his new position and is keenly familiar with the situation... interested

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Chief, Natural and Cultural Resources Management
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10 Organ Pipe Drive
Ajo, AZ 85321
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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) OCC
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 7:00 PM
To: OCC CBP TUCSON
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From: QUINN, TIMOTHY
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 10:24 AM
To: QUINN, TIMOTHY
Subject: Re: From Clips

Kayaking this morning. Horses a little latter in the week. Went swimming in Lake Michigan. It’s like the ocean only salt free.

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 7, 2018, at 10:18 AM, wrote:

Doing better---Dr’s apt tomorrow so maybe different then---his specialist is a bit of a Dr. Eeyore but she’s really good so...

How’s the trip? What extreme event did you all engage in this tear?

From: QUINN, TIMOTHY
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 10:15 AM
To: QUINN, TIMOTHY
Subject: Re: From Clips

How is the hound?

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 7, 2018, at 10:06 AM, wrote:

I completely agree---was just trying to get ahead in case it had come up already between you and C1.

From: QUINN, TIMOTHY
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 10:05 AM
To: QUINN, TIMOTHY
Subject: Re: From Clips

I think we’re okay. We had someone from No More Deaths at the Tucson roundtable. Did someone ask about this clip? My thought is to leave it alone. Let me know if you think differently.

Sent from my iPhone
A group of about 60 faith leaders and border activists hiked deep into a wildlife refuge in southwestern Arizona on Sunday, dropping plastic containers of water in the desert to save the lives of migrants crossing the U.S.-Mexico border.

The activists trekked in over 100-degree heat through the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge and delivered a total of 125 gallons of water, according to No More Deaths, a Unitarian Universalist ministry that provides water and first aid to migrants. Thousands of people have died in Arizona’s deserts while illegally crossing the border, The Associated Press reports. No More Deaths says at least 128 bodies were recovered just last year, including 57 in the desert near Ajo, where clergy focused their action on Sunday.

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Since the mid-1990s, U.S. Border Patrol crackdowns have forced migrants to travel along more remote and dangerous routes to get to the United States. Ninety-five people from Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador were detained near Lukeville, Arizona, just a week before Sunday’s activism, the AP reported.

No More Deaths has been working for years to provide humanitarian aid and raise awareness about the perils migrants face, but activists say that federal agencies have recently started targeting them for their work along the border.

In January, hours after No More Deaths released a report about Border Patrol agents destroying water aid stations in the Arizona desert, a volunteer with the group was arrested and charged with harboring two people who were in the country illegally. The activist, Scott Warren, has been accused of giving migrants food and water inside a building in Ajo.

No More Deaths says nine of its volunteers currently face misdemeanor charges for offering support to migrants on restricted federal lands. The U.S. Bureau of Land Management claims the volunteers were littering, the Arizona Republic reported. Those cases are still pending in federal court.
ASH PONDERS Activists left 125 gallons of water for migrants traveling through the desert.

Clergy and lay leaders from the Unitarian Universalist Association led Sunday’s action, with representation from Presbyterian, United Church of Christ and Jewish denominations who flew in from across the country, said Michael Givens, a spokesperson for the Unitarian Universalist Association’s humanitarian arm.

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The Bureau of Land Management referred HuffPost to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for questions about Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge.

Beth Ullenberg, a spokesperson for the Fish and Wildlife Service’s southwest region, told HuffPost that the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge works with federal, state and local agencies to “humanely address illegal immigration.”

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Rosen said that as the grandson of immigrants and a Jewish rabbi whose people have been “hunted in certain times of our history,” he felt it was important to show his support for migrants who face the harsh climate of the desert in their search for a better life.
“I want people to know the consequences of their nation’s policies,” he said. “I want people to know that this is being done with their money and in their name as Americans.”
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Sent: Friday, April 7, 2017 3:46 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Please forward CPAs calendar invites

Completed as requested Sir.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2017 10:25 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Please forward CPAs calendar invites

Hi (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Could you forward me the CPA invites?

Chief Chavez wants us to attend both of these meeting with him.

April 10, 2017
Monday
10:00-12:00
MEETING: Quarterly NGO meeting
Location: Pueblo Community Center
South Tucson

April 12, 2017
Wednesday
1:00-2:00
MEETING: No More Deaths, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Location: Chiefs Conference Room
Discussion on NMD Protocol Document
From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, June 16, 2017 11:10 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: TCA-OPS
Subject: FW: TCA Daily Report for 6/15/2017
Attachments: Jun15.xlsx: Bomb Threat, (b) (7)(E) Media Interest

TCA DAR
Quick Statistics

(Thursday, June 15, 2017)

1) Arrests are down 54% for FY17 (68) vs. FY16 (148), and down 41% overall on the year.

2) Entries are down 40% for FY17 (173) vs. FY16 (289), and down 29% overall on the year.

3) Marijuana seizures are down 29% for FY17 (938) vs. FY16 (1,327), and down 43% overall on the year.

4) OTM arrests are down 54% for FY17 (24) vs. FY16 (52), and down 30% overall on the year.

5) (b) (7)(E)

6) Yuma Sector arrested 13 aliens.
7) El Paso Sector arrested 42 aliens.

8) Rio Grande Valley arrested 190 aliens.
   RGV’s arrests are down 11% overall compared to last fiscal year.
   RGV’s seized marijuana is down 28% overall compared to last fiscal year.

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**RGV Daily OTM Apprehensions**

**Report Date: 6/15/17**

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**Tucson Sector**

On June 15, 2017, at approximately 0915 hours (MST), the Joint Intelligence and Operations Center (JIOC), received information from the Law Enforcement desk at Davis Monthan Air Force Base (DMAFB) regarding a bomb threat at DMAFB in Tucson, Arizona. At 1145 hours (MST), the JIOC was advised that the Swan gate entrance to DMAFB has reopened.

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**Nogales Station**

On June 15, 2017 at approximately 1748 hours (MST), a search warrant was executed at the No Mas Muertes Camp and agents apprehended four illegal aliens. During the search of the area, volunteers at the No Mas Muertes Camp filmed the entire event with their cellphones and video cameras.

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**Rescue Beacons, 911 Calls**

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Three Points Station
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Sonoita
(7)(E) On June 14, 2017 at approximately 12:00 p.m., agents from the Sonoita Border Patrol Station reported that there was a brush fire burning near which are located south of Patagonia, Arizona. UPDATE; 120 fire fighters camped for the night. Road security was only required until 2000 hours and will be re-evaluated this morning.

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Douglas Station:
Nothing to Report

Brian A. Terry Station:
Nothing to Report

Willcox Station:
Media Interest/MVA Assist-Lifesaving - On June 14, 2017, at approximately 0337 hours (MST), Willcox Border Patrol Agents encountered a single vehicle rollover accident near of Tucson, Arizona. Agents assisted by placing a tourniquet on the driver’s severed arm to stop the profuse bleeding until Emergency Medical Services arrived on scene and took over. Department of Public Safety arrived on scene. Media interest is expected.

TFO
PORT OF DOUGLAS – 2601

22.7 KGS MARIJUANA SEIZURE (b) (7)(E)
- U.S. Citizen (Female, 25 YOA).
- Driver of a 2004 Buick Rendezvous bearing Arizona plate (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
- Driver referred to secondary inspection due to (b) (7)(E)
- K-9 alerted to a trained odor.
- Officers removed 48 packages from the engine compartment of the vehicle.
- AUSA deferred prosecution.

PORT OF LUKEVILLE – 2602

29.08 KGS MARIJUANA SEIZURE (b) (7)(E)
- U.S. Citizen (Female, 18 YOA).
- Driver of a 2003 Pontiac Bonneville bearing Arizona license plate (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
- Vehicle referred to secondary inspection due to (b) (7)(E)
- Officers removed three packages from a false wall located in the trunk area of the vehicle.
- AUSA accepted prosecution.

PORT OF NACO – 2603
- Nothing significant to report.

PORT OF NOGALES – 2604

1.64 KGS HEROIN SEIZURE (b) (7)(E)
- Mexican National (Female, 20 YOA).
- Driver of a 2001 Oldsmobile Aurora bearing Arizona plate (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
- Officers conducting (b) (7)(E) referred the driver to secondary inspection due to (b) (7)(E)
- K-9 alerted to a trained odor.
- A personal search revealed three packages concealed in the waist and pelvic area.
- AUSA accepted prosecution.

6.44 KGS HEROIN & 5.52 KGS COCAINE SEIZURE (b) (7)(E)
- Mexican National (Female, 21 YOA)
- Driver of a 2003 Ford Expedition bearing Mexico plate (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
- Officers conducting (b) (7)(E) selected the vehicle for a (b) (7)(E)
- (b) (7)(E) revealed anomalies.
- K-9 alerted to a trained odor.
- Officers removed six packages of heroin and four packages of cocaine concealed within the vehicle’s dashboard.
- AUSA accepted prosecution.

PORT OF PHOENIX – 2605
- Nothing significant to report.

PORT OF SASABE – 2606
- Nothing significant to report.

PORT OF SAN LUIS – 2608
- Nothing significant to report.

PORT OF TUCSON – 2609
Nothing significant to report.
Derechos Humanos

The following information was collected from the named organization’s website.
Web: http://derechoshumanosaz.net/
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/DerechosHumanosAZ/?fref=ts
Twitter: https://twitter.com/DerechosAZ

POC: None Listed
Email: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)
Phone: 
Address: 225 E 26th Street Tucson, AZ 85713

Mission:
Derechos Humanos is a grassroots organization that promotes human and civil rights of all migrants regardless of their immigration status. Consequently, they fight militarization of the southern border and combat discrimination and human rights abuses of both US citizen and non-citizens. In context of an increasingly militarized border and criminalization of immigration, Derechos Humanos works to empower those most directly impacted to create change and promote justice, challenging the borders that seek to divide. Their goals include strengthening the capacity of border & urban communities to exercise their rights and participate in public policy decisions, increasing public awareness of the magnitude of human rights abuses, deaths and assaults at the border resulting from U.S. policy and seek changes in government policies that result in human suffering because of the militarization of the U.S. border region

Activities:

Missing Migrant Hotline Project
The Missing Migrant Hotline Project is an effort to help families locate loved ones who go missing while crossing the border. To directly respond to the urgency of missing person calls they have a hotline where their staff and volunteers respond to three types of calls: Migrants lost in detention, Migrants lost in the desert, and those who died while crossing.

Remembering the Dead
Over the last 15 years, Derechos Humanos has tried to honor those who have died crossing the U.S. Mexico border with a weekly public vigil, a yearly pilgrimage, and an updated record of the numbers of recovered remains on their website.

The Info to Mexico Shelters Project
Pamphlets and posters intended to spread information about how people who encounter emergency situations crossing the border can attempt to self-rescue, initiate a rescue for themselves by a group or agency, or initiate a rescue for someone else left behind.
The information does not seek to influence anyone’s decision, Derechos Humanos recognizes they are the only ones who understand their situations enough to make their own choices, but only provide concrete and helpful information in case of emergencies.

Community Search and Rescue Collaboration
Working with existing community teams that respond to Search and Rescue scenarios, providing what Derechos Humanos believes to be a human right: an emergency response separated from enforcement agencies. Additionally, trying to support the creation of new teams in areas where they do not already exist.

The Search and Rescue Map Project
A collaboration with the SAR working group of No More Deaths, this project consists of a survey of the border region by satellite map and by ground which will contribute to a map of the borderlands which will help identify areas described by people in their emergent communications with their families.

The Red de Familiares Project
A network of families who have experienced specific tragedies that are interested in being in communication with families going through a similar situation.

The Abuse Documentation Project
A one year collaborative investigation with No More Deaths into the policies of the US Border Patrol that create the world in which this project needs to exist.

Herramientas Project
Creating and constantly updating Herramientas (tool-kits) for families to use both while searching for their loved one and afterward, if they want to use their experience to advocate for change.

Joint Endeavors:

(b) (5) USBP did gain support from Derechos Humanos as a result of an MMP briefing they received.

Areas of Concern:
None to address

Last Updated:
January 19, 2017

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Activity Information-

Monday, January 15, 2018 through Friday, January 19, 2018

Manpower breakdown:
DISRUPT personnel: (b) (7)(E)
Operational hours: Various

Activity:

DISRUPT agents (b) (7)(E) near the “Barn”, located at (b) (7)(E) Ajo, AZ. The Barn serves as the base of operations to non-government organizations affiliated with the No More Deaths humanitarian group. On Wednesday, January 17, 2018, DISRUPT agents observed two undocumented aliens, later identified as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), were seen speaking with another male, later identified as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). DISRUPT agents observed the male pointing in the direction of various mountains.

DISRUPT agents initiated a (b) (7)(E) with the assistance of WJC, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and PCSD, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) were located in an attached room being utilized as a bathroom, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was arrested for 8 USC 1324, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) invoked his rights and did not provide a sworn statement. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) were interviewed and they both provided a sworn statement. AUSA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was contacted and she coordinated all necessary paperwork to seek prosecution.
Trip ideas
Thu, Fri, Sat.

- RLR Grizzly Valley
- SAR & La Huella
- Bates Well Area
- Umbriquet/Pool Party
- Sweetwater Pass
- Pinyon Gym
- Pipeline: Lamo Days
- La Tercia completion

To-dos

- Barn is so clean!!!
DISRUPT UNIT
TCA/AJO
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Good Morning
Sorry I was basically out of the office until today…

I think we discussed:

1. 
2. 
3. 

I will have to think on things and get back to you… I can’t recall….

Also, I will be in MI from Jan 11-16th 😊 I will let you know when I see what day works for him.

I took notes on the questions we had after yesterday’s phone conversation. I have since put those notes in a safe place (meaning I can’t find them.) Do you remember the questions you and I talked about discussing with?

Thanks,
Manpower Breakdown:

Personnel:

Operational Hours:

Deployment:

  • Scouting

Technology/Assets Deployed:

  • None

Traffic Spotted:

  • N/A

Events:

None

Notes:

  • Scouted one location south west of We cut two small groups and located three No More Deaths food/water supply drops. Photographs and grid coordinates of the locations are attached and will be forwarded to Ajo BPA and BPA.

Traffic Trends Patterns Identified:

  • Small groups bypassing the and continuing north around the high point called No More Deaths continues to drop off re-supply stashes consisting of water, food, socks and blankets.
PG C Command Staff EOS Report
Date: January 29, 2018

Manpower

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Intelligence Muster Brief:
- No More Deaths may be involved in smuggling.
- Request for information if encountered.
- Recent trend of vehicles registered to involved in smuggling.

Important Shift Muster Topics:
- AZ Border Recon, appx until 02/03
- Agent relayed that NMD has been observed passing through
- Review of meth load information disseminated recently by

Traffic Patterns/New Activity:

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- Nothing to report
- Groups outstanding for 69 bodies.
- Group outstanding for 2 bodies

**Deployments/Activity:**
- MPAs assigned to
- BPAs assigned to
- Agents assisted with

**Significant Concerns/Problems Encountered:**
- Nothing to report

**Response/Mitigation:**
- Nothing to report

**Alien/Narcotics Smuggling or Other Cases:**
- Nothing to report

**Citizen Complaints:**
- Nothing to report

**Employee issues:**
- Nothing to report

**Admin/Support Requests:**
- Additional agent concerns about JPI presence in men’s locker room prior to muster. Cleaning time scheduling conflict continues. Additionally, JPI presence may be unknown to agents entering via west side door, adjacent to TCC building. All three entry points to locker room should be marked simultaneously during cleaning to mitigate conflict.

**Other/comments:**
- Nothing to report
Thank you!

Ma'am,

A work order has been submitted but it has not been repaired as of yet.

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
Fleet Manager and Asset Forfeiture
Tucson Station

Did we get the vacuums remedied?

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Forgot to add SIR/IIR info:

SIR/IIRs:
- Technology Disruption, updates required.
- Limited Distro, Agent injury. Attempt to contact agent for update unsuccessful. Update required.

Thanks,

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
Tucson Sector/Tucson Station/PG A
Office

PG A Command Staff EOS Report
Date: 06/22/2017

Intelligence Muster Brief:
- Intel not present at muster.
Important Shift Muster Topics:
- DISCUSSED: 1) Do not remove slings off gov weapons. 2) Temp Sup needed, no interest 3) Heat advisory/hydrate. 4) No More Deaths Camp members crossing IBF without inspection on 6/21, OFO possibly pursuing charges/fees. NMD POV at Ariv Chkpt / was picked up yesterday without incident. 5) Rocking incident/Officer Safety 6) Deming agent assault-no new updates. 7) Seacats changes coming 6/26 8) Fentanyl safe handling/procedures 9) TCC reminders for proper completion of paperwork / distributed new TCA Processing forms 10) Pima County Staff working 11) BORSTAR contact procedures.

SIR/IIRs:
- Nothing to report.

Traffic Patterns/ New Activity:
- Outstanding traffic - see TOC EOS for details.
- No new activity observed / reported.

Deployments/Activity:
- Additional agents assigned to

Significant Concerns/Problems Encountered:
- Nothing to report.

Current Deployments:
- Deployed early and late agents to

Response/Mitigation:
- Deployed early and late agents to
- Additional agents assigned to

Alien/Narcotics Smuggling or Other Cases:
- Nothing to report.

Citizen Complaints:
- Nothing to report.

Employee issues:
- Nothing to report.

Admin/Support Requests:
- Facilities: Ariv Chkpt AC work order. Pending funds
- Pasture Tank Access Roads: Need repair.
- Wash Rack Vacuums 10-7.

Other/comments:
- Inventory 100%

Thanks,

Acting Watch Commander
Tucson Sector
Office
Cell
Manpower

WC: (b) (7)(E)
(A)WC: (b) (7)(E)
SBPAs: (b) (7)(C)
(A)SBPA: (b) (7)(C)
BPAs: (b) (7)(E)
BPA-I's:

Intelligence Muster Brief: One Agent
• Discussed several (b) (7)(E)

Important Shift Muster Topics:
• Brian Terry Case update discussed
• Veterans on Patrol observed operating near (b) (7)(E)
• (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) will be searching for missing migrant in GV 8/4 and 8/5
• VLTP program update of the Tucson Agents in need
• Part of No More Deaths group “Faith Floods The Desert” in AJO AOR 8/3-8/5, may come this way
• Microsoft Outlook upgrades/issues discussed.

SIR/IIRs:
• Nothing to report

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Effectiveness % = (Apprehensions + TBS) / Outstanding

***End of Shift pending groups: 13 (b) (7)(E) groups with approximately 43 outstanding subjects.

Deployments/Activity:
• (b) (7)(E) No citizen calls or OA calls.
Significant Concerns/Problems Encountered:
  • Nothing to report

Response/Mitigation:
  • Airport Ops canceled and agents redirected to field for outstanding groups.

Alien/Narcotics Smuggling or Other Cases:
  • 1324 case had a bailout off 1 Vehicle seizure, 1 LAPR Driver, 4 IA passengers.

Citizen Complaints:
  • Nothing to report

Employee issues:
  • Nothing to report

Admin/Support Requests:
  • Picked up USC blood work results from all negative.

Issue Room Inventory:
  • 100% complete (note: plate carriers #6 and #7 are still missing)

Check Point Shift Review:
  • (b) (6), (b) (7)(E), (b) (7)(C)
  • (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
  • (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Other/comments:
  • Nothing to report

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Acting Watch Commander
Tucson Sector/Tucson Station/PG B
Office
Cell
From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 3:11 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: anything else is in (b) (7)(E) is evidence related and ajo events
Attachments: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 11:02 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: anything else is in (b) (7)(E) is evidence related and ajo events

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Border Patrol Agent (b) (7)(E)
Tucson Sector (b) (7)(E) - Ajo Station
Office (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
FYSA,

BPA
Public Information Officer
Tucson Sector Border Patrol
Office:
E-Mail: tca-pao@cbp.dhs.gov
Follow us on Twitter @CBPArizona
Report Feedback Form

What report are you providing feedback on?

From what position are you reviewing this report?

Field Agent

How would you rate the quality and presentation of this report?

- Excellent
- Good
- Satisfactory
- Poor

Did this report assist you in gaining operational knowledge of the designated area?

- Greatly
- Somewhat
- A little
- Not at all

How would you rate Operation Waypoint's overall performance over the past year?

- Excellent
- Good
- Satisfactory
- Poor

What additional comments do you have that could be used to improve these reports?

Submit Form
First United Methodist Church

The following information was collected from the named organization's website.
Web: First United Methodist Church Tucson
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/First-United-Methodist-Church-Tucson-117698641589268/about/
Twitter: None found

POC: Associate Pastor
Senior Pastor, Rev.
Email:
Phone
Address: 915 4th Street Tucson, Arizona

Mission:
First United Methodist Church is one of the oldest protestant congregations in Tucson and believes in a denomination involved with people's lives, political and social struggles, having local to international mission implications. They believe that neither church nor state should attempt to dominate the other.

Activities:
TIHAN Tucson Interfaith HIV AIDS Network
Iskashitaa Refugee Harvesting Network
Interfaith Community Services
Women in Mission
Casa Maria

Joint Endeavors:
USBP reached out to First United Methodist Church Tucson and gave two BP 101/Station Tours to the upper management of the organization.

Areas of Concern:
None to address

Last Updated:
January 19, 2017

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Frontera De Cristo

The following information was collected from the named organization’s website.
Web: [http://fronteradecristo.org](http://fronteradecristo.org)
Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/fronteradecristo/?fref=ts](https://www.facebook.com/fronteradecristo/?fref=ts)
Twitter: [https://twitter.com/FronteraCristo](https://twitter.com/FronteraCristo)

POC: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Email: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Phone: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Address: Douglas, AZ 85607

**Mission:**
Frontera de Cristo is a Presbyterian border ministry located in the sister cities of Agua Prieta, Sonora and Douglas, Arizona. They work in six primary areas of ministry. Their ministry focuses on building relationships and understanding across borders. This ministry facilitates the crossing of borders of over 400 persons a year to enter into relationship with their sisters and brothers from Mexico. The ministry helps churches, presbyteries, seminaries, and individuals reflect and act biblically and theologically on what it means to be disciples of Jesus Christ when borders divide. Frontera also works to provide immersion experiences to universities, leadership groups, and schools. These immersion experiences help individuals to develop a greater understanding of border realities, the phenomena of migration and our connection to one another across borders.

**Activities:**

New Hope Community Center
New Hope Community Center is an innovative ministry which is a collaboration between Frontera de Cristo and the Nuevo Progreso Community. The purpose of the community center is to improve the quality of life in this outlying community of Agua Prieta by providing educational, cultural, and development activities for the community.

Mission Education
Mission Education Ministry focuses on building relationships and understanding across borders. This ministry facilitates the crossing of borders of over 400 persons a year to enter into relationship with their sisters and brothers from Mexico.

Migrant Resource Center
Migrant Resource Center is a partnership of many different people and organizations working together towards the common goal of helping migrants. Migrants, especially those who have
been recently deported, have many basic humanitarian needs – a fresh pair of socks, a burrito, and some basic medical attention for dehydration and blisters.

**Joint Endeavors:**
USBP Station has a good working relation with Fronteras de Cristo as they regularly operate in AOR.

**Areas of Concern:**
None to address

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NAME of CONTACT:
Good Morning!

I am wondering if you could type up a G-166 about how you passed the information about The Barn to:

Dates, specifics, etc. how you came to know about it.. ETC. ETC. 

Don’t fret, I also get to type one up...

Thanks,

Border Patrol Agent - Ajo Station
Tucson Sector - Ajo Station
Office:

2672
Hey,

Sorry it took me a while to get this to you. Following is a rough draft of the G-166.

Ajo Samaritan / No More Deaths Encounter.
Let me know if there is anything I need to change or if there is any information I need to include.

Thanks,
Hey,
I’m sorry, I will attach a generic G-166 form. You can use this anytime you need one without an attachment. Let me know if you need anything else. Thanks sooooo much! 😊

Hey was just curious if you meant a G-166 or a memo? Not sure how to do a G-166 for an event that was not entered. Not a problem to do one, but was just curious how that would work.

Thanks,

Hey guys,
Can you and the cut a general G-166 about the no more deaths water guys? Just how you cut their sign to the truck but weren’t able to make contact.

Thanks!
Just attach the pictures with the grids thanks!

Border Patrol Agent
Tucson Sector
Office

G-166c
G-166C Template for Ajo Sam NMD encounters.doc
Humane Borders

The following information was collected from the named organization’s website.
Web: http://www.humaneborders.org/
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/HumaneBordersAZ/
Twitter: None found
POC: Executive Director [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)
Chair: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)
Vice Chair: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)
Email: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)
Phone: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)
Address: 243 W 33rd Street Tucson, AZ

Mission:
Humane Borders’ mission is to save desperate people from a horrible death by dehydration and exposure and to create a just and humane environment in the borderlands. Humane borders maintains a system of water stations in the Sonoran Desert on routes used by migrants making the perilous journey on foot. They place their water stations on government and privately owned land with permission from the landowners. Founded in the summer of 2000, Humane Borders, Inc. is a non-profit corporation ran almost exclusively by volunteers. They depend upon gifts from individuals and religious groups of all faiths to continue their work.

Activities:
Weekly Meetings
Every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. (except for weeks with major holidays), Humane Borders, including staff members, volunteers, and board chair, meets at their headquarters located at 243 West 33rd Street in South Tucson. They discuss work done the previous week. They identify their modest victories, and analyze problems they’ve encountered. They discuss upcoming events of interest, and hear reports of missing migrants being searched for by their families. They examine the state of their relationships and contacts with government officials, including federal land managers and Border Patrol.

Water Runs
Water Runs are regularly scheduled trips, leaving from Tucson, Phoenix, and Ajo to Humane Borders’ water stations in the Sonoran Desert. They check their water barrels and fill them
when necessary. They maintain and replace, when needed, blue flags which alert migrants of the stations. They test water for particulates, as required by their permits, check it to ensure that it isn’t polluted by algae, and taste it to make sure it’s readily potable.

Visiting Groups
Humane Borders welcome visiting religious, school and civic groups by prior arrangement with the Executive Director or Board Chair. They educate members of such groups on current border issues, and provide them with an experience of the challenges posed by the Sonoran Desert.

Joint Endeavors:
None have been scheduled on conducted in recent months.

Areas of Concern:
None to address

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NAME of CONTACT:
Thank you, ma'am.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

Assistant Chief ♦ U.S. Border Patrol ♦ Operations Directorate ♦ Ops East Central Division

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 8:14 AM
To: STAFF TASKING
Cc: OPS EAST SECTOR
Subject: RE: Humanitarian Camps RFI

Negative for: [Redacted]

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 5:13 PM
To: STAFF TASKING
Cc: OPS EAST SECTOR <OPS_EAST_SECTOR@cbp.dhs.gov>
Subject: FW: Humanitarian Camps RFI

Good afternoon,

Please let us know if you have camps like the "No Mas Muertes" camps operating in your AO.

If so, please provide the following information:

- explain the general lay down of aid groups and what they do;
- how we tolerate/work with them;
- what our enforcement posture is with places like NMD where I understand there is a private property issue;
- and emphasize that border security is paramount and we will operate in border areas with that principle first.
S1/C1 are looking for larger context of the issues

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Assistant Chief ♦ U.S. Border Patrol ♦ Operations Directorate ♦ Ops East Division
Office:

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 3:58:16 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: OPS WEST SECTORS; OPS EAST SECTOR
Subject: Humanitarian Camps RFI

Chiefs,

Please advise if there are any humanitarian camps similar to the No Mas Muertes Camp^{10}(7)(E)AOR) operating within your AOR. If so, please provide some background information on the organizations.

Attached, is a power point presentation from^{23} with some background information on these types of groups.

V/R

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Assistant Chief

Law Enforcement Operation Directorate
Ops West Sectors
U.S. Border Patrol Headquarters

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Law Enforcement Operation Directorate
Ops West Sectors
U.S. Border Patrol Headquarters
Tucson Sector Border Patrol
Executive Learning Program
Humanitarian/Faith Based Organizations

One Day Program:

9:00  Opening Remarks (Chief)
      Welcome to participants
      Overview of the program

9:15  History & Sector Overview (Communication Division)
      History of the Border Patrol
      Overview of Tucson Sector
      Sector Strategy- AZ Surge

10:00 ACTT (Operations ACPA)

11:00 Agent Authority (CBP Legal Counsel)
      Statutory and Case Law authority
      Stop and talk
      Warrant vs. warrant less searches
      Vehicle stops

12:00 Checkpoint Operations (CBP Legal Counsel & BP Ops)
      Authority to operate checkpoints
      Effectiveness- statistics of persons and drugs seized

12:30 Lunch (on own)

2:00  Tactical Awareness and Use of Force (Training)
      Use of force spectrum
      Policy for use of force, non lethal, lethal

2:30  Field encounters with civilians (Policy Branch)
      Border Patrol and Sector policy on interaction with civilians
      Humanitarian, religious, anti-immigration, environmental, hunting groups, etc

3:00  Specialty Units (ACPA)
      BORSTAR
      PLLA

3:30  Complaint Process (ACPA)
      How to file a complaint
      Expectations about feedback/disposition

4:00  Arrest to Disposition (TCC)
      Process from arrest to processing to repatriation
      Consequence programs
      Tour of Tucson Coordination Center

4:45  Closing Comments
Two Day Program: Could be either mornings or afternoons

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Muster Gram 1: Samaritan Patrol

Today’s Muster gram is first in a three part series on humanitarian groups operating in the Tucson Sector’s area of responsibility.

As Border Patrol agents, you are likely to cross paths with volunteers belonging to one of three main humanitarian groups: Humane Borders, Samaritan Patrol and No More Deaths.

While each organization has their separate operations, they have the same mission of providing aid to aliens they encounter in the field environment. These organizations deploy in known high traffic areas or locations where people have been rescued or found deceased. In order to operate, these organizations either have permission from private landowners or the appropriate permits from various public land managers such as the Department of Interior or the Forest Service. These organizations maintain the legal right to do what they do as long as they DO NOT break any laws while rendering aid. Like any other civilian, the laws apply to the humanitarian organizations’ volunteers as they do for anyone on U.S. soil.

The purpose of this video is to educate you on these organizations in case you find yourself encountering them in the field while on patrol.

It is important for you to know that we do not modify operations based on their presence or provide preferential treatment to any special interest group. However, we do encourage all citizens to call in “citizen reports” of any suspicious activity or report individuals in distress.

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Samaritan Patrol is comprised of several religious and faith-based organizations that have merged and collaborated with medical professionals to canvas the remote border region in search of people in distress who, without help, would otherwise perish. Many are practicing physicians and medical professionals committed to their mission.

You may encounter members from one of two Samaritan Patrol branches in the Tucson Station’s area of responsibility; many are seen specifically in the Green Valley area.

Here is a member of **Samaritan Patrol** to tell you about their organization and what you should know about them.
Muster Gram 2: No More Deaths

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No More Deaths is comprised of members of several faith-based groups and other volunteers. They operate “Arks of the Covenant,” which are camps that serve as a base from which volunteers fan out in search of aliens in distress. The aliens are then treated and fed on site, or escorted to their camp for relief. Volunteers will not seek law enforcement assistance unless specifically requested by the alien in need.

The group has been leaving water jugs along trails and has a permit from the Department of Interior (DOI) to continue this practice, with littering restrictions.

Here is a member of No More Deaths to tell you more about them.
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Humane Borders does not transport illegal aliens. They will call BORSTAR and Border Patrol for assistance.

Here is a member of Humane Borders to tell you what they think is important for agents to know about them.
**SUBJECT:** Action Items

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**Action**
- Approval
- As Requested
- Circulate
- Comment
- Coordination

**File**
- For Clearance
- For Distribution
- For Information
- Investigate
- Justify

**Note and Return**
- Per Conversation
- Prepare Reply
- See Me
- Signature

**Remarks:**

**Point of Contact:**
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**Room -- Bldg.**
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
**BORDER PATROL**
**REPORT OF APPREHENSION OR SEIZURE**

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Patrol Agents of the SANTA TERESA station

Assisted the (Agency) in the apprehension and seizure of the following:

- [x] apprehended/interviewed:

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Address of person apprehended/interviewed:

COLUMBUS, GA 31903

- and seized/recovered VESSEL, VEHICLE OR AIRCRAFT

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- CONTRABAND, MERCHANDISE OR OTHER

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Place of Apprehension or Seizure

Date and Hour

02/19/2012 1200

Offense

19 USC 1459 FAILURE TO REPORT—PROSECUTION DECLINED

NARRATIVE: (Include Circumstances of apprehension and seizure and facts to which apprehending officers can testify.)

INCIDENT COORDINATES:

Latitude: (b) (7)(E)
Longitude: (b) (7)(E)

...(CONTINUED ON I-831)

Received above persons and items:

CBP - BORDER PATROL (CBPBP) CHIEF PATROL AGENT

Signature and Title

CBP - BORDER PATROL (CBPBP)

Office or Agency

02/19/2012

Date
INSTRUCTIONS

1. To be prepared when a citizen or non-deportable alien is processed for violation of the Immigration and Nationality Act, or the person arrested or article seized is delivered to an agency or person outside the Department of Homeland Security, or when such an arrest or seizure is made in a joint operation with another agency.

2. The form is addressed to the office receiving the person or article seized. In a joint operation, the form is addressed to the Chief Patrol Agent and no receipt is required.

3. Any number of persons, conveyances, or other articles may be listed on the same form provided they are a part of the same transaction.

4. Estimated values should be based on Customs appraisal when readily available or on current market values. Value of automobiles may be obtained from National Automobile Dealers’ Association Handbook (Blue Book) or similar sources. Value of narcotics shall be based on the appraised value by the receiving agency. The state of refinement and location will be considered in establishing the value of seized narcotics.

5. The narrative shall briefly outline all the circumstances surrounding the apprehension or seizure and indicate the agency furnishing the original information. In a joint operation, disposition of the persons arrested or articles seized shall be shown.

6. When the person arrested is a deportable alien, or will become deportable upon conviction, an appropriate “Hold” order shall be placed and details inserted in the black box on the face of the form. In addition to this form, an I-213 shall be prepared for each alien found to be deportable at time of apprehension and that fact so noted in the narrative on the file copy only.

7. The copy retained at the Sector Headquarters of apprehension shall reflect distribution made.

8. Where words “apprehended/interviewed” and “seized/recovered” are used, delete inappropriate words.

NARRATIVE (Continued)
SUBJECTS:

Name - [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)

[WASHINGTON D.C., DC 20011]

Date of Birth - [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)

Place of Birth - MINNAPOLIS, MINNESOTA UNITED STATES

Nationality - UNITED STATES

Narrative Title: Report of Apprehension or Seizure

On February 19, 2012, a peaceful gathering was held by a group identifying itself as Occupy El Paso. The gathering was held near the [b] (7)(E) NM. A group of approximately 80 individuals began to gather at 0900 hrs Mountain Standard Time and the gathering began at 1000 hrs. During the peaceful gathering, two of the participants walked across the U.S./Mexico international boundary at the end of the pedestrian fence in [b] (7)(E) NM and entered into Mexico illegally. Both subjects held a prayer in Mexico with Mexican citizens and then illegally crossed the U.S./Mexico international boundary back into the United States. Border Patrol Agents monitored the situation and [b] (7)(E) apprehended the individuals at 1148 hrs at the conclusion of the gathering for safety purposes. One of the individuals [b] (6), [b] (7)(C) identified himself as a catholic priest. Both subjects were taken into custody and transported to the Santa Teresa Border Patrol Station for processing.

At the station [b] (6), [b] (7)(C) were enrolled into the system and records checks were obtained from sector radio. Criminal checks on both individuals revealed numerous arrests for trespassing, illegal protests, and other civil disobedience.

AUSA [b] (6), [b] (7)(C) was contacted by FOS [b] (6), [b] (7)(C) and SBPA [b] (6), [b] (7)(C) at 1245 hrs. AUSA [b] (6), [b] (7)(C) was given the details of the case and declined to prosecute for 19 USC 1459 (Failure to Report Entry). Both subjects were subsequently released at the Santa Teresa Border Patrol Station.

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#### Country ofCitizenship

| MEXICO |

#### Passport Number and Country of Issue

| (b) (7) (E) |

#### Date, Place, and Manner of Last Entry

11/01/2006, 0400, 0.1 mile(s) IQ>ldDM PliA

#### Number, Street, City, Province (State) and Country of Permanent Residence

| MEXICO |

#### Date of Birth

| (WUIIWJPIW ) |

#### Age

32

#### City, Province (State) and Country of Birth

| MEXICO, DISTRITO FEDERAL, MEXICO |

#### Date Visa Issued

| POSITIVE |

#### Immigration Record

POSITIVE - See Narrative

#### Criminal Record

NONE - Known

#### Number and Nationality of Minor Children

See Narrative

#### Father's Name, Nationality, and Address, if Known

See Narrative

#### Mother's Present and Maiden Names, Nationality, and Address, if Known

See Narrative

#### Means Does/Property in US Not in Immediate Possession

None Claimed

#### Name and Address of (Last/Current) US Employer

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#### Method of Location/Apprehension

| (b) (6), (b) (7) (C) |

#### Status at Entry

PWA

#### PWA, Mexico

#### Status When Found

TRAVEL/SEEKING

#### Length of Time Illegally in US

OVER 1 YEAR

#### Date Visa Issued

| POSITIVE |

#### Fingerprinted

| Yes |

#### Systems Checks

See Narrative

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**CREDIBLE FEAR CLAIM**

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**CONSEQUENCE DELIVERY SYSTEM:**

**Classification:** FIRA

**Distribution:**

A File

**SECTOR PROSECUTION OFFICE**

**Station Copy**

**Notice to Appear Released** (I-862)

**Form 1-213 (Rev 08/01/07) Y**
MINOR CHILDREN:
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CLAIMS THREE U.S.C. CHILDREN

FATHER NAME AND ADDRESS:
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Nationality:MEXICO (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
MEXICO CITY, DISTrito FEDERAL, MEXICO

MOTHER NAME AND ADDRESS:
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Nationality:MEXICO (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
MEXICO CITY, DISTrito FEDERAL, MEXICO

ASSISTING ASSETS:
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None

FUNDS IN POSSESSION:
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United States Dollar 60.00

RECORDS CHECKED:
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(b)(7)(E)

NARRATIVE:
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ENTRY DATA: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
claims she illegally entered the United States on or about
November 1, 2006, at 0400 hours in (b)(7)(E) Texas. The location at which (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
entered the United States was not an official port of entry therefore; (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) was
not legally inspected, admitted or paroled into the United States.

ARREST DATA: Arrest data was authored and provided by Special Operations Supervisor (SOS)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) of the El Paso Sector Public Affairs Office.

Signature
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Title
Border Patrol Agent

2 of 4 Pages
This morning around 0745 hours, who is the arrived at the El Paso Sector Mattox Entry Gate to turn herself in for immigration status violations. I sent two female agents to the gate and the aforementioned agents took custody and secured.

I further contacted El Paso Border Patrol Station and spoke with Acting Patrol Agent in Charge (APAIC) who asked for her to be transported to for processing.

attempted to provide me with documentation for her case, I advised her to provide all necessary information to the processing agents at

I also received a call from asking if we had taken custody of

On January 23, 2017, was transported to the Processing Center by BPA who is detailed to El Paso Sector Public Affairs Office. BPA questioned as to her citizenship and right to be in the United States legally. stated she was issued an Employment Authorization Card that had expired in June 2016. claims to have received a letter stating that she did not qualify for any type of immigration status and was supposed to remove herself to Mexico. stated that she is a citizen of Mexico and knew that she was supposed to go back to Mexico. was placed under arrest at 0840 hours at

was read her rights via Form I-214 which she acknowledged that she understood her rights by signing the form. requested an attorney and a sworn statement was not documented.

At was enrolled into the systems using her biographical and biometric information. returned negative criminal and positive immigration histories. Records checks were run through El Paso Sector communications which confirmed the histories.

IMMIGRATION HISTORY:
10/21/2006 Fabens, Texas VR DISP: VR'd to Mexico

Employed by using SSN Subjects address linked to with who has ties to

CRIMINAL HISTORY: None.
WANTS & WARRANTS: None.

Signature

Title Border Patrol Agent

3 of 4 Pages
DISPOSITION:
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was processed as an NTA/OR (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Camp space denied by DFOD (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
NTA/OR approved by Division Chief (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was found to be not amendable for prosecution.
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was served Forms I-862, I-286, I-220A and I-830 and given copies of the forms.
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was advised of her communication privileges with a representative of the Consulate of Mexico.
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) claims fear of persecution or harm, should she be returned to her native country of Mexico.
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) does not has property with the United States Border Patrol.
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was electronically booked into (b) (7)(E)
At approximately 2210 hours, Border Patrol Agent (BPA) [b] (6), [b] (7)(C) made contact with a motorist near [b] (7)(E). The motorist stated that she had four friends who broke down on [b] (7)(E) and requested assistance in locating them. BPA [b] (6), [b] (7)(C) contacted [b] (7)(E) agents to assist in the search. The motorist drove to [b] (7)(E) to wait for her friends.

At approximately 2310 hours, BPA [b] (6), [b] (7)(C) and BPA [b] (6), [b] (7)(C) made contact with the inoperative vehicle on [b] (7)(E) approximately eight miles south of the [b] (7)(E) At which time they found out the four individuals were associated with No More Deaths. They stated two of the four individuals claimed to have permits to be on the [b] (7)(E)

At 2320 hours, Supervisory Border Patrol Agent (SBPA) [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)) attempted to contact the National Park Service. Attempts were made via radio and telephone but were unsuccessful.

At approximately 2330 hours, BPA [b] (6), [b] (7)(C) and BPA [b] (6), [b] (7)(C) gave a courtesy ride to the four individuals from their location to the [b] (7)(E) area. The individuals stated they will be contacting a tow tomorrow.

All information on the vehicle and location of the vehicle will be sent to the National Park Service.

The Joint Intelligence Operations Center was contacted and stated this event did not meet the requirement for a Significant Incident Report.

Biographical information:

NAME: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
DOB: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
COC: US
Driver

NAME: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
DOB: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
COC: US

NAME: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
DOB: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
COC: US

NAME: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
DOB: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
COC: US
Vehicle Information:

YEAR: Unknown
MAKE: Ford
MODEL: F-150
COLOR: Maroon
PLATE: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)

Grid Coordinates: (b) (7)(E)

No further updates are expected.

Watch Commander [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) reviewed and approved this narrative.
From: AJO IIR GML
Sent: Monday, September 4, 2017 12:36 AM
To: AJO IIR GML
Subject: Non-Government Organization Contact
Attachments: Non-Government Organization Contact.docx

At approximately 1130 hours, Supervisory Border Patrol Agent and Border Patrol Agent encountered a Non-Government Organization.

At approximately 0900 hours, located near the rescue beacon located at the intersection of located on the BPA did not encounter any individuals. He did see a Yellow Nissan Pathfinder, a White X-terra and a White Nissan Frontier. These three vehicles were encountered the day before by other agents (ref. Those individuals were identified as belonging to the group No More Deaths Non-Government Organization (NGO). The was contacted and they stated that no one from the No More Deaths NGO obtained permits to be on the park.

BPA then proceeded to locate several locations where water and supplies were left, presumably by the No More Deaths NGO. SBPA also discovered a located near water supply located the

At approximately 1330 hours, located the two vehicles located off the south of He observed foot sign travelling north into the area.

As of 2125 hours, agents have not encountered the No More Deaths NGO personnel.

Further updates will be disseminated if and when they become available.

This narrative was approved by Acting Watch Commander.
Thank you for your help!

Attached is a word document with an interview conducted on the individual in the interview is on IMS and was not conducted as part of a prosecution. Attached is also an interview as well as various other individuals a part of No More Deaths. I believe the AUSA has this already. As far as also there is, is the narrative attached.

Prosecutions and
U.S. Border Patrol / Ajo Station
Kino Border Initiative

The following information was collected from the named organization’s website.
Web: https://www.kinoborderinitiative.org/
Twitter: https://twitter.com/KinoBorder

POC: Executive Director, Director of Education and Advocacy
Email: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)
Phone: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)
Address: Nogales, AZ 85628-0159

Mission:
The Kino Border Initiative (KBI) is a binational organization that works in the area of migration and is located in Nogales, Arizona and Nogales, Sonora, Mexico. The KBI was inaugurated in January of 2009 by six organizations from United States and Mexico: The California Province of Society of Jesus, Jesuit Refugee Service/USA, Missionary Sisters of the Eucharist, Mexican Province of the Society of Jesus, Diocese of Tucson and Archdiocese of Hermosillo. The KBI’s vision is to help make humane, just, workable migration between the U.S. and Mexico a reality. Its mission is to promote US/Mexico border and immigration policies that affirm dignity of the human person and a spirit of bi-national solidarity through:

- Direct humanitarian assistance and accompaniment with migrants
- Social and pastoral education with communities on both sides of the border
- Participation in collaborative networks that engage in research and advocacy to transform local, regional, and national immigration policies.

Activities:

Aid Center for Deported Migrants (CAMDEP – Initials in Spanish)
CAMDEP provides two meals a day to migrant men, women and children deported to Nogales, Sonora, Mexico. The CAMDEP also distributes clothing and personal care items, and refers people to Mexican government services. The KBI is blessed by collaboration of organizations such as Samaritans of Green Valley, No More Deaths, FESAC and parishes and individuals from Phoenix, Tucson as well as Nogales, Arizona and Nogales, Sonora.

Nazareth House
Nazareth House is a shelter for migrant women and children, to respond to their vulnerability in the streets of Nogales, Sonora. It is a safe space where women and children can bathe, eat, sleep, call their families and reflect on their experience. They receive opportunities for prayer and pastoral support as well.

**First Aid Station**
Many deported migrants arrive in Nogales, Sonora with severely blistered feet, flu symptoms and dehydration. KBI offers some first aid assistance at the KBI Comedor.

**Joint Endeavors:**
Have collaborated on several school engagements to educate local and visiting students on the mission and humanitarian efforts of the Tucson Sector Border Patrol. Have conducted Border Patrol 101 (BP101) whenever requested by this organization.

Internal communications branch and BCL have designed and printed flyers highlighting the dangers of crossing the desert illegally and the Rescue Beacon KBI was given flyers and master copies to reproduce the flyers to reach vulnerable demographics south of the United States border.

**Areas of Concern:**
None to address

**Last Updated:**
January 19, 2017

**Interactions:**
NAME of CONTACT:
DATE of CONTACT:
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FYSA they keep adding more people to the list.

See note about the $25B ask for wall funding vice $18B

Looks good. Wall funding is at $25 billion now per yesterday's WH request so might want to update that. Keep me posted. Thanks.

Chief will be interviewed by national media outlets NPR and WSJ on border security, the wall, and current migration trends while at the Border Security Expo in San Antonio next week. National Public Radio's and Wall Street Journal's have both asked for one-on-one interviews with Chief as the Deputy Commissioner is not available for these engagements during the expo, though C2 will do a brief media availability following his remarks.

A pre-brief for Chief's scheduled for Monday, January 29th on the below reporter-requested topics:

- Trends in apprehensions, specifically UACs and family units who we hear are crossing farther west of the RGV
- Violence against agents upward trend, specifically the recent rocking in the San Diego sector
Thoughts on the current $18 billion ask for the border wall—location, physical type, blending it with other security features

BP Chief’s recent memo on medical vehicles at checkpoints, and hospitals as sensitive locations

Ongoing issues between Tucson Sector and border humanitarian volunteers like No More Deaths

Progress report on hiring

Best,

Director, Media Division
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. Customs and Border Protection
Office

Best,

Director, Media Division
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. Customs and Border Protection
Office

iPhone
FYSA – information on media requests with OPCNM.

From:
Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2017 5:50 PM
To: AJO COMMAND STAFF; AJO SBPA GML
Subject: FW: Media Request from FYSA – information on media requests with OPCNM.

Patrol Agent in Charge
Ajo Border Patrol Station

From:
Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2017 2:36 PM
To: Cc:
Subject: Re: Media Request from FYSA – information on media requests with OPCNM.

FYI,

After conferring with NPS managers, to include regional support, the following was decided on the media requests addressed below:

Request #1 – with the Arizona Republic was granted permission to film. was going to shadow Aguilas del Desierto this Sat/Sun on the Monument, but this may have fallen through. July 6th he is still scheduled to ride with BP. I saw an earlier e-mail indicating that BPAs were considering shifting it to the 3 Points area, but OPCNM has approved of their visit to the Monument, if they so desire.

Request #2 – cleared to proceed with filming...working with Aguilas del Desierto and No more Deaths this Sat/Sun

Request #3 - is not cleared to film this weekend. A special use permit application was sent to her and we will be waiting for her to complete necessary documentation before the request is evaluated. She was scheduled to work with Angeles del Desierto.

All of the aforementioned individuals were provided information about Designated Wilderness, how they must conduct themselves, and which practices are prohibited (i.e. off-road travel, travel on TI roads, etc). They were also asked to confirm with the leaders of the various humanitarian groups to ensure that they too were aware of various rules/regs. Personal preparedness was also addressed, in hopes of avoiding another SAR involving humanitarian workers/media.

Be safe.
Hello all:

You may want to include this in your discussion with tomorrow.

**Request 1:** With the AZ Republic, called again and has not yet received the permit application. He is getting nervous for a response.

**Request 2:** We received another call from a freelance reporter on fellowship with Yale University, who has been covering numerous issues on migration on both sides of the border. Will be contacting you to inquire about a SUP in the morning.

(freelance reporter on Yale fellowship)

Phone

(freelance reporter on Yale fellowship)

Photographer/vidographer with the Guardian

She, along with a film and video photographer, is requesting permission to go out with Agilas Del Desierto this weekend. From Agilas Del Desierto apparently told her that they have secured permission for their group to conduct their activity in the Monument, however she would independently seek permission from NPS on her own. If NPS granted her permission, then Agilas Del Desierto would welcome her to come along on Saturday.

She needs to know if she has our permission to participate on short notice.

**Request 3:** Vice Media TV is making repetitive calls for a SUP application for film this weekend's search for a documentary she is working on.

Thanks,

Supervisory Park Ranger
Volunteer Coordinator
Public Affairs Officer
Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument

"Do only excellent work, not because of ratings and reviews. But because you know that in an audience of a thousand, there's one person whose life you are going to change for the better."

Matthew Ferrara
Hi,

Can you please attend the April 10th meeting as well as the April 12th meeting?

Thank you,

CBP-OPA Arizona
Assistant Chief Patrol Agent
Field Communications Division
Tucson, Arizona

All,

Attached and below is the look ahead for April.

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Location: Focus on Nogales

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I will be away in San Antonio for training those three days.

I am available all of the days/times suggested.

Are any of the date and times good for you, or do you have an alternative suggestion?

Good Morning

The Chief met with No More Deaths this past week. was in attendance as a NMD representative. The question came up about DACA recipients having their records checked at the checkpoint. They asked if this was new.
told them that was always the direction given to the agents. As DACA is not actually status, BP runs checks to see if anything has changed since their DACA. If they have a new criminal conviction or have committed a crime or are in the commission of an act that is a crime they would be NTA’d and sent to ICE.

There is really no change for us, this is business as usual.

Not sure if that is where it came from, but they would be reading into the exchange by making the statement “any contact with law enforcement”.

If you would like I could attend the requested meeting with you.

Good morning

I received the below email yesterday and wanted to forward it to you for your thoughts.

Thanks

Hello Manager

I wanted to reach out to you to request a liaison meeting.

We have heard a report from another AILA attorney that DACA recipients will be arrested if they have had any contact with law enforcement by CBP officers. That will be one of the issues that we want to cover, but I’m sure other issues will come up when we do a call for questions from our members.
Is there a time in May that works for you? I am free May 17, 18, 19 from 11-5.

Regards,

(b) (6)

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Thank you for the update.

I just spoke with the family and they have no further updates. It appears that is the foot guide known as He was also the last person that saw.

No more deaths just sent me a new email asking about Please see below:

Hi

Yesterday you followed up with me that and were found by border patrol. I am wondering if there is any further update on the third person traveling with them, whose full name I now have, born in Mexico, described as being tall, round-faced, and brown-skinned, and 28 or 29 years old. He was also traveling in the area of and reported as in distress as of Wednesday at 1 am.

Thank you again for your help,

I responded to NMD asking them to have the family contact CIAM for the updates. No further info was provided to NMD.

Please pass this email to AJO TOC SBPA.

V/R,
We received the following information from the AJO LECA. We have had zero contact with any individual on day shift.

FYSA: "I just talked to our agent at the hospital with [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) I asked if his cousin had a cell phone with him. He said he had a phone but that he had left it behind in a red backpack when he had gone off in search of water. He said that they had all left it behind when they were rescued last night so if his cousin made it back to the pack, he could have his phone with him. The cell number her provided is [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) I don't know if this helps at all, I wanted to make sure it got passed along. He said he had 50% battery left last night but it's a smartphone."

V/r,

Joint Task Force West - Arizona
Joint Intelligence and Operations Center
[b] (6), (b) (7)(C) Office
Fax

From: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 7:04 PM
To: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: TCA-MMP
Subject: RE: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

Thank you for the update. Will stand by on notifying CIAM until search is completed.

From: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 2:56:49 AM
To: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

A humanitarian group is out there right now. We also have the helicopter doing an aerial search.

From: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 6:54 PM
To: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: TCA-MMP
Subject: RE: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

Thank you Sir,

We will inform CIAM of the outcome so they can reach out to the reporting party for any additional information of the missing subjects.
NMD has not initiated a search yet but I don't doubt that they will head out there this weekend.

V/r,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 2:38:40 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)
Subject: RE: Sir,

We had an fly the area and they haven’t seen any fires or individuals. There is a white dodge truck in the area that we encountered the day before and I believe they are from a church group that drops off water and supplies in the area. They may be associated with NMD but unknown if they are looking for the individuals as well.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 3:02 PM
To: AJO, AJO WC, AJO SBPA GML, (b) (7)(E)
Cc: JIOC, JIOC-CB, TCA-MMP, (b) (7)(E)
Subject: FW: Sir,

Would you happen to have any positive contact with distressed subjects stated below? As of this moment JIOC has not received any 911 calls from Pima County in the AJO AOR. I just received another third party missing migrant report from No More Deads – NGO on behalf of the family. There is no additional information at this time. See copy of email below. I spoke with the cousin She stated that the third subject “unknown name” was the foot guide and that he was going to lead them to water near maybe the humane I instructed to contact MEX Call center (CIAM) if she found out any additional information. I will maintain contact with CIAM and NMD and let you know if there is any additional information. Please let us know if you have any contact with these subjects.
On Wed, Jul 19, 2017 at 1:57 PM, Equipo de Busqueda wrote:

Good afternoon

I received a call today from the cousin of two men from Mexico who went missing last night with a third friend in the area north of Sonoyta. She said she had already called 911, the consulate, and border patrol and believes her cousins may have called 911 as well. We have also searched in the ICE and prison databases and found nothing.

One cousin's name is COB Mexico

The other's name is COB Mexico

Their cousin is and her number is Would you be able to do an apprehension search for these people?

Thank you,

Good afternoon

I have slightly more information. Their cousin stated that they had told her they were near to last night at 1 am, had lit a fire to try to draw attention, were out of water, and that their friend might know a place to look for water nearby.

Thank you,

Respectfully,

(A)Operations Officer
TCA Missing Migrant Program
To report a missing migrant in Arizona, please use the following email:
AZMissingmigrant@CBP.DHS.GOV

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of JIOC-CBP
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 7:00 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) TCA-MMP (b) (7)(E) JIOC-CBP (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) TCA-MMP (b) (7)(E) JIOC-CBP (b) (7)(E)
Subject: RE: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

Sir,

Negative contact in 911 records for the following subject:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

V/r,

Joint Task Force West - Arizona
Joint Intelligence and Operations Center
Office
Fax

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 6:18 AM
To: JIOC-CBP (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) TCA-MMP (b) (7)(E)
Subject: FW: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

JIOC,

In support of AMMI SOP can you please check yesterday and today 911 call log and (b) (7)(E) for the subject below:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Last contact was earlier this morning very possible within the Ajo AOR.

Claimed to be near (possibly west end of (b) (7)(E) and has started a signal fire in order to be found. He and two others are out of water and dehydrated. One of the other two subjects name is (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) No other landmarks were provided due to poor visibility during the last phone contact.

CIAM (Mex Cons) was able to communicate with him at approx 3am and advised him to continue dialing 911 and not speak with anyone else in order to preserve cell phone battery.

Please reply to all of you have any findings. If no positive contact please forward this email string to Ajo TOC Supervisor.

Thank you in advance,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 11:44:48 AM
To: TCA-MMP; Call Center Protección para Mexicanos en Arizona;
Subject: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

FECHA: 19 DE JULIO DE 2017
TITULAR: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
FECHA Y LUGAR DE NACIMIENTO: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) CD. OBREGON, SONORA
COMPAÑERICO Y PARENTESCO: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SE SOLICITA LA ATENSA INTERVENCION DEL DEPARTAMENTO DE PROTECCION DE CONSULMEX TUCSON PARA VERIFICAR LA SITUACION FISICA Y JURIDICA DEL CONNACIONAL (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) QUIEN CRUZO LA FRONTERA DE SONOYTA, SONORA EL 17 DE JULIO DE 2017 EN COMPANIA DE OTRAS DOS PERSONAS, DE NOMBRE (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Y SE DESCONOCE LA IDENTIDAD DEL OTRO CONNACIONAL. EL DIA 19 DE JULIO DE 2017 SE RECIBIO LLAMADA AL CENTRO DE INFORMACION Y ASISTENCIA A MEXICANOS (CIAM) POR PARTE DE LA SRA. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) QUIEN SE IDENTIFICÓ COMO PRIMA DEL TITULAR, E INDICO QUE LOS TRES CONNACIONALES SE ENCUENTRAN PERDIDOS EN LA ZONA CONOCIDA COMO EL (b) (7)(E) ADEMÁS MENCIONO QUE YA NO Cuentan CON AGUA NI ALIMENTO, POR LO QUE REALIZARON VARIAS LLAMADAS AL NUMERO DE EMERGENCIA 911 PARA SOLICITAR APOYO, SIN EMBARGO NO SE LOGRO HACER EL ENLACE.

DEBIDO A ESTA SITUACION LOS CONNACIONALES PRENDIERON UNA FOGATA PARA QUE PUEDAN SER IDENTIFICADOS POR AUTORIDADES DE PATRULLA FRONTERIZA, SIN EMBARGO HASTA EL MOMENTO SE ENCUENTRAN EXTRAVIADOS.

PERSONAL DE CIAM TUVO UNA BREVE COMUNICACION CON EL TITULAR, A QUIEN SE LE INDICO QUE CONTINUE MARCANDO AL NUMERO DE EMERGENCIA 911 PARA QUE PUEDAN SER LOCALIZADOS Y QUE TRATE DE AHORRAR LA BATERIA DEL CELULAR PARA QUE PUEDA ENTABLAR COMUNICACION CON LAS AUTORIDADES DE RESCATE. ASIMISMO SE DESTACA QUE EL TITULAR INDICO QUE EL Y SUS COMPAÑEROS PRESENTAN SINTOMAS DE DEHIDRATACION, SIN EMBARGO, NO PROPORCIONO DETALLES ESPECIFICOS SOBRE LA ZONA DONDE SE ENCUENTRAN, DEBIDO A LA FALTA DE VISIBILIDAD DEL AREA.

FINALMENTE SE INDICA QUE EL CONNACIONAL NO CUENTA CON DETENCIONES PREVIAS Y PORTA UN TELEFONO CELULAR CON NUMERO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). EL TITULAR CUENTA CON DEPORTACIONES ANTERIORES, YA QUE PARTICIPO EN EL POGRAMA ATEP DEL RIO DEL 10 DE OCTUBRE DE 2014.
-Cabe mencionar que se requirió enviar documentación que compruebe el parentesco, la cual se anexará una vez recibida.

Se notifica lo anterior para los efectos conducentes.
From: 
Sent: Tuesday, February 6, 2018 10:22 AM 
To: 
Subject: news article


Border Patrol Agent - Tucson Sector Office
Ajo Station
Will do.

From: [redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 11:26 AM
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: [redacted]
Importance: High

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From: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 10:27 AM
To: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: NGO Community Forum
Importance: High

ALCON,

You are receiving this email as you have either been in communication with [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) or will be asked to provide information or participate in the Community Forum on January 30th (location & address to follow). Below is what I have as of 5:30pm last night.

The Community Forum will follow the format from last year's forum: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) will serve as moderator and open the meeting with introductions and for Chief [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) to deliver opening remarks. The identified topics/issues will be the Border Wall, Dreamers and asylum cases, humanitarian aid (what are standards-boundaries for providing humanitarian aid) and the [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) arrest. Each subject will have a limited discussion period with the forum concluding at a specified time. However the recent events with No More Deaths will consume most of the dialogue. This worked really well last time and in light of all the media hype and community emotions I believe the Chief is going to call a meeting on this event and hope this information will allow to prepare for this meeting.

Media will expectedly be interested. The Chief has indicated no press in the event, and no media interviews but a statement release prior to the forum.

I believe the Chief is going to call a meeting on this event and hope this information will allow to prepare for this meeting.
August 22, 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief Patrol Agent
Tucson Sector

FROM: Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
Ajo Station

SUBJECT: Non-Government Organization Contact

At approximately 2210 hours, Border Patrol Agent (BPA) made contact with a motorist near . The motorist stated that she had four friends who broke down and requested assistance in locating them. BPA contacted agents to assist in the search. The motorist drove to to wait for her friends.

At approximately 2310 hours, BPA and BPA made contact with the inoperable vehicle on approximately eight miles south of the . At which time they found out the four individuals were associated with . They stated two of the four individuals claimed to have permits to be on the Organ Pipe National Monument.

At 2320 hours, Supervisory Border Patrol Agent (SBPA) attempted to contact the National Park Service. Attempts were made via radio and telephone but were unsuccessful.

At approximately 2330 hours, BPA and BPA gave a courtesy ride to the four individuals from their location to the area. The individuals stated they will be contacting a tow tomorrow.

All information on the vehicle and location of the vehicle will be sent to the National Park Service.

The was contacted and stated this event did not meet the requirement for a Significant Incident Report.

Biographical information:
NAME: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
DOB: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
COC: US

Driver

NAME: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
DOB: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
COC: US

NAME: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
DOB: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
COC: US

NAME: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
DOB: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
COC: US

Vehicle Information:

YEAR: Unknown
MAKE: Ford
MODEL: F-150
COLOR: Maroon
PLATE: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Grid Coordinates: (b) (7)(E)

No further updates are expected.

Watch Commander (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) reviewed and approved this narrative.
At approximately 1436 hours, Border Patrol Agent (BPA) had contact with a Non-Government Organization.

BPA saw a Dodge pick-up bearing Arizona license plate driving south with the bed area loaded with water. As BPA was driving behind the vehicle it pulled over at BPA approached the vehicle and identified the occupants as being from the Non-Government Organization No More Deaths.

All subjects were released without any incident.

Biographical information:

NAME: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
DOB: 
COC: US
DL: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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DOB: 
COC: US
DL: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

No further updates are expected.

Acting Watch Commander reviewed and approved this narr
July 26, 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR:  Acting Chief Patrol Agent
                    Tucson Sector

FROM:            Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
                    Ajo Station

SUBJECT: Non-Government Organization Contact

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No further updates are expected.

Acting Watch Commander reviewed and approved this narrative.
September 3, 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR:    Chief Patrol Agent
                     Tucson Sector

FROM:               Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
                     Ajo Station

SUBJECT:            Non-Government Organization Contact

At approximately 1130 hours, Supervisory Border Patrol Agent and Border Patrol Agent encountered a Non-Government Organization.

At approximately 0900 hours, a near the rescue beacon located at the intersection of a Yellow Nissan Pathfinder, a White X-terra and a White Nissan Frontier. These three vehicles were encountered the day before by other agents (ref. Those individuals were identified as belonging to the group No More Deaths Non-Government Organization (NGO). The Organ Pipe Visitor’s Center was contacted and they stated that no one from the No More Deaths NGO obtained permits to be on the park.

BPA then proceeded to locate several locations were water and supplies were left, presumably by the No More Deaths NGO. SBPA also discovered a game trail camera located near water supply located the

At approximately 1330 hours, SBPA located the two vehicles located off the He observed foot sign travelling north into the area.

As of 2125 hours, agents have not encountered the No More Deaths NGO personnel.

Further updates will be disseminated if and when they become available.

This narrative was approved by Acting Watch Commander
At approximately 1840 hours, Agent [redacted] and I, Supervisory Border Patrol Agent [redacted], had contact with a Non-Government Organization.

At approximately 1745 hours, we observed two vehicles driving in tandem leaving the area and driving northeast towards the Lukeville Port of Entry. The vehicles were described as a yellow Nissan 350Z and a white Nissan Frontier. At approximately 1840 hours, both vehicles arrived at the Border Patrol Checkpoint located near Lukeville. All occupants of both vehicles stated that they were hiking and cleaning up trash in the desert. The occupants stated that they were from the Non-Government Organization No More Deaths. Both vehicles were registered to the Tucson office of Tucson.

All subjects were released without any incident.

Vehicles:

- 2006 yellow Nissan 350Z
- 2000 white Nissan Frontier

Biographical information of subjects in yellow vehicle:

- NAME: [redacted] (driver)
  - COC: US
  - DL: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

- NAME: [redacted] (front passenger)
  - COC: US
  - DL: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

- NAME: [redacted] (rear right passenger)
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Biographical information of subjects in white vehicle:

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No further updates are expected.

Watch Commander (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) reviewed and approved this narrative
Good morning sir,

With the increasing presence of NGO’s in the Ajo AOR, I have been approached by agents and supervisors alike asking the differences between the different groups. I am working on a quick fact sheet on the different NGO’s that we can encounter out here so that our SBPA’s can have a little background knowledge for future encounters. I am attaching what I have compiled so far from memory as well as from your explanations and descriptions in this email chain.

If you have the time, would you mind taking a look at the attached document and seeing if my facts are correct and/or if I have left anything of importance out?

Thank you,

Public Lands Liaison Agent
U.S. Border Patrol
Ajo, Arizona

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This message contains information intended only for the addressee named above. If you believe you have received this email in error, please notify the sender immediately.

Thank you Sir.

Águilas del Desierto has been in good standing with us and other landowners.

As far as I know they do not have a specific target but if associated with No More Deaths, they will probably be looking for the same bodies that No More Deaths have been trying to locate south of Kino Pass.
Please let me know if there are any issues this coming weekend.

Thank you again.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2017 2:01:28 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: 
Subject: Re: NGO groups this past weekend.

All,

Members affiliated with Angeles del Desierto were contacted over the weekend and issued written warnings for fee and closure violations in the area of 3G.

We sent Rangers out today to attempt to locate subjects associated with Angeles del Desierto that were southwest of Kino, locating one member of said party. The vehicle was located on the Pozo Nuevo Road/5.5 Road intersection. The subject that had stayed with the vehicle was relation to the individual they were searching for, and indicated that the party comprised of four others, one of whom was a reporter with the Arizona Republic. I contacted the number that was provided to the Monument front desk and spoke with (b) (6) He advised that he was not aware of filming restrictions within the Monument, but stated that it was for news purposes. I explained that there is a greater degree of leniency in cases such as what he had described, but that it was required to vet it through the appropriate channels. (b) (6) acknowledged the advisement and indicated that he was scheduled to film with BP assets next week, within the Monument. I informed (b) (6) that I would forward a Special Use Permit (SUP) application for him to fill out, to be used in the determination of the feasibility of the project.

Additionally, I received a call from another humanitarian organization, Aguilas del Desierto, not to be confused with Angeles del Desierto. The POC was (b) (6) He advised that his organization is partnering with No Mas Muertes this coming weekend, and will be grid searching the Puerto Blanco Mountains west of the Monument's developed area (SR 85, MM 75). He stated that approximately 20 volunteers between the two organizations will be staying at the Twin Peaks Group Campground. He denied having current intel of any remains, responding only that they had heard of discoveries being made in the area in the past year. I advised that off road travel was prohibited, to include TI roads. I also informed him that a SUP was required for commercial filming/photography. (b) (6) seemed receptive and said that he'd pass along the information to the other participants.

On Mon, Jun 26, 2017 at 7:43 AM, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) wrote:

(b) (6)

Just need to clarify, that US Border Patrol has no ties with “Angeles del Desierto”. This is a private sector self-proclaimed search and rescue group based out of San Diego. Traditionally, they have violated permit rules and
regulations and in some times not even soliciting the appropriate permits. They have been escorted out of the Tohon Odam Nation for the lack of permits and carrying firearms.

I know that this last weekend they were given a written warning for off-road trespassing west of Bates Well. I also know that they were placing unsecured gallons of water next to the approved Humane Borders blue water tanks.

This group is not to be associated with “AGUILAS del desierto” which whom we have been developing a working relationship in order to mitigate humanitarian needs with the least operational and environment impact.

Also, this morning another group of people will be conducting a search along the outskirt of Kino Pass. This group is also NOT working with US Border Patrol. This is a family group led by [redacted] an US resident and [redacted]. It appears that he is aware of the driving permits within the Organ Pipe but not sure what his intentions are in regards to reaching the presumed location of the deceased body they are looking for. They will also be accompanied by media representatives (Arizona Republic), but no other NGO.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

(A)Operations Officer
TCA Missing Migrant Program

To report a missing migrant in Arizona, please use the following email:

AZMissingmigrant@CBP.DHS.GOV
Thanks for the head's up. I'll let more fully address the encounters, but yes, groups were encountered Saturday and Sunday.

On Mon, Jun 26, 2017 at 6:53 AM, [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) wrote:

Good morning Gentlemen,

We were wondering if any of the intel we shared regarding the NGO search groups lead to any incidents over the past weekend?

I just heard (unconfirmed) that one of the NGO groups was searching and going off-road in their vehicles.

Please advise.

Respectfully,

[b] (6), (b) (7)(C)

Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Tucson Sector Border Patrol
Public Lands Liaison

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Acting Superintendent
Chief, Natural and Cultural Resources Management
Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument
10 Organ Pipe Drive
Ajo, AZ 85321
Ph: (b) (6)
Cell: (b) (6)

Chief Ranger
Division of Visitor and Resource Protection
Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument
Office: (b) (6)
Cell: (b) (6)
From: AJO SBPA GML
Sent: Friday, July 21, 2017 7:09 PM
To: AJO SBPA GML
Cc: AJO WC; AJO SOS
Subject: NGO IIR Requirement

ALCON,

Effective immediately, all encounters with Non-Government Organizations (NGO) such as, No More Deaths and Angels of the Desert, will need to be documented via IIR. [b] (7)(E) which will be included in the IIR.

If the encounter takes place during a vehicle stop, please ensure we are detaining only long enough to complete the law enforcement action for the stop. If an agent discovers other violations of laws during the encounter, they must only detain long enough to complete the investigation for immigration or drug violations and notify the proper authorities for the violation of law. Beyond that we should also remind agents that they should approach every encounter as if they are being recorded. These NGO groups have already shown complete disregard for law enforcement and may use the opportunity to bait them into a bad situation.

In order to assist with future prosecution of these NGOs, the land managers for [b] (7)(E) have asked that we document any locations where these groups have placed water, food or other items. Please have agents take pictures if possible and mark the GPS location for the items left behind.

If you have any questions please let me know.

Thank you,

(A) Deputy Patrol Agent in Charge
Ajo Border Patrol Station
Office: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
Mobile: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
NMD continues to reference an agreement between Chief and them. I do remember seeing a hard copy of the agreement many years ago, but I can’t find it on the hard drive. I sent me the attached proposal, but it’s not the agreement that I recall seeing. I remember the one that Chief reviewed as having a signature line.
Sir,
I remember the agreement they wanted him to sign but it did not go anywhere. I'll check to see if I can find an electronic version.

I went through the below folders – do you recall having an electronic copy of an agreement that Chie had with NMD and their camp? I remember seeing a hard copy of the document when was here, but I don't recall ever receiving an electronic copy.

Division Chief
Law Enforcement Operational Programs
U.S. Border Patrol - Tucson Sector
2430 S. Swan Road
Tucson, Arizona 85711
Please see LESC responses below in red:

1. For how long have you been separating the categories “singular assaults” versus “assault incidents”?

   In June 2017, the CBP Office of Public Affairs published assault and use of force statistics for the previous month (May 2017) that included separate categories for incidents and singular assaults/uses of force.

2. What is the definition of a “singular assault”? Does it include, for example, brandishing an object such as a water bottle or a rock, even without throwing the object? Does it include an agent’s spotting individuals brandishing or throwing, even if the agent is well out of range of the action?

   Brandishing a water bottle most likely would not be considered an assault. It is the involved Officer/Agent’s perception of whether or not he or she felt threatened by the subject’s actions. For an action to be considered a reportable assault, there has to be some risk of injury to the Officer/Agent. Therefore, the rock being thrown well out of range of the Officer/Agent would also not likely be considered a reportable assault. If the subject was in range of the Officer/Agent with a rock in their hand and their arm cocked back in a throwing motion, then a reportable assault has occurred. The Officer/Agent does not have to wait to be struck with the rock for the assault to have occurred and they do not have to wait to use force to protect themselves from the threat of that rock. All assault related definitions are listed below.

**Assault Incidents**
An incident is the overall encounter between CBP Officer(s)/Agent(s) and subject(s) wherein an assault occurs. Incidents may involve multiple assaults, multiple subjects and/or multiple officers/agents. Incidents may also involve multiple CBP components. For example, two subjects throwing rocks at two agents in close proximity to each other is counted as one assault incident.

**Singular Assault**
A singular assault is any assault applied by a subject against CBP Officer/Agent during an incident. Using the same example, two subjects throwing rocks at two agents in close proximity to each other is counted as four singular assaults. Each subject assaulted both agents with rocks.
Reportable Assault (Reportable in E-STAR) - Any action which meets the definition of Assault, Assaultive Resistance (Physical Injury, Serious Physical Injury), or Transferred Intent, regardless of whether or not the subject was apprehended, identified, or the prosecutorial disposition.

Assault - A physically manifested attempt or threat to inflict injury on CBP personnel, whether successful or not, which causes a reasonable apprehension of imminent bodily harm.

Assaultive Resistance (Physical Injury) - A subject whose resistance causes or has the potential to cause, physical injury to the officer/agent, others, or self. This includes a subject’s attempts (or apparent intent) to make physical contact in an attempt to control or assault the officer/agent.

Assaultive Resistance (Serious Physical Injury/Death) - A subject whose resistance causes, or has the potential to cause, serious physical injury or death to the officer/agent, others, or self.

Transferred Intent - When an intent to cause harm to one person results in harm or damage to another person or a thing instead of the intended human target. (e.g., when a launched or thrown projectile strikes a vehicle, but misses the area in which an officer/agent is sitting).

3. When was the AUFSR (Assault and Use of Force Reporting System) implemented? What is the difference between the way reports were done before AUFSR, versus after, when an assault happened that didn’t lead to a use-of-force response?

The Assaults and Use of Force Reporting System (AUFRS) was partially implemented on October 1, 2014. The initial version lacked a great deal of functionality and only had a mechanism for recording assaults, not use of force. The U.S. Border Patrol opted to continue using their own assault reporting system (e3 Assaults Module) until the system could be redesigned. The Office of Field Operations (OFO) and Air and Marine Operations (AMO) did begin using the system for assault reporting only, but data indicates they were using it on a limited basis.

A redesigned version of AUFRS was fully implemented on February 5, 2016. From January 1, 2010 to February 4, 2016, use of force was reported for all CBP components in the Use of Force Reporting System (UFRS). When the redesigned version of AUFRS went live, the other systems (UFRS and the e3 Assaults Module) were turned off for any new entries and all CBP components began reporting assaults and uses of force in AUFRS. In August 2017, AUFRS was renamed the Enforcement Action Statistical Analysis and Reporting system (E-STAR). This was a change in name only, and no functionality was changed. The fundamental difference between the way reports were done before AUFRS and after its inception was that there was now one system in which all CBP components could report assaults and uses of force. Prior to this, assaults that did not lead to a use of force response were still being captured, but in separate systems.
4. Why did assault figures suddenly rise in the RGV in late FY2016 and early FY 2017? Was the increase related to the introduction of the AUFSR?

There are a number of factors that could have contributed to the rise of assault numbers in RGV. LESC has recognized several statistical outliers that have at least partially contributed to the rise in RGV assault numbers. A synopsis of those cases is below:

- Late FY16 included two incidents with multiple singular assaults: one in August in which 10 subjects threw rocks at two agents, totaling 20 assaults and a second in September in which two subjects threw multiple objects (rocks and bottles) at three agents, totaling 12 assaults.

- Several multiple-assault incidents occurred in early FY17. There were four incidents in October and November with double-digit singular assaults (10(x2), 12, and 18), as well as numerous smaller-scale incidents ranging from 2-9 singular assaults (in addition to other single-assault incidents).

- By far the largest assault incident of FY17 occurred in February 2017, wherein seven US Border Patrol Agents were assaulted by six subjects utilizing three different types of projectiles (rocks, bottles, and tree branches), totaling 126 singular assaults in one incident. (A similar incident occurred in late in FY17 (September), with four agents assaulted by seven subjects throwing rocks and pieces of brick, totaling 56 singular assaults.)

Increased scrutiny of reports by LESC staff to ensure that assaults documented in E-STAR narratives are entered into the system has also had an impact on the assault numbers. Reports are now sent back to the field if found to have mismatches between the narratives and the data entered, meaning that assaults that would have formerly gone unreported are now being captured in the system.

There are also operational considerations such as trends in narcotics and alien smuggling that must also be considered when evaluating rises/drops in assaults. Those considerations are best evaluated by the operational components in the field.
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Thanks again for your assistance.

COS, Intergovernmental Public Liaison (IPL)

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Sent: Friday, March 09, 2018 2:34 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: CBP-INTERGOVERNMENTAL-PUBLIC-LIAISON
Subject: RE: C1BB: NGO Quarterly Meeting

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- OPR
  - When will the FY16 annual report be released?
  - Why did the use of force summary take two years to release?

Thanks for your assistance with all this, and please let me know if you have any questions.

COS, Intergovernmental Public Liaison (IPL)
My apologies, the summary is attached.

Deputy Director
U.S. Customs & Border Protection
Law Enforcement Safety & Compliance (LESC)
Harpers Ferry, WV 25425

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, March 8, 2018 5:04 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: CI BB: NGO Quarterly Meeting

Sir,
Thanks for sending this information. The NUFRB paper has this bullet in the Background section:

- A total of 31 recommendations have been issued by NUFRB, including: 10 equipment recommendations, 9 training recommendations, 8 policy recommendations, 3 policy/training recommendations and 1 tactics/training recommendation (a detailed summary is also attached).

Unfortunately, I'm not seeing another attachment with that summary. Any chance you could share that with me? Thanks.

COS, Intergovernmental Public Liaison (IPL)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of OC BRIEFING STAFF
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 2:55 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (7)(E)
Subject: CI BB: NGO Quarterly Meeting

Please see attached from LESC.
Good Afternoon,

Please see attached issue papers. Feel free to contact LESC Command should you have any questions.

Thank You,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Deputy Director
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FYI  
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From (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on behalf of OFAM-TASKINGS  
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Cc: OFAM Exec Support (b) (7)(E) Enterprise Services Exec Sec (b) (7)(E)  
Subject: RE: [STATUS] C1BB: NGO Quarterly Meeting  

Hi (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  

OFAM’s response is currently with Enterprise Services FO for review.  

Thanks,  
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  

Executive Support  
Office of Facilitites and Asset Management (OFAM)  
DHS | CBP | Enterprise Services  
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Thanks for your assistance with all this, and please let me know if you have any questions.

COS, Intergovernmental Public Liaison (IPL)
My apologies, the summary is attached.

Sir,
Thanks for sending this information. The NUFRB paper has this bullet in the Background section:

- A total of 31 recommendations have been issued by NUFRB, including: 10 equipment recommendations, 9 training recommendations, 8 policy recommendations, 3 policy/training recommendations and 1 tactics/training recommendation (*a detailed summary is also attached*).

Unfortunately, I’m not seeing another attachment with that summary. Any chance you could share that with me? Thanks.

COS, Intergovernmental Public Liaison (IPL)

Please see attached from LESC.
Good Afternoon,

Please see attached issue papers. Feel free to contact LESC Command should you have any questions.

Thank You,

Deputy Director
U.S. Customs & Border Protection
Law Enforcement Safety & Compliance (LESC)
Harpers Ferry, WV 25425

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Sent: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 1:34 PM
To: CBP-INTERGOVERNMENTAL-PUBLIC-LIAISON [b] (7)(E)
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OPRTASKING-CBP [b] (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)
LESC Command [b] (7)(E)
Cc: OC BRIEFING STAFF [b] (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

For the 2nd bullet:

- Why did the use of force summary take two years to release? OPR defers to OCC. The case was pending litigation that impacted the timing.

Thank you,

Audit Program Manager | AC’s Staff
Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR)
U.S. Customs & Border Protection | DHS

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We have the answer to the first bullet:

- When will the FY16 annual report be released? It is in final review stage with OPA which is a required step prior to external release.

We will have the 2nd bullet to you shortly.

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OPR responded this morning at 11:45 AM.

V/R,

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Deputy Director

Credibility Assessment Division

Office of Professional Responsibility

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, March 2, 2018 7:07 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Could you just change the language to make it up to date and that we are evaluating the pilot? You can send it in with that. Thanks.

Director, Credibility Assessment Division

CBP | Office of Professional Responsibility

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Will check but I don’t believe RGV has anything to report.

Please see below request from C-2. Please provide any high profile arrests of NGO people for Harboring and other smuggling/transporting related charges. Please have responses NLT 1/25 at 3:00 pm EST.

Thank you

Assistant Chief
Ops East Sector

You have the lead on collating the responses. Follow the NMD IP structure that has.

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Regards,

[redacted]
Associate Chief
Law Enforcement Operations Directorate
Operations - East Corridor
U.S Border Patrol
1300 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W.
Washington, DC 20229
Good Morning,

C2 is requesting any information on arrests that occurred of "High Profile" NGOs for harboring or smuggling related charges.

Please forward any incidents found to me by 2:00pm today.

Thank you,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Assistant Chief - LEOD / Operations East
U.S. Border Patrol Headquarters

From:
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 8:43 AM
To: LRT STAFF TASKS
Subject: FW: No More Death (NGO related) Type Arrests

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U.S. Border Patrol
1300 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W.
Attached is the NGO Roundtable paper with CAD’s updates/edits tracked.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Deputy Director
Credibility Assessment Division
Office of Professional Responsibility
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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Subject: RE: C1BB: NGO Quarterly Meeting
Attachments: NGO Roundtable(CAD Updates).docx

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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Office: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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August 22, 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Chief Patrol Agent
Tucson Sector

FROM: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
Ajo Station

SUBJECT: "No More Deaths" NGO encounter near Rescue Beacon

At approximately 1100 hours, the Ajo Border Patrol Station received a call located at Rescue Beacon off of Border Patrol Agent (BPA) responded to the area and observed a Red F-150 Truck with Arizona LP's parked near the Rescue Beacon. Agent observed 4 subjects placing food and water near the rescue beacon. The subjects identified themselves as part of "no more deaths "humanitarian group.

Fish and Wildlife Officer responded. Officer had the 4 subjects pick up the items and place them back into their vehicle. Officer stated that he could not cite the subjects because near the Rescue Beacon.

No further updates are expected, unless other information becomes available.

Watch Commander reviewed and approved this narrative.
From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 3:06 PM  
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Subject: RE: phone dump request

10-4 Sir thanks for the heads up. I am heading there tomorrow. I have two laptops and one phone I will be dropping off. They are part of the no more deaths case we are working on. I will have a copy of the warrant in hand for the devices.

As always, thanks for your guys help.

-----Original Message-----
From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 1:04 PM  
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Subject: RE: phone dump request

These phones are done and ready to be picked up. FYI, there are some photos of a bundles of marijuana along with some other interesting pics of drugs and guns on the PDI@Phone.

Thanks

Digital Forensics Unit  
2430 S Swan Road  
Tucson, AZ 85711  
CCME, JTAG, CHIP OFF

There are 10 kinds of people in the world. Those who understand binary, and those who do not.

-----Original Message-----
From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2018 3:05 PM  
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Subject: RE: phone dump request

Thanks for the assistance in this matter
From (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 10:47 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: RE: phone dump request

That event is on our to do list. We have it marked as a Prosecution case and it is next in line to get processed. We will advise as soon as it is completed and route everything back to AJO instead of sending it to the Prosecutions office.

Thanks

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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I appreciate your help with this matter.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Border Patrol Agent
Ajo Station

From (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 10:26 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: phone dump request

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Do you know if the phone dump from event (b) (7)(E) is available?
Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Border Patrol Agent - (b) (7)(E)
Tucson Sector - (b) (7)(E) Ajo Station
Office: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
NMD says BP agreed to this document. True or no?
Ten 4 sir, thank you. Will do.

In case you haven’t seen. Please make sure it’s added to files

Yes, we were already planning to discuss their activities on the I’ve attached some recent pics of a No More Deaths cache in We’re going in to backhaul the last of it today. This is showing pretty clear deviation from what they are trying to sell to the public as "humanitarian efforts". These sorts of activities negatively impact the resource, as well as the visitor experience. Side note, they are warning against is actually one of To keep you in the loop, and I are trying to line up a site visit by the AUSA who is currently handling his cases that involve NMD. It sounds like this I’m hoping to gain some traction so that the local DOI agencies are consistent in their management of this expanding issue.

To clarify, you're good with a 0900 meet on the 30th?

On Fri, Jan 26, 2018 at 8:37 AM, wrote: Thank you. Should be an easy lift. One topic I would like to cover that I believe is of mutual concern is the NGOs and them dropping water/food and other supplies in wilderness. Another will be mutual support on things like and daily operations.
Evening,

I've attached a draft itinerary for our brass visit on the 30th.

I asked them to push the start time at the station back to 0900. You'd only be tied up with a brief meet and greet and from there I'd imagine you can help us out with the show and tell of your facility. I've already tied in with him and provided him a copy of these areas/topics we're going to hit.

Have a good one.

On Thu, Jan 18, 2018 at 2:54 PM, [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) wrote:
Apologies for not getting back to you over the phone, but I kept getting pulled into meetings.

Thanks for being willing to take some time out of your busy schedule. One of the folks was suggesting 0800, but I know we all have our routines to take care of (check messages, put out the immediate fires, etc.), so I was thinking more around 0830 or 0900 start at your station. Sounds like the group should be about 10 folks.

The meet and greet would most likely mirror the one from last year, where the Acting Director of the NPS came out with the Regional Director. I'm uncertain if you were involved though, as I didn't meet up with the group until they arrived down at headquarters. I'm not looking to make this a huge time suck for you/your staff though. Perhaps an overview of your AOR, staffing, various tools that you have at your disposal (tech, specialty units, etc.). Also thought it'd be good to hit on any issues/encumbrances that your agency has been faced with in the past (relating specifically to the AOR) and what the agency has done to address them. That would be a natural transition where you could hit on any current events and what you are seeing in the AO. The DRD will most likely be pretty inquisitive about interagency operations and ask about your take on the status of BP/NPS working relationships (successes as well as ways to improve). These are all suggestions, and by no means should you feel like you're compelled to cover any/all of the topics I've rattled off. I know that you've probably orchestrated scores of dog and pony shows for these types of visits, so I you know what works. Completely up to you if you want to stick around for the station tour or if you want to turf it to one of your folks.

I'm going to reach out to [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) to see if he wants to/is able to tag along for some of the site visits within the park, as I know he has some good insight to many of the areas we'll be visiting/talking about. To give you a head's up, we'll be stopping briefly on the way south at the [b] (7)(E) to show them the vehicle barrier/ped fence, out to the [b] (7)(E) site, and out to [b] (7)(E) to see a rescue beacon.

Thank you, sir. Again, apologies for not being able to kick this in the head with a simple call. Have a good weekend.

On Tue, Jan 16, 2018 at 7:35 PM, [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) wrote:
Outstanding. I'll give you a ring in the morning.
On Tue, Jan 16, 2018 at 7:17 PM, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) wrote:

I’m free on the 30th and welcome the opportunity to meet with you and your group. I’m free tomorrow to discuss and then I’m in Tucson beginning Thursday and back in Ajo on Tuesday.

From my iPad

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2018 7:11:16 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Regional NPS Visit

Evening Sir,

I was advised that our Deputy Regional Director (DRD), Regional Chief Ranger (RCR) and a small contingent of personnel are headed out for a site visit on January 30th. The trip is general in nature, but they wanted to see if you or your designee would be available to meet briefly to discuss partnerships, current trends or issues that are impacting the AO, and maybe get a quick tour of your facility. The DRD is new into the permanent position, and hasn't been down to our neck of the woods before. Additionally, his background (if I'm not mistaken) is based in facility management, so he's looking to get some exposure to the challenges we face and how we are working to address them. Probably not looking to exceed more than about 30-45 minutes at the station.

Let me know if you have a couple minutes in the next few days to see if something like this would be doable.

Much appreciated.

Chief Ranger
Division of Visitor and Resource Protection
Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument
Office: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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Samaritans
c/o Southside Presbyterian Church
317 W. 23rd Street
Tucson, AZ 857113

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Sincerely,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Chief Patrol Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Enclosure
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[Enclosure]
Proposed Agreements between U.S. Border Patrol and humanitarian organizations No More Deaths, Tucson Samaritans, and Green Valley Samaritans

There be a consistent mechanism to ensure that migrant belongings are managed and returned in a timely and efficient way;

The Tucson Sector has in place policies that expeditiously unite detainees and their property prior to repatriation.

U.S. Border Patrol consistently comply with its existing commitments regarding repatriation, particularly of vulnerable populations;

DHS, ICE, and CBP have negotiated an agreement with the government of Mexico, the Mexican Consulate, and INAMI (Instituto Nacional de Migracion) dictating the manners of repatriation. All aliens being repatriated are screened and accepted by the Mexican Consulate and INAMI.

U.S. Border Patrol disclose its existing policies regulating any facility that processes or detains migrants for any period of time;

The avenue to request government documents is through filing a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

U.S. Border Patrol work with humanitarian organizations to develop improved standards that are uniform across sectors, public and enforceable;

The Tucson Sector is open to input, recommendations, and suggestions for improving our efficiency and effectiveness. Standards of confinement, to include our processing facilities, are regulated at the national level.

U.S. Border Patrol provide humanitarian observers access to facilities that process or detain migrants;

The Tucson Sector continues to provide scheduled tours of our stations to include the processing areas. All tours need to be coordinated and approved in advance and are contingent upon current operational activity. This is the standard for all groups requesting to visit any of our facilities.

Humanitarian, faith based, and activist organizations at the local and national level have received tours and briefings of the processing areas. The scheduled visits will continue on a case by case basis.
U.S. Border Patrol agents will receive instructions that humanitarian aid is not in violation of any law;

Tucson Sector Border Patrol Agents are aware that providing emergent care to aliens may not rise to the level of facilitation or commission of a crime. Agents are in place to enforce laws under Title 8, Title 19, Title 21 and other federal statutes.

U.S. Border Patrol will not destroy water or other aid materials, nor encourage the employees of other agencies to do so;

Tucson Sector does not encourage the destruction of approved labeled water stations. Agents use discretion when encountering food, water, or other materials left unattended in the field. Agents are cognizant about leaving the desert environment in a pristine condition and often times collect discarded trash. The Tucson Sector does not encourage other agencies to collect or destroy items they find but to adhere to their individual agency policies.

Humanitarians will be able to provide needed assistance to migrants already in custody, in the field and in the custody of subcontractors of the U.S. Border Patrol;

Detainees in the custody of the Border Patrol are in the care of the U.S. Government. The Border Patrol receives appropriated funds to provide for the basic human needs of people who are in the custody of the government. For these reasons, the Border Patrol cannot accept donations from outside organizations.

U.S. Border Patrol not handle humanitarians in any way if encountered in the field;

Tucson Sector Border Patrol Agents should always be courteous and professional. Humanitarian groups will receive the same prompt, courteous, and professional treatment as provided to the general public.

There be no surveillance of water sites or the No More Deaths camp;

The Tucson Sector does not intentionally surveil water stations or the No More Deaths camp. Operations will be conducted in the general area if the need dictates.

U.S. Border Patrol contact the lawyers of No More Deaths and the Samaritans in the event of an issue with humanitarians in the field;

The Tucson Sector will contact an organization’s designated points of contact for issues pertaining to that organization’s or its members’ activities which become a concern for the Border Patrol. Any person arrested by the Border Patrol is advised of their right to remain silent and their right to communicate with an attorney if prosecution is contemplated.
No More Deaths and Samaritans lawyers have a direct line to the Tucson Sector Chief at all times, to expedite resolution of any conflicts when they occur;

The on-duty staff officer will be the point of contact for No More Deaths and Samaritans to discuss time sensitive conflicts requiring immediate attention. The duty officer can be contacted at (520) 748-3000. Issues of a non-immediate nature should be placed with the Community Relations Officer. Issues of a non-sensitive nature can be placed on the agenda for the quarterly meeting.

Medically trained U.S. Border Patrol agents be deployed in a timely manner when required;

The Tucson Sector is responsible for 262 miles of border consisting of rugged and remote terrain. The Tucson Sector’s Border Patrol Search Trauma and Rescue (BORSTAR) team consists of a cadre of agents trained as EMTs and paramedics. These agents respond to calls for assistance for those in distress. There are also more than 200 field agents trained as EMTs throughout the Sector who can perform these duties. The Tucson Sector is committed to increasing the number of field agents certified as EMTs. All interns are being trained as first responders.

Migrants turned over to the U.S. Border Patrol by humanitarians will not be directed to Operation Streamline or other prosecutorial initiatives;

Tucson Sector fully supports Operation Streamline and the other prosecutorial programs. These programs provide the deterrent effect which separates the alien from the smuggler and smuggling cycle. The Sector seeks to limit voluntary returns to those individuals with exigent circumstances, which is determined on a case by case basis.

A civilian review board be created to provide an opportunity for resident input into enforcement practices in their communities;

The Tucson Sector works closely with the communities in which we serve. The Tucson Sector currently holds four separate stakeholder liaison committees; the Tucson, Nogales, Naco, and Douglas-Willcox stations. These committees provide an opportunity for local residents and stakeholders to communicate directly with station management on issues and concerns and to provide input on the impact of operations. In turn, stakeholders communicate back to their communities on our operations.

There be a follow up meeting with the Arizona United States Attorney, the Tucson Sector Chief, and humanitarian representatives.

Specific issues need to be identified that would warrant a meeting with the United States Attorney for the District of Arizona.
Recommended Standards for Short Term Border Patrol Custody

Access to Water
Agents will provide potable water to each migrant immediately after contact. To prevent contamination and spread of disease, water will be distributed in a sanitary manner. Each migrant shall receive his or her own bottle (or other sanitary, personal receptacle) and always have unlimited access to water. Particular attention will be paid to ensure that pregnant women, children, the elderly and the ill have sufficient water. Every migrant shall be offered electrolyte replacement.

Potable water is available and provided to aliens while in our custody. Signs, in both English and Spanish, are posted in all processing areas notifying them to tell an agent if they are thirsty or hungry.

Women, children, the elderly, and those with special needs (medical conditions, etc.) will always have access to food and water while in our custody.

Access to Food
Agents will ask every migrant if they are aware of any food allergies and at a minimum provide basic electrolyte replacement snacks upon initial contact. Each migrant will receive at least one meal regardless of the time in detention or time of arrival and subsequent meals if held for more than eight hours. Meals shall be provided at least every five hours and be nutritious.

Agents shall not discard food belonging to migrants. Children and pregnant women shall be given additional access to food as desired. Mothers who are breast-feeding shall not be separated from their children.

Upon arrival at the processing center, all aliens are offered snack crackers and juice. Snacks are offered every four hours. Meals are provided three times a day unless a special request is made. Juveniles, toddlers, babies, and pregnant women are given additional meals and regular access to snacks, milk, or other food items.

Detainees with dietary restrictions are offered an alternative food choice with the option of a non-meat food item.

Processing Center Conditions
Searches shall always be conducted by an agent of the same gender as the migrant. Migrants shall have access to basic toiletries (ie Shampoo, deodorant, toothbrush and/or soap). Agents shall provide two clean blankets to each migrant and a safe and adequate
area to sleep. Migrants shall never be denied access to toilet facilities, diapers, and sanitary products.

Agents shall ensure that sanitation and temperatures in cells are maintained at acceptable and comfortable levels. The detention areas must be cleaned, repaired, and maintained to the same standard as the entire facility. All horizontal surfaces in the detention centers shall be damp-dusted daily with a germicidal solution. Waste containers shall be lined with plastic bags and the liner shall be changed daily. Holding cells shall be cleaned daily, kept at the same temperature as the rest of the processing center, and shall not exceed the maximum capacity as posted inside the facility.

There must be a quarterly sanitation inspection with a written report by a local or state sanitation official. The facility must be in compliance with corrections, restrictions, or conditions stipulated by this authority.

All aliens are thoroughly searched, whenever possible by an agent of the same gender, before being placed in a hold room. Toilets come equipped with toilet paper, soap, and sanitary napkins. With the exception of juveniles, showers are not normally provided to detainees unless they are detained for a prolonged period. Detainees are provided with clean blankets for their use while in our custody.

The holding cells are inspected routinely for evidence of tampering and for evidence of contraband and other potentially hazardous or dangerous materials. According to Border Patrol policy, the cells are cleaned and sanitized on a regular basis.

Access to Medical Treatment
Agents with at least Emergency Medical Technician certification shall conduct a field assessment prior to transportation to a processing facility. Each processing center shall have a licensed medical professional on site and on duty at all times.

Licensed medical professionals shall conduct a more comprehensive screening at the processing center of each migrant at no cost; migrants shall receive medical treatment for any and all injuries prior to removal, including all open wounds and blisters.

Agents shall never refuse medical treatment to any migrant, including access to hospital services. Prescriptions shall not be taken away, and will always be filled when ordered by a physician to maintain medical stability. Agents shall not interfere with medical procedures. Agents shall not verbally or physically harass migrants while they are receiving medical treatment.

Agents will pay close attention to pregnant women, children, the elderly and the ill to prevent any injuries. Pregnant women shall not be handcuffed after arrival at a hospital or clinic. Women in active labor shall not be handcuffed either en route to, or while in, a hospital.
Throughout the U.S. Border Patrol, all interns are being trained as first responders. An initial assessment is conducted in the field upon contact. Border Patrol Search Trauma and Rescue (BORSTAR) agents, Border Patrol field agent paramedics, or trained first responders are available to render treatment. Detainees needing medical attention are isolated from the general population. The appropriate medical attention is provided to those in visible need, those who advise us of an injury or illness, or those who display signs of an infectious disease. Any alien in need of or requesting medical attention is taken to an area hospital for treatment. In instances where the medical need is not visible, the alien is not forthcoming about being injured or sick, or if the alien refuses treatment, the Border Patrol cannot administer treatment.

Medications are secured separately with the detainees’ property. Medications prescribed in the United States, in a properly identified container, with the specific dosage indicated, may be self-administered under the supervision of a Border Patrol agent. Medications not properly labeled are disposed of in accordance with policy. If an alien is in need of medication the alien is transported to the hospital for evaluation and prescription.

**Safe Transportation**

Transportation shall be safe and take into special consideration those with additional health care concerns including but not limited to pregnant women, infants, and children.

Migrants shall not be crowded in vehicles; the number of migrant shall not exceed the vehicle manufacturer’s recommended number of passengers. Migrants will only be transported in vehicles with seatbelts provided for each passenger, and migrants shall not be shackled unless they have seatbelts.

Migrants shall only be shackled when being transported from one point to another, not in processing facilities. Transportation shall always be at a safe speed that takes into account road and weather conditions. Vehicles used for transporting migrants will be properly equipped, maintained, and operated.

Aliens may be transported in government service vehicles or through contract services. Vehicles must be properly equipped, maintained, and operated in accordance with seatbelt and safety regulations. Transport vehicles will always adhere to posted speed limits and to the safety and security of those in our custody.

Restraints are used in the transport and processing of aliens who demonstrate violent behavior, are criminal aliens, or at the discretion of the agent.

**Humane Repatriation & Deportation Practices**

Children shall never be separated from their family. A mother shall never be separated from her children, especially when she is breast feeding. Agents will ensure that family members are kept together during processing and removal. Unaccompanied minors shall be handed over to the care of their Consulate. DHS shall provide a daily report to all appropriate consulates that contains a complete list of all repatriated and deported
individuals, as well as the time and port of entry of removal. Removals shall never be conducted in the nighttime or at unsafe hours.

Identification documents, property and/or money or each migrant shall be securely labeled, stored, and returned upon removal. Medications shall always be returned to migrants. There will be no destruction of migrants’ property, including clothing. Each migrant shall be fully clothed in weather appropriate clothing when removed. No migrant shall be held or returned with wet clothes and agents will provide appropriate attire and/or shoes when necessary.

Tucson Sector makes every effort to keep family units together while in custody. Each processing facility has identified holding cells for families and unaccompanied minors.

Unaccompanied minors are processed in accordance with the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act (TVPRA) of 2005.

Only property belonging to detainees, including identification, money, valuables, and clothing are returned prior to repatriation. Abandoned property may be claimed at any time up to 30 days after abandonment.

Independent Oversight
A Community Advisory Board shall be established to ensure compliance with codified standards. The committee shall be staffed with medical and legal professionals and individuals who work in the area of human and migrant rights. Members shall have access to processing centers and Border Patrol/DRS facilities.

As stated in the Proposed Agreements, The Tucson Sector currently holds four separate stakeholder liaison committees; the Tucson, Nogales, Naco and Douglas-Wilcox stations. These committees provide an opportunity for local residents and stakeholders to communicate directly with station management on issues and concerns and to provide input on the impact of operations.

Human Rights
Agents shall provide an environment free from harassment, humiliation, physical, sexual, verbal, and emotional abuse. At no time will agents participate in torture or any form of abusive, cruel, inhumane or degrading treatment or punishment. All grievances shall be promptly and thoroughly investigated. Investigations and outcomes of these investigations should be made public in quarterly reports.

Tucson Sector mandates all employees treat people with respect, and in a courteous and professional manner. Any behavior that would constitute abuse or harassment of any type is not tolerated. A thorough investigation (by an independent agency) will be conducted and action will be taken where deemed appropriate.
Aliens and the public are encouraged and provided with the contact information to place a complaint regarding any part of their interaction with employees they do not feel was appropriate. Aliens in custody should immediately report any allegations to a supervisor, their Consulate, or to the Joint Intake Center.

Outcomes of reports of unprofessional or abusive treatment involving employees are subject to protection under the Privacy Act. Generally, the charges and circumstances will be made public only after a formal charge and prosecution by another law enforcement agency.

Legal Proceedings
Upon admission, migrants shall be informed verbally and in writing of their rights in a language they understand, including the right to petition for asylum, to see a judge or attorney, and their right to consular notification. Migrants shall be given the opportunity to make a phone call to legal counsel, their Consulate, and/or a family member.

When migrants are asked to sign any paperwork, the paperwork shall be in their native language to ensure that they understand what they are signing. No legal document shall be signed without consulting an attorney. Agents shall explain all paperwork content if requested to do so, and shall not threaten or coerce migrants into signing paperwork.

Aliens are advised of applicable administrative, criminal, and consular rights at multiple stages from apprehension through final processing. This is done in their native language. In cases where an agent is not proficient in a particular language, DHS has a contract with a translation service allowing for processing and advisals to be done in the alien’s native language. If an alien chooses to speak with their consulate, the consulate is notified and the alien is granted access to their consular official. Often times the consulate will conduct a telephonic interview with the alien. The consulate often times assists the alien with communicating with family members. Border Patrol policy also allows for telephonic access to be coordinated if an alien wishes to speak with an attorney. Agents explain all paperwork and processes in the alien’s native language or utilizing the translation service. Forms that are only available in the English or Spanish language are read to and explained to the alien in the alien’s native language by the agent or utilizing the translation service. Agents are not permitted to give legal advise or influence an alien’s decision. The improper use of threats or coercion by agents during these procedures is not tolerated.
Excellent report. Thank you.

- All SBPAs please continue to work with NPS when you encounter NGOs in the area and report your finding to the Park.
- We are working on a Wifi solution for SBPAs. The team will provide an update on the status.
- We will inquire about the possibility of getting a wifi solution to use at the station.
- WC's work out a relief schedule for Must be something you all agree will work. COMP Time is unfortunately our only option for compensation at this time. Continue to afford Camp agents this option. SBPAs assigned to camp have the authority to approve.

July 12, 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief Patrol Agent
Tucson Sector

FROM: Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
Ajo Station
Report Summary:
Manpower
Statistics for the Week
Vehicle Entries
Trends / Traffic Patterns
Significant Concerns / Problems Encountered
Recommendation
Conclusion

Manpower

Statistics for the Week
For the week of July 6, 2017 to, through July 12, 2017:

- 35 bundles
- 13 OVAR reports were completed

Vehicle Entries
No vehicle entries were known to have occurred during this reporting period.

Trends / Traffic Patterns
Welton Agents from have been setting up an approximately five miles west of the Two groups have been cut just east of (approximately 1 mile east of the The groups appear to be using this route due to avoid the that is set up near

Welton agents reported that groups have been crossing west of near the and heading north east in an attempt to evade detection from the They also reported that they have

They also stated the guide often times will have about

Traffic going through has slowed down. The temperatures remained high this week, which may account for the decline in apprehensions. has given us an advantage in cutting roads, response time, and apprehending aliens in hard to get places with service vehicles.

Thursday July 6
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results. Two rescue beacons activated during night time hours:

The rescue beacon resulted in the apprehension of an OTM who was a 911 caller earlier in the day.
The rescue beacon resulted in the apprehension of 1 adult male Mexican national.

Pima County Deputies discovered remains of two subjects in pass.

Welton Station began to set up an

Friday July 7
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results. Agents also checked or any outstanding traffic with negative results.

No More Deaths (NMD) humanitarian group contacted JIOC with info regarding a deceased subject in. Agents responded to begin search, but heavy storms approached the area and the search was called off until the storm passed.

Saturday July 8
A search was conducted utilizing agents and ATVs to search for deceased subject. While searching the area, agents came in contact with NMD group who were searching the area for the deceased subject. NMD stated that they had a pass to be in that particular area, however NPS stated that no passes were issued. NMD also drove their vehicle onto a road that was designated not to allow traffic. NPS was contacted to check the group for passes and cite them for driving onto an unauthorized road, but NPS could not respond.

Sunday July 9
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

Side airbags were deployed on while agent was cutting road driving 10 mph on. Agent declined medical/ EAP, and tow truck recovered vehicle.

Monday July 10
Agents observed a group of 7 backpackers near. Agents and ATVs responded resulting in the apprehension of 1, 6 TBS and 5 bundles of marijuana.

Tuesday July 11
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

Wednesday July 12
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

Significant Concerns/Problems Encountered

- The air-conditioning for several of the rooms is inoperable.
- Rattle snake encountered near door
- No tools for minor repairs

Actions Taken:

- Rooms 109, 110 and 111 were outfitted with portable air conditioning units, however room temps are still in the mid-80s to 90s.
- Pest control responded and removed snake and applied repellant to perimeter of FOB.
- Talked telephonically with SBPA and recommended a tool box be installed in garage. The tool box can have a lock and if agents need a tool, the duty SBPA can unlock the box, issue it, and ensure its return to the proper location.

Recommendation
Conclusion
The (b) (7)(E) and (b) (7)(E) appear to be pushing traffic a little further east.

There was very little activity during this rotation due to extremely hot weather.

Agents were cutting (b) (7)(E) in an effort to identify where alien traffic is crossing.

Thank you,

SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Ajo Station
Thank you for the quick response.
Can you please take a look at the paragraph below and let me know if there are any issues?

Thank you.

VR,

- From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
  Sent: Tuesday, August 31, 2010 2:05 PM
  To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
  Subject: FW: Request

Please see my below request... please let me know if you have any questions or concerns about what I am seeking. Thank you.

Could I ask for someone from your office to review the response to the Legal Proceedings proposal below (in blue and green) so we may include it into a response from the Chief to the humanitarian groups?

8/31/2010
Please run this by Gen Con asap.

Let's try this – My updates are in green below. You may need to schmooze my writing style and of course vet it through legal.

We have been asked for a more detailed response to the recommendations from the No More Deaths and Samaritans that we worked on a couple weeks back.

Below is the question and our answer. As the subject matter expert I need your input on how to respond and particularly to the second paragraph.
Thank you.

I made the changes. 
Is this okay to be sent out?
Can we email as a pdf?
Sir,

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you.

Respectfully,

Staff Attorney
U.S. Customs & Border Protection
Office of Associate Chief Counsel
4742 N. Oracle Road, Suite 111
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Thank you very much for all this help,
Response from (b) (7)(E)

Respectfully,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Border Patrol Agent
El Paso
Collections Management Unit (CMU)
8901 Montana Ave El Paso, TX 79925

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Negative information regarding NMD activity.
Alcon,

Please see below RFI. If you have anything pertaining to this please send it to RAU if no info is available please reply with negative response to CMU and cc and myself. Please send responses by COB Wednesday, June 21, 2017.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
El Paso (b) (7)(E)
(b) (7)(E)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Office
Cell

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From (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) On Behalf Of (b) (7)(E)
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 3:36 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RFI (b) (7)(E) SHORT TURNAROUND

Alcon,

Please see RFI below (SHORT TURNAROUND). USBP Headquarters is requesting an information related to humanitarian camps within the AOR similar to the No Mas Muertes Camp in the AOR.
Supervisors – Please reach out to your respective units for any pertinent information related to this RFI. If there is information, please send directly to the RAU. If no information is available, please reply with a negative response. Please send responses by COB Wednesday, June 21, 2017.

Critic – Please search for any social media on humanitarian camps that may be located within the AOR and send directly to the RAU. If no information is found, please reply with a negative response. Please send any information by COB Wednesday, June 21, 2017.

RAU – Please compile information into a product for dissemination by COB Thursday, June 22, 2017.

If there are any questions, please let us know. Thank you.

Respectfully,

Collections Management Unit
8901 Montana Ave
El Paso, TX 79925

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From (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 2:12 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (E)
Subject: FW: Humanitarian Camps RFI

Good Afternoon,

Please advise if there is any information indicating that any of these camps exist in the AOR. Thank you.
Subject: Humanitarian Camps RFI

Chiefs,

Please advise if there are any humanitarian camps similar to the No Mas Muertes Camps operating within your AOR. If so, please provide some background information on the organizations.

Attached, is a power point presentation with some background information on these types of groups.

V/R

Assistant Chief
Law Enforcement Operations Division
Ops West Sectors
U.S. Border Patrol Headquarters
From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 11:26 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: RFI: NGO Meetings
Attachments: NGO Talking Paper.doc; No More Deaths Talking Paper.doc

When you get back next week would like to get together to update you on the various meetings and the attached.

Hope you are enjoying the Canine program....

From (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, April 07, 2017 10:23 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: RFI: NGO Meetings

These documents were under secondary review after they were combined. See attached.

V/r,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Friday, April 07, 2017 7:18 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: RFI: NGO Meetings

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Not sure who is point with but I have not received the requested materials.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, April 04, 2017 4:45 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: RFI: NGO Meetings

Hi...
Can you please handle this request. It’s good for the Chief to know what we know.

Thank you,

CBP-OPA Arizona
Assistant Chief Patrol Agent
Field Communications Division
Tucson, Arizona

From: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, April 04, 2017 2:35 PM
To: [b] (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RFI: NGO Meetings

Next week there are 2 separate meetings that I will need issue/briefing papers in advance for the Chief.

I would need these by end of the day Thursday so I can add to them if needed and have them ready for the Chief before next week. I will also let you know if he is good with [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) attending.
This is more of an FYI and a reminder of what I need to complete also on Monday. I only could do so much today 😊
Border Patrol Agent - (b) (7)(E)
Tucson Sector - (b) (7)(E) – Ajo Station
Office: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
From: [Redacted]
Sent: Thursday, December 8, 2016 11:24 AM
To: [Redacted]

Subject: SOD SITREP 07DEC2016
Attachments: 07DEC16.docx

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**SOD Events and Seizures**

*07DEC2016*

- [Redacted] ISO (b) (7)(E) seized 269.85 pounds of marijuana near (b) (7)(E)
• SOD ISO (b) (7)(E) seized 87.50 pounds of marijuana and apprehended 4 IA mules near (b) (7)(E) All subjects were processed for prosecution (b) (7)(E) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

• SOD apprehended 2 IAs near (b) (7)(E)
• SOD apprehended 2 IAs near (b) (7)(E)
• SOD ISO (b) (7)(E) apprehended 2 IAs north of (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E)
Additional Stats/Information

- SOD conducted/participated in the following training: Team Technical Rescue, Paramedic, EMT Refresher, TSM, Rifle Course and Low Light Urban Movement.
- SOD provided Mobile Field Force and medical support to [b] (7)(E) checkpoint during a planned protest by No More Deaths. There were no protest related incidents at the checkpoint.
- SOD swept the 2016 CFC Championship Games with victories in the wheelbarrow race and pie eating contest.
*For accuracy, K9 and PK9 statistics are compiled monthly from Sector K9 Sit-Reps. Current stats through 10/29/2016

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WELL WELL WELL....soooo NMD is assisting IAs! Well what do you know!!! I do not believe it!!!

Thank you,

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
Tucson
Cell –
Desk

I received this from [b] (6), (b) (7)(E) to pass on to you. “No Mas Muertes” is assisting aliens passing through our AOR.
I will check with [b] (8), [b] (7)(C) to see if he has heard back from his ILU’s at the stations.

V/r

BPA

Foreign Operations Branch (FOB)

[b] (6), [b] (7)(C)

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From: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
Sent: Monday, February 12, 2018 8:13 AM
To: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
Subject: FW: February 5, 2018 and February 6, 2018 Sitrep

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From: [b] (6), [b] (7)(C)
Sent: Sunday, February 11, 2018 2:54 PM
To: TUSASID SITREP MAILING LIST [b] (7)(E) · • • [b] (6), [b] (7)(C), [b] (7)(E)
Subject: RE: February 5, 2018 and February 6, 2018 Sitrep

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Tucson Station [b] (7)(E)

Daily Report for: February 5, 2018 and February 6, 2018

Activities
- 46 Events
- 24 Interviewed
- 14 Juvys
- 4 Invoked

Significant Information:
- [b] (7)(E)
While interviewing, the following information was retrieved after consent to search his personal belongings and after further questioning:

POCKET TRASH:

- **Pocket Trash** stated that he had her full name written in a piece of paper because he would receive money under that name because he did not have an identification card to claim his wired money.
- **Owner of** stated that he witnessed approximately 200 migrants come and go with the purpose to cross into the United States.

No Name  
- **No Name** stated this is the number to his cousin in Phoenix, AZ.
- **No Name** claims this number belongs to a “girlfriend” of his.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
- **State** that he witnessed young volunteer students accompanied by a woman who he described to be approximately 50 years old with short hair, glasses, short height, dark skin complex and possibly Latina because she spoke fluent Spanish travel to El Sasabe from Arivaca, AZ to aid them with blankets food and water for their journey into the United States.
- **State** that they would give them a combs and dehydration pills with bandages for their wounds.
- **Also stated** that she travels with five young females and 2 males and states that one of them provide medical aid to wounds and blisters and checks their throats for infection.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
- **State** that “No Mas Muertes” gather approximately 40 immigrants at and do an awareness speech and gives them tips and advice to guide themselves further into the United States.
- **State** that they show them a big map pinpointing the Baboquivari Peak in case they get lost and also areas where they can find white buckets with food, water and blankets.
- **Stated** that No Mas Muertes travels to El Sasabe every Sundays and meets with the migrants by 10:00 A.M. and was able to pinpoint after showing him an aerial image of El Sasabe via Google Earth Maps.
Newly identified TTPS:
  - None to note.

**Please see attachments for any other pertinent information.**

Respectfully,

BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
TCA/TUS
(b) (7)(E)
Reading the and if true that NMD volunteers go to Sasabe every Sunday we can get with CBP officers to see what exactly they are taking south. Or BP can and check for the same. But who knows if that would fly with you know who......easiest would be for port officers to ID them. We can monitor crossings and co-travelers. Or if you have names and DoBs of

Any way to check POE crossings against known NMD members?

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
Tucson, Arizona

Tucson Station

ASID Activities
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POCKET TRASH:
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- (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) claims this is the number to his cousin in Phoenix, AZ.
- (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) claims this number belongs to a “girlfriend” of his.

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Newly identified TTPS:
- None to note.

**Please see attachments for any other pertinent information.**

Respectfully,

BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

TCA/TUS (b) (7)(E)
July 12, 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief Patrol Agent
Tucson Sector

FROM: Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
Ajo Station

SUBJECT: Situation Report 07/06/2017 to 07/12/2017

Report Summary:
Manpower
Statistics for the Week
Vehicle Entries
Trends / Traffic Patterns
Significant Concerns / Problems Encountered
Recommendation
Conclusion

Manpower
Ajo SBPA
Ajo Agents
ATV Agents (Modified)
San Diego MRT Agents (Modified)

Statistics for the Week
For the week of July 6, 2017 to, through July 12, 2017:

- x 3
- x 5 bundles
- were completed
Vehicle Entries
No vehicle entries were known to have occurred during this reporting period.

Trends / Traffic Patterns
Welton Agents from... have been setting up an... approximately five miles west of the... groups have been cut just east of... (approximately 1 mile east of the...)

Welton agents reported that groups have been crossing west of... and heading north east in an attempt to evade detection from the... They also reported that they have confirmed that the guide for the groups... has given us an advantage in cutting roads, response time, and apprehending aliens in hard to get places with service vehicles.

Thursday July 6
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results. Two rescue beacons activated during night time hours; the rescue beacon and the rescue beacon.

The rescue beacon resulted in the apprehension of an OTM who was a 911 caller earlier in the day, The rescue beacon resulted in the apprehension of 1 adult male Mexican national.

Pima County Deputies discovered remains of two subjects in Welton Station began to set up an

Friday July 7
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results. Agents also checked for any outstanding traffic with negative results.

No More Deaths (NMD) humanitarian group contacted with info regarding a deceased subject in. Agents responded to begin search, but heavy storms approached the area and the search was called off until the storm passed.

Saturday July 8
A search was conducted utilizing agents and ATVs to search for deceased subject. While searching the area, agents came in contact with NMD group who were searching the area for the deceased subject. NMD stated that they had a pass to be in that particular area, however NPS stated that no passes were issued. NMD also drove their vehicle onto a road that was designated not to allow traffic NPS was contacted to check the group for passes and cite them for driving onto an unauthorized road, but NPS could not respond.

Sunday July 9
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.
Side airbags were deployed on Agent while agent was cutting road driving 10 mph on Agent declined medical/EAP, and tow truck recovered vehicle.

**Monday July 10**

Agent observed a group of 7 backpackers near Agents and ATVs responded resulting in the apprehension of 1, 6 TBS and 5 bundles of marijuana.

**Tuesday July 11**

Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

**Wednesday July 12**

Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

**Significant Concerns/Problems Encountered**

- The air-conditioning for several of the rooms is inoperable.
- Rattle snake encountered near door
- No tools for minor repairs

**Actions Taken:**

- Rooms 109, 110 and 111 were outfitted with portable air conditioning units, however room temps are still in the mid-80s to 90s.
- Pest control responded and removed snake and applied repellant to perimeter of
- Talked telephonically with SBPA and recommended a tool box be installed in garage. The tool box can have a lock and if agents need a tool, the duty SBPA can unlock the box, issue it, and ensure its return to the proper location.

**Recommendation**

1. A would be highly effective in this area. Most of the roads are too narrow or rough to drive

2. Using a grader to smooth out the will increase our efficiency to react to traffic, and decrease the damage, wear and tear, and faulty air bag deployments that happen quite often on these roads. Training up agents on the use of a grader and allowing agents to maintain the road will help keep ideal road conditions and improve morale as well. A grader can be securely stored at the
3. Wifi. If there was wifi [b](7)(E) agents would be able to communicate with their families and take care of personal matters that they are not able to due to poor phone service and no internet connection. Simply not having wifi at [b](7)(E) is the agents’ number one complaint.

4. [b](7)(E) historically has to wait extended period of time to be relieved during [b](7)(E) and get paid comp time. The oncoming SBPA for the next rotation can pre-assign an agent to come in [b](7)(E) early to ensure [b](7)(E) is relieved on time.

Conclusion
The [b](7)(E) appear to be pushing traffic a little further east.

There was very little activity during this rotation due to extremely hot weather.

Agents were cutting [b](7)(E) in an effort to identify where alien traffic is crossing.

Thank you,

SBPA [b](6), [b](7)(C)
Ajo Station
Report Summary:
Manpower
Statistics for the Week
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Significant Concerns / Problems Encountered
Conclusion

Manpower

Statistics for the Week
For the week of August 17, 2017 to, through August 23, 2017:

- x 6
- x 95.45 lbs
- 10 OVAR reports were completed

Vehicle Entries
No vehicle entries were known to have occurred during this reporting period.

Trends / Traffic Patterns
Traffic going through the AOR still remains slow. Minimal groups were located on agents’ cuts and there were very few No groups were spotted with during the camp rotation.

Intel was received on the last day of camp (8/23/2017) that groups are starting to cross daily in . Group size is unknown at this point but it is believed they will be crossing in traveling north to area and then East/Northeast towards crossing near and then into the

Thursday August 17
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

Contract personnel serviced the generator. It is not functioning properly and they will need to conduct further maintenance.

Friday August 18
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.
Contract personnel serviced the east generator.

Keypad for the door near office was fixed. (Needed new batteries.)

**Saturday August 19**
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

ATV’s and swings worked a group off. Group got away heading hard east towards.

Agents located a possible better location for.
-Parking spot along.
- Site is approximately from road to site.

**Sunday August 20**
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

Agents responded to a 911 call and apprehended 2 subjects, they also picked up another subject along the road while traveling to the area of the 911 call. Sign was verified that this was the group worked the day prior off the events were merged.

**Monday August 21**
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

ATV accident and standdown.

The water faucets, sinks, toilets, etc. stopped working at camp. SOS was notified. CTR maintenance responding.

**Tuesday August 22**
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

Agents encountered NGO (No more Deaths) along completed.

**Wednesday August 23**
Agents responded to the The 2 subjects were part of a previous 911 call.

Agents responded to 95.45lbs.

**Significant Concerns/Problems Encountered**
- The generator system is not functioning properly. is currently running on 1 generator (East).
- The solar system is not functioning properly.
- Water stopped working on 8/21/2017
Actions Taken:
- SBPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(E) and SOS (b) (7)(E) were notified electronically of the power issues and water issues. Work orders were generated.
- Contractor fixed water problem 8/21/2017
- Contractors are scheduled to come to (b) (7)(E) on 8/28 to look at the generator/solar system.

Conclusion
The (b) (7)(E) appears to be effective, due to the shift in traffic further west.

NGO’s continue to resupply illicit groups travelling through our AOR.

Contact was made with (b) (7)(E) during the week, and they also report a lack of detectable traffic within their AOR.

Agents were cutting (b) (7)(E) in an effort to identify where alien traffic is crossing.

Agents located a new and possibly better location for (b) (7)(E)
- Parking spot along (b) (7)(E)
- Site is approximately (b) (7)(E) from road to site.
1. **DATE OF INCIDENT:** 6/15/2017  
   **LOCATION OF INCIDENT:** Tucson, AZ  
   **TIME OF INCIDENT:** 9:15 AM  
   **REPORTED TO COMMISSIONER’S SITUATION ROOM VIA PHONE ON:**  
   **DATE:** 6/15/2017  
   **TIME:** 2:04 PM  
   **TO:**  

2. **REPORTING OFFICE:** U.S. Border Patrol  
   **DFO/SECTOR:** Tucson Sector  
   **POE/STATION:** Tucson Station  
   **PERSON MAKING REPORT:**  
   **OFFICE PHONE:**  
   **CELL PHONE:**  
   **FAX NUMBER:**  
   **POINT OF CONTACT:**  
   **OFFICE PHONE:**  
   **CELL PHONE:**  
   **FAX NUMBER:**  

3. **TYPE OF INCIDENT:** ☑ ON DUTY  
   **Category**  
   **Type**  
   **Sub Type**  
   **Facility Disruptions**  
   **Bomb Threat**  

4. **SYNOPSIS:** (USE CONTINUATION SHEET IF NECESSARY):  
   **SEIZURE TYPE:**  
   **QUANTITY:**  
   **VALUE:**  
   **NUMBER OF ARRESTS:**  
   **MALE:**  
   **FEMALE:**  
   **CITIZENSHIP:**  

5. **NOTIFICATIONS MADE:**  
   1. ☑ TELEPHONIC REPORT TO COMMISSIONER’S SITUATION ROOM  
      **DATE:** 6/15/2017  
      **TIME:** 2:04 PM  
   2.  
   3.  

6. **INJURIES/FATALITIES:**  
   **NAME AND EXTENT OF INJURY**  
   **AGENT**  
   **EAP ADVISED**  
   1.  
   2.  
   **NAME OF FATALITIES:**  
   1.  
   2.  

7. **NATIONAL TARGETING CENTER NUMBERS:**  

8. **MEDIA INTEREST EXPECTED:**  

9. **RELATED INCIDENTS:**
**DATE OF INCIDENT:** 6/15/2017  
**LOCATION OF INCIDENT:** Tucson, AZ  
**TIME OF INCIDENT:** 9:15 AM  
**SIR NUMBER:** (b) (7)(E)

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Thanks dude.

T4,
He went to the ____(b) (7)(E)____ to get the report.

Correct, still waiting

I am guessing the highlighted portion was unavailable, is that correct?

- On December 12, 2017, DISRUPT agents met with Fish and Wildlife Officer [b](6), [b](7)(C) at the Ajo Border Patrol Station. Officer [b](6), [b](7)(C) was informed of [b](7)(E) [b](6), [b](7)(C), [b](7)(E) [b](6), [b](7)(E) [b](6), [b](7)(E). [b](7)(E) Officer [b](6), [b](7)(C) stated that [b](6), [b](7)(C) was a well-known No Mas Muertes/No More Deaths volunteer. He further stated that No Mas Muertes/No More Deaths volunteers often stay at The Barn for extended periods of time. Officer [b](6), [b](7)(C) stated that [b](6), [b](7)(C) has also been seen there. When asked if he has ever encountered [b](6), [b](7)(C) on the \[b](7)(E)\[b](7)(E)\[b](7)(E) he stated no due to \[b](7)(E)\[b](7)(E)\[b](7)(E) See Fish and Wild life report XXXX. 

Special Operations Supervisor
Tucson Sector Office
I forgot to email you the time line. My bad.
Subject: FW: Tucson Daily Report

From: OCC
Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2017 5:38 PM
To: OCC

Subject: Tucson Daily Report

From: OCC
Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2017 5:38 PM
To: FALK, SCOTT K (OCC), HIGHSWINTH, ANNMARIE (OCC)
Cc: OCC

Subject: Tucson Daily Report
Yuma’s Report is below.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) OCC
Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2017 4:58 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Yuma Daily Report
Respectfully,

(A)SBP Border Community Liaison
Tucson Sector Border Patrol
Field Communications Division
Direct Line: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Office Line: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Follow us on Twitter @CBPArizona
10-4, I am away from desk right now but should be able to provide something today or first thing in morning.

Please send TCA OPS Tasking the NGO handbook with the general description of the “aid” and activist organizations.

Chiefs:

Would you please advise with a POC for the following RFI?

I figured it would go to but didn't want to bypass you as it's a high level paper for S1/C1.

Thanks

ASC, Ops West Sectors
Can you point me in the right direction of the POC in TCA who would be able to answer the following:

- explain the general lay down of aid groups and what they do;
- how we tolerate/work with them;
- what our enforcement posture is with places like NMD where I understand there is a private property issue

Thanks.

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 1:29 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Water Stations Additional Info

Let me know if u need anything from here. And [redacted] today so I could get you more info asap.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

ASC, Ops West Sectors

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 6:24:09 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Water Stations Additional Info

Let me know if you need any help.

V/R
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Assistant Chief
Law Enforcement Operation Directorate
U.S. Border Patrol Headquarters

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 11:22:10 AM
To: OPS WEST SECTORS
Subject: Water Stations Additional Info
The issue paper needs to:

- explain the general lay down of aid groups and what they do;
- how we tolerate/work with them;
- what out enforcement posture is with places like NMD where I understand there is a private property issue;
- and emphasize that border security is paramount and we will operate in border areas with that principle first.

S1/C1 are looking for larger context of the issues
MEMORANDUM FOR:  
Chief Patrol Agent  
Tucson Sector  

FROM:  
Supervisory Border Patrol Agent  
Ajo Station  

SUBJECT:  
Situation Report 08/17/2017 to 08/23/2017  

Report Summary:  
Manpower  
Statistics for the Week  
Vehicle Entries  
Trends / Traffic Patterns  
Significant Concerns / Problems Encountered  
Conclusion  

Manpower  

Statistics for the Week  
For the week of August 17, 2017 to, through August 23, 2017:  

Vehicle Entries  
No vehicle entries were known to have occurred during this reporting period.  

Trends / Traffic Patterns  
Traffic going through the AOR still remains slow. Minimal groups were located on agents’ cuts and there were very few No groups were spotted with during the
Intel was received on the last day of August 2017 (8/23/2017) that groups are starting to cross daily in the area. Group size is unknown at this point but it is believed they will be crossing in traveling north to area and then East/Northeast towards crossing near and then into the

**Thursday August 17**
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

Contract personnel serviced the generator. It is not functioning properly and they will need to conduct further maintenance.

**Friday August 18**
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

Contract personnel serviced the east generator.

Keypad for the door near office was fixed. (Needed new batteries.)

**Saturday August 19**
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

worked a group off Group gotaway heading hard east towards

Agents located a possible better location for Parking spot along
- Site is approximately hike from road to site.

**Sunday August 20**
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

Agents responded to a 911 call and apprehended 2 subjects, they also picked up another subject along the road while traveling to the area of the 911 call. was verified that this was the group worked the day prior off the were merged.

**Monday August 21**
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

ATV accident and standdown.

The water faucets, sinks, toilets, etc. stopped working at was notified. CTR maintenance responding.
Tuesday August 22
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.
Agents encountered NGO (No more Deaths) along ___completed.

Wednesday August 23
Agents responded to the ___completed.
The 2 subjects were part of a previous 911 call.

Agents responded to ___completed.

Significant Concerns/Problems Encountered
- The generator system is not functioning properly. ___completed.
- The solar system is not functioning properly.
- Water stopped working on 8/21/2017

Actions Taken:
- SBPA ___completed. and SOS ___completed. were notified electronically of the power issues and water issues. Work orders were generated.
- Contractor fixed water problem 8/21/2017
- Contractors are scheduled to come to ___completed. on 8/28 to look at the generator/solar system.

Conclusion
The ___completed. appears to be effective, due to the shift in traffic further ___completed.
NGO’s continue to resupply illicit groups travelling through our AOR.

Contact was made with ___completed. during the week, and they also report a lack of detectable traffic within their AOR.

Agents were cutting ___completed. in an effort to identify where alien traffic is crossing.

Agents located a new and possibly better location for ___completed.
- Parking spot along ___completed.
- Site is approximately ___completed. hike from road to site.
July 12, 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief Patrol Agent
Tucson Sector

FROM: Supervisory Border Patrol Agent
Ajo Station

SUBJECT: Situation Report 07/06/2017 to 07/12/2017

Report Summary:
Manpower
Statistics for the Week
Vehicle Entries
Trends / Traffic Patterns
Significant Concerns / Problems Encountered
Recommendation
Conclusion

Manpower

Statistics for the Week
For the week of July 6, 2017 to, through July 12, 2017:

Vehicle Entries
No vehicle entries were known to have occurred during this reporting period.

Trends / Traffic Patterns
Situation Report 07/06/2017 to 07/12/2017

Welton Agents from have been setting up an approximately five miles west of the Two groups have been cut just east of (approximately 1 mile east of the site). The groups appear to be using this route due to avoid the site that is set up near

Welton agents reported that groups have been crossing west of near the and heading north east in an attempt to evade detection from the They also reported that they have intel confirming that

They also stated the guide often times will have

Traffic going thru has slowed down. The temperatures remained high this week, which may account for the decline in apprehensions. Sending to camp has given us an advantage in cutting roads, response time, and apprehending aliens in

Thursday July 6
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results. Two rescue beacons activated during night time hours: rescue beacon and the rescue beacon.

The rescue beacon resulted in the apprehension of an OTM who was a 911 caller earlier in the day.

The rescue beacon resulted in the apprehension of 1 adult male Mexican national.

Pima County Deputies discovered remains of two subjects in

Welton Station began to set up an

Friday July 7
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results. Agents also checked for any outstanding traffic with negative results.

No More Deaths (NMD) humanitarian group contacted with info regarding a deceased subject in Agents responded to begin search, but heavy storms approached the area and the search was called off until the storm passed.

Saturday July 8
A search was conducted utilizing agents and ATVs to search for deceased subject. While searching the area, agents came in contact with NMD group who were searching the area
for the deceased subject. NMD stated that they had a pass to be in that particular area, however NPS stated that no passes were issued. NMD also drove their vehicle onto a road that was designated not to allow traffic. NPS was contacted to check the group for passes and cite them for driving onto an unauthorized road, but NPS could not respond.

**Sunday July 9**
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

Side airbags were deployed while agent was cutting road driving 10 mph on Agent declined medical/EAP, and tow truck recovered vehicle.

**Monday July 10**
Agents observed a group of 7 backpackers near Agents and ATVs responded resulting in the apprehension of 1, 6 TBS and 5 bundles of marijuana.

**Tuesday July 11**
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

**Wednesday July 12**
Agents made cuts along popular routes of travel with negative results.

**Significant Concerns/Problems Encountered**
- The air-conditioning for several of the rooms is inoperable.
- Rattle snake encountered near door
- No tools for minor repairs

**Actions Taken:**
- Rooms were outfitted with portable air conditioning units, however room temps are still in the mid-80s to 90s.
- Pest control responded and removed snake and applied repellant to perimeter of.
- Talked telephonically with SBP and recommended a tool box be installed in garage. The tool box can have a lock and if agents need a tool, the duty SBP can unlock the box, issue it, and ensure its return to the proper location.

**Recommendation**
1. Air would be highly effective in this area. Most of the roads are too narrow or rough to drive the. The of the hinders it from . With a agents can Scouts are very familiar with that agents Another advantage is that if the traffic moves beyond the.

There are numerous roads and trails that a can enter to gain tactical advantage that is unable to due to The
Conclusion

The (b) (7)(E) and (b) (7)(E) appear to be pushing traffic a little further (b) (7)(E).

There was very little activity during this rotation due to extremely hot weather.

Agents were cutting (b) (7)(E) in an effort to identify where alien traffic is crossing.
From: [redacted]
Sent: FRIDAY, JULY 21, 2017 10:00 AM
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: RE: Wilderness incursion

Good morning all,

I know [redacted] has already spoken to Officer [redacted] but I will outline what I found in my calls in case there is anything new.

Encounter:
- 2 of the 3 were from the night before with the [redacted]
- [redacted], [redacted], [redacted], [redacted]
  - None of them had permits to be on the [redacted] All occupants were issued warnings for trespassing.
- A criminal complaint is being filed against the driver for operating a motor vehicle in wilderness.
- The subjects were escorted off of the Refuge after the encounter.

After Action Items:
- [redacted] is asking for an I-44 from our agent that was on scene with the group [redacted] to clarify statements that were made.
Thank you,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Public Lands Liaison Agent
U.S. Border Patrol
Ajo, Arizona

Thank you,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Public Lands Liaison Agent
U.S. Border Patrol
Ajo, Arizona

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 2:06 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (7)(E)
Subject: RE: Damage to Government Property

Sir,

I am currently waiting for the report from Refuge Officer (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

At approximately 1300 hours (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) encountered three subjects from No More Deaths in the designated wilderness area. They were operating this vehicle well inside of the designated wilderness area. Refuge Officer (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is responding to this call as well so his report from last night may be delayed. As soon as I get it I will extract the necessary information and pass it on.

Thank you,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Public Lands Liaison Agent
U.S. Border Patrol
Ajo, Arizona

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Green Valley-Sahuarita Samaritans

The following information was collected from the named organization’s website.
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Facebook Green Valley Samaritans: https://www.facebook.com/groups/664786850266517/
Twitter: None found

POC: [b] [6], [b] [7][C] and Pastor [b] [6], [b] [7][C]
Email: General inquiries [b] [7][E]
Phone: [b] [6], [b] [7][C]
Address: The Good Shepherd Church 17750 S La Canada, Sahuarita, AZ 85629

Mission:
The Green Valley-Sahuarita Samaritans is an organization comprising people of conscience who offer humanitarian aid to migrants in the Arizona-Sonora borderlands.

Purpose:
To establish a Green Valley-Sahuarita Samaritan group that would work independently and as a complement to the Tucson Samaritans

Activities:
Desert searches, Water drops, El Comedor (operated by Kino Border Initiative) once a week, visit courthouse once a week to witness Operation Streamline, and functions as a writers group to produce letters/articles/columns to local, hometown, and national media.

Joint Endeavors:
Green Valley-Sahuarita Samaritans has not had any direct interactions with USBP. They did receive the MMP briefing and they regularly encourage groups to visit with USBP.

Areas of Concern:
None to address
**Last Updated:**
January 19, 2017

**Interactions:**

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