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ICE arrests 75 in North Texas and Oklahoma areas during 4day operation targeting criminal aliens and immigration fugitives





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DALLAS — Federal officers with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) arrested 75 criminal aliens and immigration violators in North Texas and Oklahoma during a four-day enforcement action, which ended Thursday.

Aliens arrested during this operation are from the following seven countries: Mexico (58), Guatemala (6), Honduras (6), El Salvador (2), Kenya (1), Ecuador (1) and Vietnam (1).

Most of the aliens targeted by ERO deportation officers during this operation had prior criminal histories that included convictions for the following crimes: drug possession, assault, dangerous drugs, illegal entry, larceny, marijuana possession, possessing a weapon, failure to identify and identity theft.

The following are criminal summaries of four offenders arrested in North Texas and Oklahoma during this operation:

- June 17 ICE officers arrested a Honduran man who was arrested for first-degree rape of a minor child. He remains in ICE custody pending removal proceedings.
- June 20 ICE officers arrested a Mexican man who was convicted of two counts of possession of intent to deliver a controlled substance and sentenced to 10 years confinement. He remains in ICE custody pending removal proceedings.

"The operations that our ICE officers perform provide a vital public-safety benefit to local communities by removing criminal aliens from the streets," said Marc J. Moore, field office director of ERO Dallas. "These operations also help maintain the integrity of our immigration laws."

The Dallas area of responsibility includes 128 counties in North Texas and Oklahoma.

All of the targets in this operation are amenable to arrest and removal under the U.S. Immigration and Nationality Act.

ICE deportation officers carry out targeted enforcement operations daily nationwide as part of the agency's ongoing efforts to protect the nation, uphold public safety, and protect the integrity of our immigration laws and border controls.

These operations involve existing and established Fugitive Operations Teams.

During targeted enforcement operations, ICE officers frequently encounter other aliens illegally present in the United States. These aliens are evaluated on a case-by-case basis, and, when appropriate, they are arrested by ICE officers.

Editor's Note: The arrest statistics provided in this news release represent preliminary data that has been manually reported to ICE headquarters. Official numbers can vary slightly from preliminary data.

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