

Department of Homeland Security  
U.S. Customs and Border Protection  
Office of Professional Responsibility

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF: TEXAS

COUNTY OF: EL PASO

I, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) who after being duly sworn, provide the following statement:

I am Special Agent (SA) (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) currently assigned to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Office of Professional Responsibility, El Paso, Texas (OPR/EP). On December 26, 2018, Senior Special Agent (SSA) (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) and I conducted a second interview of (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) at the Border Patrol (BP) Station in Alamogordo, NM. The purpose of the interview was to clarify information from (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) first interview which was obtained after the death of his eight year old son Felipe Gomez-Alonzo, while in BP custody on December 24, 2018. The interview was video and audio recorded with the (b)(7)(E) system and assigned authentication code (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) provided the following information:

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c) was asked when he first noticed his son became ill, responding "Here or in Guatemala?" SSA (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) inquired if his child was already ill in Guatemala. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated that his son was well when leaving Guatemala, during the course of travel to the U.S., when he surrendered to immigration at the border, and the two nights they spent also at the border (Paso Del Norte Port of Entry Processing Center - PDT). [Agent's Note: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated to have departed Guatemala on Friday (December 14, 2018), traveled for a period of five days surrendering to Immigration authorities on Tuesday (December 18, 2018), and to have been in Immigration custody for approximately eight days (as of December 26, 2018).]

While at PDT, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) indicated his son was content and played with other children in the cell. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) reported his son was eating well and shared that his son was tricky, because after receiving his meal, he would get back in line to receive an additional one. Unsure of the exact time, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated it was approximately 1:00 a.m. (December 23, 2018) when he was transferred to another location (1997 U.S. 54, Alamogordo, NM 88310 BP Station) to complete his paperwork. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) detailed that his son was well, sleepy, slept, woke-up at daylight, asked if he (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) had already signed the paperwork and if they were leaving. Additionally, the child was given a burrito and juice, which he ate. On mid-day, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated that his son was given noodles and a juice, which he also ate, and shortly after the BP Agent (BPA) offered his son more noodles and ate again. [Agent's Note: After being processed, they were transferred to the Alamogordo Highway (Hwy) 70 checkpoint pending placement approval.]

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c) explained that approximately at 3:00 a.m. (December 24, 2018), his son started complaining of a sore throat and nose. When dawn, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated his son had a fever and had not notified the Border Patrol Agents (BPAs) because his son was sleeping. At approximately 8:00 a.m., his son woke-up, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) advised the BPA that his son was very sick and had a fever and cough. BPA advised (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) he was going to take them to the hospital, Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center (GCRMC) located at 2669 N. Scenic Dr., Alamogordo, NM 88310, to have his son checked.

At the GCRMC, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated that the BPA spoke to the doctor, because he couldn't communicate with them due to language barrier, and that his son's illness was checked. After the child's vitals were taken, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) was told (by the medical staff) his son had a slight temperature and that it would take approximately a week for his son to feel better and was given some drops by mouth and nose. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) reported that approximately at 2:00 p.m. they were released from the hospital and his son felt slightly better. Upon arrival to the HWY 70 BP checkpoint, the child asked for cookies and juice (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) indicated that thanks to the BPAs, his son was given cookies and juice, which he ate. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated that the BPAs told him it was best for him to stay close to them and if anything would happen to yell at them or to knock on the door and let them know, telling him they were there to help him. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) pointed out that the BPAs kept checking up on his son like every 5 to 6 minutes, and that the agents could see his son feeling better.

At approximately 4:00 p.m. or 5:00 p.m. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated his son vomited. After vomiting, the child expressed to (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) to be feeling much better and noticed his son appeared to be fine. BPAs picked up the vomit, told (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) not to worry that they would pick it up, gave his son a toy, and told him his son was going to get better. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) asked his son why he did not tell him he wanted to vomit so he could have taken him to the restroom, the son sighed and stated it just happened (vomited only once). (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) expressed gratitude towards the BPAs for going to the pharmacy and paying out of pocket for his son's two liquid form medications. BPAs read what the dose was for the child's age and administered only one dose of each of the two prescribed medications at approximately 6:00 p.m., according to (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) and was told it would be taken every eight hours. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated that his son played with the toy, fell asleep for approximately 15 to 20 minutes, and when his son woke up he started feeling pain on his right side of the stomach and mid chest area. Shortly after, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated that his son complained again stating he could not stand the pain, it hurt a lot, and that all his body was aching pointing and holding the right side of his stomach and mid chest area. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated that his son asked him to please hold the side of his stomach and when he did, he felt it hard. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) knocked on the cell door and told the BPAs, he thought his son was going to die and that he couldn't stand the pain. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) was told not to worry and that they would take him to the hospital again. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) narrated he hugged his son and that his son had overheard the BPA and asked him "What did he say?" (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) responded he was going to be taken to the hospital again. The child replied "Ok, that's good, they will get me to feel

better, if not I am going to die.” (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) recalls him telling his son “you might die son” and his son replying “maybe dad, I can’t stand it.” (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated he held his son’s hands and were cold, also he felt his forehead and nose to be cold, and saw his lips dark. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) carried his son out and put him in the back seat of the vehicle. When (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) put his son in the vehicle to put the seatbelt on, his son became limp and his head rolled forward. Blood came out of his mouth and nose. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated he told the BPA “My son passed away,” at approximately 10:00 p.m. and that the BPA turned on the siren, quickly leaving directly to the hospital. Upon arrival, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated medical personnel was waiting for them outside the hospital. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated that his son’s pulse was checked and he believed his son still had a pulse because his son was rushed inside the hospital. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) waited with the BPA in the lobby area of the hospital approximately an hour, until the specialist told him his son had died and that they did not know what happened, but that they were going to check to see what happened. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated he requested to see his son and was taken by the BPA. [Agent’s Note: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) did not mention son’s sharp stomach pain to the right side of his stomach and mid part of his chest area to medical staff, because son had already passed away. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) was asked by SSA (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) how long after his son vomited did he feel the pain, which he stated it was approximately half an hour after.]

[Agent’s Note: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) was asked if at any given time he had declined medical treatment for his son, verbally or in writing, stating “no.” In addition, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) expressed his gratitude for the treatment he and his son had received from the BPAs. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated he told the BPAs that he did not blame anyone, because his son died in that manner. Further stating that they (BPAs) had supported him (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) a lot and had taken him and his son to the hospital, doing everything possible for his son, including purchasing his son’s medication out of pocket.]

At the conclusion of this second interview, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) provided Medical Release authorization on behalf of his son Felipe GOMEZ-Alonzo.

The contents of this statement are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c) by:

[Redacted signature]

before me this day, Monday, December 31, 2018

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

Special Agent  
U.S. Customs and Border Protection  
Office of Professional Responsibility

Initials (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Date 12-31-18

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(b)(6);(b)(7)(c) commenced narrating that after he and his son were moved to another cell, his son told him his throat and nose were hurting at approximately 3:00 a.m. (December 24, 2018), and thought he was catching a cold. In the morning, when the officers (Border Patrol Agents- BPAs) bring the food, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) explained, he told his son he (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) would notify the BPAs to take him to the hospital. When the BPAs went to the door, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) informed the BPAs that his son was not feeling well and had a fever. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated that the most gracious officer (BPAs) arrived and advised they were taking them to the hospital. At the hospital, Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center (GCRMC) located at 2669 N. Scenic Dr., Alamogordo, NM 88310, the nurse informed (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) that his son was fine, just issues with his throat and nose, that they would get him better, and prescribed medicine. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) described his son to be laying on the hospital bed with no signs of dying. After a few hours, at approximately 2:00 p.m. (December 24, 2018) they were released from the hospital.

After arriving at the checkpoint, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) indicated that his son laid on the bed and he offered his son something to drink, which he drank two juices. [Agent's Note: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) and his son were being detained at the Alamogordo Highway (Hwy) 70 BP checkpoint pending placement approval.] A few moments later, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) reported that his son complained of having pain to his abdomen and was pushing on the

right side of his stomach. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated he thought his son would be fine. At approximately 6:00 p.m., the BPAs arrived with his son's prescription, and administered the two doses (one from each medication) and was told it would be taken every eight hours. After the medication, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) reported that his son's fever decreased and his son stated "Dad, my fever is going down," but continued to complain of pain to his abdomen and asked his father why it was hurting. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated he then felt his son's abdomen, where the son showed him it hurt, and a few minutes later his son vomited. After vomiting, his son seemed to feel better and asked for crackers. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated he gave his son three or four crackers and the BPA moved them; BPA stated "stay here, if something happens with your son, let us know." A while later, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) notified the BPAs that he felt his son might die because his head felt cold, his nose and hands were cold, and was not sure what was happening with his son.

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c) re-counted to have told his son "I think we're going back to the hospital again, because you're going to die." He reported that his son stated "Yes, father I can no longer stand it; I think I'm going to die. We won't be making it to our destination." (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) replied "What luck, perhaps the doctors can help you; we're going to take you back to the hospital." His son responded "Ok." As they waited for the BPAs, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated his son kept asking what time were they going, indicating to have told him it would be soon. When the BPA arrived, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated he carried his son into the vehicle and his son seemed fine. In the vehicle, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated blood came out of his mouth and nose and right then, his son died.

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated he did not understand the sudden death of his son, as days prior he was playing with other children, talking, laughing, and suddenly had a headache, fever and just started feeling sick that same day (December 24, 2018). (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated to have traveled by bus from Guatemala to the U.S. border and his son was not feeling ill. During their travel, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) and his son would buy food and use the restroom as needed, wherever the bus stopped. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated he does not blame the food they ate, as they would usually share the food, but thinks his son's spirit was broken as most ill people die within few days and his son died immediately. [Agent's Note: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated to have departed Guatemala on Friday (December 14, 2018), traveled for a period of five days surrendering to Immigration authorities on Tuesday (December 18, 2018), spent two days in one location (Paso Del Norte Port of Entry Processing Center-PDT), two more days in another location (BP El Paso Sector), and lastly transferred to the last location (BP checkpoint Alamogordo, NM) where they were processed.] (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated that his final destination was Tennessee, where his cousins live.

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c) was grateful that the U.S. Immigration authorities received him and his son well and added that the Immigration officers welcomed him to the U.S. even though he was here illegally. He expressed his gratitude and stated to be here out of necessity, nothing more. Furthermore, (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) stated they arrived very fast at the hospital when taken the first time, adding the BPA was very kind, as well as the officers (BPAs) along the way. His son was given a toy, and stated his son was very happy and hugged his new toy. Approximately ten minutes later, is when he vomited. (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

stated he was grateful for the BPAs that attended him and his son and conducted themselves well.

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)** provided OPR/EP SAs consent both orally and in writing to his son's medical documentation, by signing a CBP Medical Release form.

The contents of this statement are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)** by:

before me this day, Wednesday, January 2, 2019

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**

Special Agent  
U.S. Customs and Border Protection  
Office of Professional Responsibility

**From:** (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) on behalf of USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL  
**Sent:** Mon, 24 Dec 2018 23:06:59 +0000  
**To:** BOYD, VALERIE S;FLANAGAN, PATRICK S; (b)(6);(b)(7)(c);HASTINGS,  
BRIAN S;HUDSON, RICHARD M;LUCK, SCOTT A (USBP);PROVOST, CARLA (USBP); (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
**Cc:** OPSCENTRALSECTORS  
**Subject:** (Notice + Close-out) EPT/ALA Illness, Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe

CoS, DCoS, SA,

El Paso Sector reports that on December 18, 2018, at about 1300 hours, Felipe GOMEZ-Alonzo and his father entered illegally with a group of people approximately 3.29 miles west of the Paso Del Norte Port of Entry in El Paso, Texas by crossing the Rio Grande River. On December 23, 2018, at about 2317 hours, Felipe GOMEZ and his father were transferred to the Alamogordo Border Patrol Station for processing. After being processed, they were transferred to the Alamogordo Highway 70 Checkpoint pending placement approval.

While in custody, an agent noticed Felipe GOMEZ-Alonzo coughing, with a fever, and glossy eyes. The father, after being interviewed by the agent, requested medical attention for his son. At about 0956, the agent notified the on duty supervisor and transported both the son and father via his assigned service vehicle to Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center where the son is currently being evaluated as of 1100 hours.

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**The son was tested** for strep throat – negative results. The child was diagnosed with a common cold and prescribed Children’s Tylenol. The child and father were released for continued detention.

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**Son (Patient)**

GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe  
MEDPAR Authorization: Pending  
Event: (b)(7)(e)  
DOB: 05/19/2010  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

**Father**

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Event: (b)(7)(e)  
DOB: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

No updates expected.

**From:** (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
**Sent:** Tue, 25 Dec 2018 07:35:13 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6);(b)(7)(c); EPT-IOC;EPT-LEOD;El Paso Sector ILU;EPT-MEDPAR;USBP  
CRITICAL REPORTING CELL;OPSCENTRALSECTORS  
**Cc:** ALA SUPERVISORS  
**Subject:** ESR/ALA TIER III 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe  
(Update #6)

***Evolving Situation Report / Chief's Note***  
**Non-employee Illness/Injury – Hospitalization**  
**In Custody Death**  
**December 24, 2018 0945 Hours**  
**Alamogordo, New Mexico (b)(7)(e)**  
**GPS Coordinates (b)(7)(e)**  
**E3: Event# (b)(7)(e)**

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A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

**Father**

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Event: (b)(7)(e)  
DOB: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
COB: Guatemala



A#: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

Apprehension Coordinates: (b)(7)(e)

Apprehension Time: 1300

Apprehension Date: 12/18/2018

Coordinates of Initial Treatment (ALA): (b)(7)(e)

#### UPDATE #1

**1130 hours** After being evaluated by the ER Doctor, the child is being swabbed and tested for strep throat

#### UPDATE #2

**1245 hours** Test returned negative for strep throat. The child was diagnosed with a common cold and prescribed Children's Tylenol. The child is being released.

#### UPDATE #3

**1320 hours** As they had the discharge paperwork ready, the medical staff administered some Tylenol and re-checked the child's temperature which registered 103. Due to the high temperature, they will continue to monitor him to ensure his fever goes down. He was also tested for the flue which returned negative.

#### UPDATE #4

**1350 hours** No change in current status.

#### UPDATE #5

**1450 hours** Subject was released from ER, given a script for amoxicillin and Ibuprophen, and he and his father are now back at the HWY 70 checkpoint.

#### UPDATE #6

**2310 hours** Subject complaining of nausea and vomiting and requesting medical treatment. Subject transported to GCRMC for evaluation and treatment.

#### UPDATE #7 12/25/2018

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#### TIMELINE: Chronological timeline of actions and events:

##### 12/24/2018

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**12/25/2018**

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Update to follow as information is provided.

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent  
United States Border Patrol  
Alamogordo, New Mexico

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**



**From:** FLANAGAN, PATRICK S  
**Sent:** Tue, 25 Dec 2018 03:15:38 +0000  
**To:** USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL  
**Subject:** Re: (Notice + Close-out) EPT/ALA Illness, Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe

Thank you.

Sent from my (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

On Dec 24, 2018, at 6:07 PM, USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL

(b)(7)(e) wrote:

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COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
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**From:** (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
**Sent:** Tue, 25 Dec 2018 06:21:34 +0000  
**To:** EPT-IOC;EPT-LEOD;El Paso Sector ILU;EPT-MEDPAR;USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL;OPSCENTRALSECTORS  
**Cc:** ALA SUPERVISORS  
**Subject:** RE: ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #6)

*Evolving Situation Report / Chief's Note*  
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**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent  
Alamogordo, NM

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**(Main)  
**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**(Office)  
**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**(Cell)

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**

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**From:** (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
**Sent:** Mon, 24 Dec 2018 18:12:15 +0000  
**To:** EPT-IOC;EPT-LEOD;El Paso Sector ILU;EPT-MEDPAR;USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL;OPSCENTRALSECTORS  
**Cc:** ALA SUPERVISORS  
**Subject:** ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Initial Notification)

*Evolving Situation Report / Chief's Note*  
**Non-employee Illness/Injury - Hospitalization**  
**December 24, 2018 0945 Hours**  
**Alamogordo, New Mexico (b)(7)(e)**  
**GPS Coordinates (b)(7)(e)**  
**E3: Event# (b)(7)(e)**

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**Son (Patient)**

GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe  
MEDPAR Authorization: Pending  
Event: (b)(7)(e)  
DOB: 05/19/2010  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

**Father**

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Event: (b)(7)(e)  
DOB: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

Apprehension Coordinates: (b)(7)(e)



Apprehension Time: 1300

Apprehension Date: 12/18/2018

Coordinates of Initial Treatment (ALA): (b)(7)(e)

**Next Update in 30 Minutes**

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

1997 Highway 54 South

Alamogordo, NM 88310

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

**United States Border Patrol**  
**Non-Employee Issue (Death in Custody)**  
**EPT/ALA 12/25/2018**

**ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:**

On 12/24/2018, at 2258, an 8 year old male detainee was transported from the Hwy 70 checkpoint to the Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center (GCRMC) due to the recurrence of previously treated symptoms. During transport the boy became unresponsive. The boy was brought to the emergency room at GCRMC where medical staff was unable to revive him.

**CURRENT SITUATION**

- The subject was pronounced deceased by GCRMC staff at 2348.
- Cause of death cannot be determined at this time.
- The body is being transported to the Alamogordo Funeral Home.
- Medical Examiner is ordering an autopsy to be performed in Albuquerque, NM.

**BACKGROUND:**

- GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) (Father and son) apprehended by USBP in El Paso on 12/18/18.
  - Both subjects are citizens of Guatemala
  - Claimed to have left Guatemala on 12/10/2018
  - Claim to have traveled through Mexico by bus to arrive in CD. Juarez
  - Entered the United States by crossing the Rio Grande River 3.29 miles west of the Paso Del Norte Port of Entry.
  - Intake completed at PDT, transferred to EPS, then transferred to ALA.
  - Processing completed by ALA on 12/23/18
  - Pending ERO appointment on 12/25/18
  - Prior trip to emergency room
  - Diagnosed with cold/ respiratory issues.
  - Medicated and released.
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- SIR# (b)(7)(e)
  - BSITS#

**LOCATION:**

(b)(7)(e)  
Alamogordo, NM

(b)(7)(e)

**SUBJECT INFORMATION:**

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c) (FATHER)  
DOB: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
COC: Guatemala  
A# (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
EVENT#: (b)(7)(e)  
DISPOSITION: W/NTA  
CURRENT LOCATION: Alamogordo Station

**IMMIGRATION HISTORY:** None

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c), (b)(7)(e)

**PATIENT:**

GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe (Son)  
DOB: 05/19/2010  
AGE: 8  
COC: Guatemala  
A# (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
MEDICAL ISSUE: Nausea, Lethargy, Fever  
CURRENT LOCATION: Alamogordo Funeral

*United States Border Patrol*  
**Non-Employee Issue (Death in Custody)**  
**EPT/ALA 12/25/2018**

**MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITY:**

Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center  
2669 Scenic Dr  
Alamogordo, NM 88310  
575-439-6100

**NOTIFICATIONS:**

USBP Headquarters Staff  
EPT Sector Command Staff  
ALA Station Command Staff  
EPT IOC

**TIME LINE:**

- GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe, an 8 year old boy accompanied by his father, was taken into custody on 12/18/18 at 1300 hrs in El Paso, Texas, as part of group of illegal aliens.
- On December 18, 2018 at about 1639 hrs, the group was transported to the PDT processing center.
- On December 20, 2018 at about 1200 hrs, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and his father (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) were transferred to the El Paso Station.
- From December 20, 2018 to December 23rd the subjects were held at EPS where they were provided with showers, food, and juice.
- From December 20 to December 22 a total of 17 welfare checks were annotated in the (b)(7)(e) Subject Activity Log along with meals and snacks.
- On December 22, 2018 at about 2317 hrs, based on EPS being at capacity level for detainees in custody, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) were transferred to Alamogordo Station to finalize processing efforts.
- On December 23, 2018 at about 0108 hrs, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) arrived at Alamogordo and were accepted in (b)(7)(e).
- December 23, 2018, upon arrival, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) were provided with personal hygiene products (Paper Shower). Meals and welfare checks were as annotated in the (b)(7)(e) Subject Activity Log.
- On December 23, 2018 at about 0557 hrs, processing was completed for GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b)(6);(b)(7)(c).
- December 24, 2018 at about 0539, space requests for GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) were submitted to the family placement in-box.

- December 24, 2018 at approximately 0900 hrs, a processing agent noticed that GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe was coughing and appeared to have glossy eyes.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 0930 hrs, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) were temporary booked out in (b)(7)(e) and transferred to the GCRMC Medical Center Emergency Room with possible influenza symptoms.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 1130, GCRMC staff conducted several tests on GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe for strep throat.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 1245, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe was given a diagnosis of common cold and given Tylenol.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 1320, prior to release, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe was evaluated for release and found to have a 103 fever and was held for observation.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 1450, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe was released from the ER with a prescription for amoxicillin and Ibuprofen. GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) were transported to the Hwy 70 checkpoint.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 1521, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) were offered and accepted a hot meal.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 1700, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe was provided a dose of the prescribed medication as ordered by the medical staff.
- On December 24, 2018, between 1700 and 2058 several welfare checks were performed, agents noted that the child seemed to have recovered some strength.
- On December 24, 2018 at 1900hrs, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe began to feel nauseous and vomited. Agents were aware of this and helped clean up. His father declined further medical assistance as the boy had been feeling better.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 2200 hrs, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe became lethargic and nauseous again. As no EMT was on-duty, agents err'ed on the side of caution and determined to return to GCRMC.
- On December 24, 2018 at 2258 an agent began transporting GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) to GCRMC. Four (4) minutes into the trip the boy began to vomit and lost consciousness.
- At 2307hrs, radio traffic indicated that the agent had arrived at GCRMC where he was met by hospital staff.
- The GCRMC staff were unable to revive GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and pronounced him deceased at 2348 on December 24, 2018.
- Cause of death unknown at the time of this report.
- Body to be transported to Alamogordo Funeral Home pending transfer to Albuquerque for Autopsy.

**From:** (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
**Date:** December 25, 2018 at 5:12:13 AM EST  
**To:** "PROVOST, CARLA (USBP)" (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) "HASTINGS, BRIAN S" (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) "FALK, SCOTT K (OCC)" (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) "KLEIN, MATTHEW (OPR)" (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) "LADOWICZ, JOHN P" (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) "MEEHAN, ANDREW C" (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) "QUINN, TIMOTHY" (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) "SALAZAR, REBEKAH A." (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
**Cc:** "PEREZ, ROBERT E" (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) "MCALEENAN, KEVIN K" (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) "BOYD, VALERIE S" (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) "FLANAGAN, PATRICK S" (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) "HUDSON, RICHARD M" (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) "LUCK, SCOTT A (USBP)" (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL (b)(7)(e)

**Subject:** CHRONOLOGY of Reporting EPT to USBP Critical Reporting Cell \*\*\*TIER III - DEATH IN CUSTODY - EPT/ALA 12/24/18 - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #6)\*\*\*

Commissioner, Deputy Commissioner, Chief, Deputy,

This email contains notifications distributed by the USBP Critical Reporting Cell and notifications received from El Paso Sector in chronological order:

1. Initial notification distributed by EPT labeled **ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Initial Notification)** received by CRC at 1313 hrs on 12/24/18
2. Update email distributed by EPT labeled **RE: ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #1)** received at 1350 hrs on 12/24/18
3. Update email distributed by EPT labeled **RE: ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Final Update)** received at 1451 hrs on 12/24/18
4. Update email distributed by EPT labeled **RE: ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #3)** received at 1528 hours on 12/24/18
5. Update email distributed by EPT labeled **RE: ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #4)** received at 1556 hours on 12/24/18
6. Update email distributed by EPT labeled **RE: ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #4)** received at

1714 hours on 12/24/18

7. Notice + Close-out distributed at 1807 hours on 12/24/18 by the USBP Critical Reporting Cell labeled **(Notice + Close-out) EPT/ALA Illness, Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe**
8. Acknowledgement from COS on message labeled **Re: (Notice + Close-out) EPT/ALA Illness, Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe** received at 2216 hours
9. Email string from EPT for transport notification (2<sup>nd</sup> trip to hospital) labeled **RE: ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #6)** received at 0122 hours
10. Email string from EPT serving as death notification labeled **ESR/ALA TIER III 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #6)** received at 0235 hours 12/25/18

EPT officials are working on the **IP that will contain the larger timeline for apprehension, detention, transports and medical attention**. This report will be shared upon receipt.

Regards,

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**

Associate Chief

Law Enforcement Operations Directorate - Ops

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**From:** PROVOST, CARLA (USBP)

**Sent:** Tuesday, December 25, 2018 4:37 AM

**To:** HASTINGS, BRIAN S **(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**

**Cc:** PEREZ, ROBERT E **(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**; MCALEENAN, KEVIN K

<**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**> ROGGOW, MATTHEW J

<**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**> BOYD, VALERIE S

<**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**> FLANAGAN, PATRICK S <**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**>

<**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**> HUDSON, RICHARD M

<**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**> LUCK, SCOTT A (USBP)

<**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**>

**Subject:** Re: **\*\*\*TIER III - DEATH IN CUSTODY - EPT/ALA 12/24/18 - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #6)\*\*\***

Thank you Brian,

C2, let us know if you have any further questions from your call with Chief Hastings.

VR,  
Carla

Carla L. Provost  
Chief - USBP

(w/ (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
(c) [REDACTED]

On Dec 25, 2018, at 4:24 AM, HASTINGS, BRIAN S <(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)>  
wrote:

Adding Commissioner and Deputy commissioner.

V/r,

Brian

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**From:** [REDACTED] (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 25, 2018 3:30 AM  
**To:** BOYD, VALERIE S <(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)> FLANAGAN, PATRICK S <(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)>  
<(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)> HASTINGS, BRIAN S  
<(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)> HUDSON, RICHARD M  
<(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)> LUCK, SCOTT A (USBP)  
<(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)> PROVOST, CARLA (USBP)  
<(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)>  
<(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)>  
**Cc:** OPSCENTRALSECTORS [REDACTED] (b)(7)(e) OPS EAST SECTOR [REDACTED] (b)(7)(e) OPS WEST SECTORS [REDACTED] (b)(7)(e)  
**Subject:** \*\*\*TIER III - DEATH IN CUSTODY - EPT/ALA 12/24/18 - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #6)\*\*\*

CoS, DCoS, SA,

This is the initial electronic notification for a death in custody that occurred at 0002 (CST) or 0202 local time. The IP detailing this event will be shared with leadership in the coming hours.

**TIMELINE: Chronological timeline of actions and events:**

**12/24/2018**

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**12/25/2018**

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Please reference the ESR below for additional details regarding this matter.

Regards,

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

Associate Chief  
Law Enforcement Operations Directorate - Ops

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c) office  
(b)(6);(b)(7)(c) cellular

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**From:** USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL

**Sent:** Tuesday, December 25, 2018 2:35 AM

**To:** (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

**Subject:** FW: ESR/ALA TIER III 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #6)

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**From:** (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

**Sent:** Tuesday, December 25, 2018 2:35:13 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

**To:** (b)(6);(b)(7)(c); EPT-IOC; EPT-LEOD; El Paso Sector ILU; EPT-MEDPAR; USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL; OPSCENTRALSECTORS

**Cc:** ALA SUPERVISORS

**Subject:** ESR/ALA TIER III 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #6)

*Evolving Situation Report / Chief's Note*  
**Non-employee Illness/Injury – Hospitalization  
In Custody Death**

**December 24, 2018 0945 Hours**

**Alamogordo, New Mexico (b)(7)(e)**

**GPS Coordinates (b)(7)(e)**

**E3: Event# (b)(7)(e)**

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**Son (Patient)**

GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe

MEDPAR Authorization (b)(7)(e)

Event: (b)(7)(e)

DOB: 05/19/2010

COB: Guatemala

A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

**Father**

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

Event: (b)(7)(e)

DOB: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)



COB: Guatemala

A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

Apprehension Coordinates: (b)(7)(e)

Apprehension Time: 1300

Apprehension Date: 12/18/2018

Coordinates of Initial Treatment (ALA): (b)(7)(e)

**UPDATE #1**

**1130 hours** After being evaluated by the ER Doctor, the child is being swabbed and tested for strep throat

**UPDATE #2**

**1245 hours** Test returned negative for strep throat. The child was diagnosed with a common cold and prescribed Children's Tylenol. The child is being released.

**UPDATE # 3**

**1320 hours** As they had the discharge paperwork ready, the medical staff administered some Tylenol and re-checked the child's temperature which registered 103. Due to the high temperature, they will continue to monitor him to ensure his fever goes down. He was also tested for the flue which returned negative.

**UPDATE # 4**

**1350 hours** No change in current status.

**UPDATE #5**

**1450 hours** Subject was released from ER, given a script for amoxicillin and Ibuprophen, and he and his father are now back at the HWY 70 checkpoint.

**UPDATE #6**

**2310 hours** Subject complaining of nausea and vomiting and requesting medical treatment. Subject transported to GCRMC for evaluation and treatment.

**UPDATE #7 12/25/2018**

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Update to follow as information is provided.

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent  
United States Border Patrol  
Alamogordo, New Mexico

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**

**From:** (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) on behalf of USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL  
**To:** BOYD, VALERIE S; FLANAGAN, PATRICK S; (b)(6);(b)(7)(c); HASTINGS, BRIAN S; HUDSON, RICHARD M;  
LUCK, SCOTT A (USBP); PROVOST, CARLA (USBP); (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
**Cc:** OPSCENTRAL SECTORS  
**Subject:** (Notice + Close-out) EPT/ALA Illness, Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe

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**The son was tested** for strep throat – negative results. The child was diagnosed with a common cold and prescribed Children’s Tylenol. The child and father were released for continued detention.

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**Son (Patient)**

GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe  
MEDPAR Authorization: Pending  
Event: (b)(7)(e)  
DOB: 05/19/2010  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

**Father**

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Event: (b)(7)(e)  
DOB: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

No updates expected.

**From:** (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
**To:** (b)(6);(b)(7)(c) EPT-IDC; EPT-LEOD; El Paso Sector ILU; EPT-MEDPAR; USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL; OPSCENTRALSECTORS  
**Cc:** ALA SUPERVISORS  
**Subject:** ESR/ALA TIER III 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #6)  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 25, 2018 2:35:14 AM  
**Attachments:** image001.png

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***Evolving Situation Report / Chief's Note***  
**Non-employee Illness/Injury – Hospitalization**  
**In Custody Death**  
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DOB: 05/19/2010  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

**Father**

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Event: (b)(7)(e)  
DOB: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

Apprehension Coordinates: (b)(7)(e)  
Apprehension Time: 1300  
Apprehension Date: 12/18/2018  
Coordinates of Initial Treatment (ALA): (b)(7)(e)

**UPDATE #1**

**1130 hours** After being evaluated by the ER Doctor, the child is being swabbed and



tested for strep throat

**UPDATE #2**

**1245 hours** Test returned negative for strep throat. The child was diagnosed with a common cold and prescribed Children's Tylenol. The child is being released.

**UPDATE # 3**

**1320 hours** As they had the discharge paperwork ready, the medical staff administered some Tylenol and re-checked the child's temperature which registered 103. Due to the high temperature, they will continue to monitor him to ensure his fever goes down. He was also tested for the flue which returned negative.

**UPDATE # 4**

**1350 hours** No change in current status.

**UPDATE #5**

**1450 hours** Subject was released from ER, given a script for amoxicillin and Ibuprophen, and he and his father are now back at the HWY 70 checkpoint.

**UPDATE #6**

**2310 hours** Subject complaining of nausea and vomiting and requesting medical treatment. Subject transported to GCRMC for evaluation and treatment.

**UPDATE #7 12/25/2018**

**0002 hours** Subject continued vomiting. Subject became unresponsive. Subject pronounced deceased at GCRMC. Cause of death pending. PAIC (b)(6);(b)(7)(C) DPAIC (b)(6);(b)(7)(C) DC (b)(6);(b)(7)(C) notified telephonically.

**TIMELINE: Chronological timeline of actions and events:**

**12/24/2018**

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1130 hours The child was swabbed and is being checked for strep throat.  
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1320 hours Medical staff administered Tylenol and are monitoring the child to ensure his temperature goes down. He was also tested for the flu, which returned negative.  
1350 hours No change in current status.  
1450 hours Subject released from ER and back at checkpoint with his father.  
2310 hours Subject transported back to GCRMC for evaluation and treatment due to nausea and vomiting.

**12/25/2018**

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Update to follow as information is provided.

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent  
United States Border Patrol  
Alamogordo, New Mexico

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**

ALA Coin



**From:** (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
**To:** EPT-IOC; EPT-LEOD; El Paso Sector ILU; EPT-MEDPAR; USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL;  
OPSCENTRALSECTORS  
**Cc:** ALA SUPERVISORS  
**Subject:** RE: ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #6)  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 25, 2018 1:21:35 AM

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***Evolving Situation Report / Chief's Note***  
**Non-employee Illness/Injury - Hospitalization**  
**December 24, 2018 0945 Hours**  
**Alamogordo, New Mexico (b)(7)(e)**  
**GPS Coordinates (b)(7)(e)**  
**E3: Event# (b)(7)(e)**

**SITUATION:** On December 18, 2018, at about 1300 hours, Felipe GOMEZ-Alonzo and his father entered illegally with a group of people approximately 3.29 miles west of the Paso Del Norte Port of Entry in El Paso, Texas by crossing the Rio Grande River. On December 23, 2018, at about 2317 hours, Felipe GOMEZ and his father were transferred to the Alamogordo Border Patrol Station for processing. After being processed, they were transferred to the Alamogordo Highway 70 Checkpoint pending placement approval. While in custody, an agent noticed Felipe GOMEZ-Alonzo coughing, with a fever, and glossy eyes. The father, after being interviewed by the agent, requested medical attention for his son. At about 0956, the agent notified the on duty supervisor and transported both the son and father via his assigned service vehicle to Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center where the son is currently being evaluated as of 1100 hours.

**Son (Patient)**

GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe  
MEDPAR Authorization: (b)(7)(e)  
Event: (b)(7)(e)  
DOB: 05/19/2010  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

**Father**

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Event: (b)(7)(e)  
DOB: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

Apprehension Coordinates: (b)(7)(e)  
Apprehension Time: 1300  
Apprehension Date: 12/18/2018  
Coordinates of Initial Treatment (ALA): (b)(7)(e)

**UPDATE #1**

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**1350 hours** No change in current status.

**UPDATE #5**

**1450 hours** Subject was released from ER, given a script for amoxicillin and Ibuprophen, and he and his father are now back at the HWY 70 checkpoint.

**UPDATE #6**

**2310 hours** Subject complaining of nausea and vomiting and requesting medical treatment. Subject evaluated by Border Patrol EMT. Subject transported to GCRMC for evaluation and treatment.

**TIMELINE: Chronological timeline of actions and events:**

0956 hours The child was transported to GCRMC due to cough and fever.  
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**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent  
Alamogordo, NM

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**(Main)

(Office)

(Cell)

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**

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**From:** FLANAGAN, PATRICK S  
**To:** USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL  
**Subject:** Re: (Notice + Close-out) EPT/ALA Illness, Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe  
**Date:** Monday, December 24, 2018 10:15:39 PM

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Thank you.

Sent from my (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

On Dec 24, 2018, at 6:07 PM, USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL  
<(b)(7)(e)> wrote:

CoS, DCoS, SA,

El Paso Sector reports that on December 18, 2018, at about 1300 hours, Felipe GOMEZ-Alonzo and his father entered illegally with a group of people approximately 3.29 miles west of the Paso Del Norte Port of Entry in El Paso, Texas by crossing the Rio Grande River. On December 23, 2018, at about 2317 hours, Felipe GOMEZ and his father were transferred to the Alamogordo Border Patrol Station for processing. After being processed, they were transferred to the Alamogordo Highway 70 Checkpoint pending placement approval.

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**The son was tested** for strep throat – negative results. The child was diagnosed with a common cold and prescribed Children’s Tylenol. The child and father were released for continued detention.

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**Son (Patient)**

GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe  
MEDPAR Authorization: Pending  
Event: (b)(7)(e)  
DOB: 05/19/2010  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

**Father**

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Event: (b)(7)(e)  
DOB: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

COB: Guatemala

A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

No updates expected.

**From:** (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
**To:** EPT-IOC; EPT-LEOD; El Paso Sector ILU; EPT-MEDPAR; USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL;  
OPSCENTRALSECTORS  
**Cc:** ALA SUPERVISORS  
**Subject:** ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Initial Notification)  
**Date:** Monday, December 24, 2018 1:12:15 PM

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***Evolving Situation Report / Chief's Note***  
**Non-employee Illness/Injury - Hospitalization**  
**December 24, 2018 0945 Hours**  
**Alamogordo, New Mexico (b)(7)(e)**  
**GPS Coordinates (b)(7)(e)**  
**E3: Event# (b)(7)(e)**

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**Son (Patient)**

GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe  
MEDPAR Authorization: Pending  
Event: (b)(7)(e)  
DOB: 05/19/2010  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

**Father**

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Event: (b)(7)(e)  
DOB: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b)(6);(b)(7)(c)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

Apprehension Coordinates: (b)(7)(e)  
Apprehension Time: 1300  
Apprehension Date: 12/18/2018  
Coordinates of Initial Treatment (ALA): (b)(7)(e)

**Next Update in 30 Minutes**

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent  
1997 Highway 54 South

Alamogordo, NM 88310

**(b)(6);(b)(7)(c)**

**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
**To:** EPT-IOC; EPT-LEOD; El Paso Sector ILU; EPT-MEDPAR; USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL;  
OPSCENTRALSECTORS  
**Cc:** ALA SUPERVISORS  
**Subject:** RE: ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Final Update)  
**Date:** Monday, December 24, 2018 2:50:36 PM

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***Evolving Situation Report / Chief's Note***  
**Non-employee Illness/Injury - Hospitalization**  
**December 24, 2018 0945 Hours**  
**Alamogordo, New Mexico (b) (7)(E)**  
**GPS Coordinates (b) (7)(E)**  
**E3: Event# (b) (7)(E)**

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**Son (Patient)**

GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe  
MEDPAR Authorization: Pending  
Event: (b) (7)(E)  
DOB: 05/19/2010  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

**Father**

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Event: (b) (7)(E)  
DOB: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

Apprehension Coordinates: (b) (7)(E)  
Apprehension Time: 1300  
Apprehension Date: 12/18/2018  
Coordinates of Initial Treatment (ALA): (b) (7)(E)

**UPDATE #1**

**1130 hours** After being evaluated by the ER Doctor, the child is being swabbed and tested for strep throat

**Final Update**

**1245 hours** Test returned negative for strep throat. The child was diagnosed with a

**common cold and prescribed Children's Tylenol. The child is being released.**

**TIMELINE: Chronological timeline of actions and events:**

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1030 hours The child was admitted to the ER.

1130 hours The child was swabbed and is being checked for strep throat.

1245 hours Test results were negative for strep throat. The child was diagnosed with a common cold and prescribed Children's Tylenol. The child will be released.

**No updates will follow.**

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

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent  
1997 Highway 54 South  
Alamogordo, NM 88310

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



**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
**To:** EPT-IOC; EPT-LEOD; El Paso Sector ILU; EPT-MEDPAR; USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL; OPSCENTRALSECTORS  
**Cc:** ALA SUPERVISORS  
**Subject:** RE: ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #1)  
**Date:** Monday, December 24, 2018 1:49:56 PM

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***Evolving Situation Report / Chief's Note***  
**Non-employee Illness/Injury - Hospitalization**  
**December 24, 2018 0945 Hours**  
**Alamogordo, New Mexico (b) (7)(E)**  
**GPS Coordinates (b) (7)(E)**  
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**Son (Patient)**

GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe  
MEDPAR Authorization: Pending  
Event: (b) (7)(E)  
DOB: 05/19/2010  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

**Father**

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Event: (b) (7)(E)  
DOB: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

Apprehension Coordinates: (b) (7)(E)  
Apprehension Time: 1300  
Apprehension Date: 12/18/2018  
Coordinates of Initial Treatment (ALA): (b) (7)(E)

**UPDATE #1**

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**TIMELINE: Chronological timeline of actions and events:**

0956 hours The child was transported to GCRMC due to cough and fever.

1030 hours      The child was admitted to the ER.  
1130 hours      The child was swabbed and is being checked for strep throat.

**Next Update in 1 hour**

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

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent  
1997 Highway 54 South  
Alamogordo, NM 88310

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

**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
**To:** EPT-IOC; EPT-LEOD; El Paso Sector ILU; EPT-MEDPAR; USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL;  
OPSCENTRALSECTORS  
**Cc:** ALA SUPERVISORS  
**Subject:** RE: ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #3)  
**Date:** Monday, December 24, 2018 3:27:55 PM

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***Evolving Situation Report / Chief's Note***  
**Non-employee Illness/Injury - Hospitalization**  
**December 24, 2018 0945 Hours**  
**Alamogordo, New Mexico (b) (7)(E)**  
**GPS Coordinates (b) (7)(E)**  
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**Son (Patient)**

GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe  
MEDPAR Authorization: (b) (7)(E)  
Event: (b) (7)(E)  
DOB: 05/19/2010  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

**Father**

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Event: (b) (7)(E)  
DOB: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

Apprehension Coordinates: (b) (7)(E)  
Apprehension Time: 1300  
Apprehension Date: 12/18/2018  
Coordinates of Initial Treatment (ALA): (b) (7)(E)

**UPDATE #1**

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**UPDATE #2**

**1245 hours** Test returned negative for strep throat. The child was diagnosed with a

**common cold and prescribed Children's Tylenol. The child is being released.**

**UPDATE # 3**

**1320 hours** As they had the discharge paperwork ready, the medical staff administered some Tylenol and re-checked the child's temperature which registered 103. Due to the high temperature, they will continue to monitor him to ensure his fever goes down. He was also tested for the flue which returned negative.

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**Next Update in 30 minutes.**

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

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent  
1997 Highway 54 South  
Alamogordo, NM 88310

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

**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
**To:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) EPT-IDC; EPT-LEOD; El Paso Sector ILU; EPT-MEDPAR; USBP CRITICAL REPORTING CELL; OPSCENTRALSECTORS  
**Cc:** ALA SUPERVISORS  
**Subject:** RE: ESR/ALA Chief's Note: 12/24/18 - Non-Employee Illness/Injury - Gomez-Alonzo, Felipe (Update #4)  
**Date:** Monday, December 24, 2018 5:13:51 PM

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***Evolving Situation Report / Chief's Note***  
**Non-employee Illness/Injury - Hospitalization**  
**December 24, 2018 0945 Hours**  
**Alamogordo, New Mexico (b) (7)(E)**  
**GPS Coordinates (b) (7)(E)**  
**E3: Event# (b) (7)(E)**

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**Son (Patient)**

GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe  
MEDPAR Authorization: (b) (7)(E)  
Event: (b) (7)(E)  
DOB: 05/19/2010  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

**Father**

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Event: (b) (7)(E)  
DOB: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
COB: Guatemala  
A#: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Processing Disposition: WA/NTA – awaiting placement

Apprehension Coordinates: (b) (7)(E)  
Apprehension Time: 1300  
Apprehension Date: 12/18/2018  
Coordinates of Initial Treatment (ALA): (b) (7)(E)

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**UPDATE # 4**

**1350 hours** No change in current status.

**UPDATE #5**

**1450 hours** Subject was released from ER, given a script for amoxicillin and Ibuprophen, and he and his father are now back at the HWY 70 checkpoint.

**TIMELINE: Chronological timeline of actions and events:**

0956 hours The child was transported to GCRMC due to cough and fever.  
1030 hours The child was admitted to the ER.  
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1320 hours Medical staff administered Tylenol and are monitoring the child to ensure his temperature goes down. He was also tested for the flu, which returned negative.  
1350 hours No change in current status.  
1450 hours Subject released from ER and back at checkpoint with his father.

**NO FURTHER UPDATES.**

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

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent  
1997 Highway 54 South  
Alamogordo, NM 88310

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

**United States Border Patrol**  
**Non-Employee Issue (Death in Custody)**  
**EPT/ALA 12/25/2018**

**ISSUE / BRIEFING TOPIC:**

On 12/24/2018, at 2258, an 8 year old male detainee was transported from the Hwy 70 checkpoint to the Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center (GCRMC) due to the recurrence of previously treated symptoms. During transport the boy became unresponsive. The boy was brought to the emergency room at GCRMC where medical staff was unable to revive him.

**CURRENT SITUATION**

- The subject was pronounced deceased by GCRMC staff at 2348.
- Cause of death cannot be determined at this time.
- The body is being transported to the Alamogordo Funeral Home.
- Medical Examiner is ordering an autopsy to be performed in Albuquerque, NM.

**BACKGROUND:**

- GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Father and son) apprehended by USBP in El Paso on 12/18/18.
- Both subjects are citizens of Guatemala
- Claimed to have left Guatemala on 12/10/2018
- Claim to have traveled through Mexico by bus to arrive in CD. Juarez
- Entered the United States by crossing the Rio Grande River 3.29 miles west of the Paso Del Norte Port of Entry.
- Intake completed at PDT, transferred to EPS, then transferred to ALA.
- Processing completed by ALA on 12/23/18
- Pending ERO appointment on 12/25/18
- Prior trip to emergency room
- Diagnosed with cold/ respiratory issues.
- Medicated and released.
  
- SIR# (b)(7)(e)
- BSITS#

**LOCATION:**

(b) (7)(E)  
Alamogordo, NM

(b)(7)(e)

**SUBJECT INFORMATION:**

PARENT: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (FATHER)  
DOB: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
COC: Guatemala  
A# (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
EVENT#: (b) (7)(E)  
DISPOSITION: W/NTA  
CURRENT LOCATION: Alamogordo Station

**IMMIGRATION HISTORY:** (b)(7)(e)

(b)(6);(b)(7)(c), (b)(7)(e)

**PATIENT:**

GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe (Son)  
DOB: 05/19/2010  
AGE: 8  
COC: Guatemala  
A# (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
MEDICAL ISSUE: Nausea, Lethargy, Fever  
CURRENT LOCATION: Alamogordo Funeral

*United States Border Patrol*  
**Non-Employee Issue (Death in Custody)**  
**EPT/ALA 12/25/2018**

**MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITY:**

Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center  
2669 Scenic Dr  
Alamogordo, NM 88310  
575-439-6100

**NOTIFICATIONS:**

USBP Headquarters Staff  
EPT Sector Command Staff  
ALA Station Command Staff  
EPT IOC

**TIME LINE:**

- GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe, an 8 year old boy accompanied by his father, was taken into custody on 12/18/18 at 1300 hrs in El Paso, Texas, as part of group of illegal aliens.
- On December 18, 2018 at about 1639 hrs, the group was transported to the PDT processing center.
- On December 20, 2018 at about 1200 hrs, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and his father (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) were transferred to the El Paso Station.
- From December 20, 2018 to December 23rd the subjects were held at EPS where they were provided with showers, food, and juice.
- From December 20 to December 22 a total of 17 welfare checks were annotated in the (b)(7)(e) Subject Activity Log along with meals and snacks.
- On December 22, 2018 at about 2317 hrs, based on EPS being at capacity level for detainees in custody, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) were transferred to Alamogordo Station to finalize processing efforts.
- On December 23, 2018 at about 0108 hrs, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrived at Alamogordo and were accepted in (b) (7)(E).
- December 23, 2018, upon arrival, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) were provided with personal hygiene products (Paper Shower). Meals and welfare checks were as annotated in the (b)(7)(E) Subject Activity Log.
- On December 23, 2018 at about 0557 hrs, processing was completed for GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).
- December 24, 2018 at about 0539, space requests for GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) were submitted to the family placement in-box.

- December 24, 2018 at approximately 0900 hrs, a processing agent noticed that GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe was coughing and appeared to have glossy eyes.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 0930 hrs, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) were temporary booked out in (b)(7)(E) and transferred to the GCRMC Medical Center Emergency Room with possible influenza symptoms.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 1130, GCRMC staff conducted several tests on GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe for strep throat.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 1245, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe was given a diagnosis of common cold and given Tylenol.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 1320, prior to release, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe was evaluated for release and found to have a 103 fever and was held for observation.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 1450, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe was released from the ER with a prescription for amoxicillin and Ibuprofen. GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) were transported to the Hwy 70 checkpoint.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 1521, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) were offered and accepted a hot meal.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 1700, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe was provided a dose of the prescribed medication as ordered by the medical staff.
- On December 24, 2018, between 1700 and 2058 several welfare checks were performed, agents noted that the child seemed to have recovered some strength.
- On December 24, 2018 at 1900hrs, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe began to feel nauseous and vomited. Agents were aware of this and helped clean up. His father declined further medical assistance as the boy had been feeling better.
- On December 24, 2018 at about 2200 hrs, GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe became lethargic and nauseous again. As no EMT was on-duty, agents err'ed on the side of caution and determined to return to GCRMC.
- On December 24, 2018 at 2258 an agent began transporting GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to GCRMC. Four (4) minutes into the trip the boy began to vomit and lost consciousness.
- At 2307hrs, radio traffic indicated that the agent had arrived at GCRMC where he was met by hospital staff.
- The GCRMC staff were unable to revive GOMEZ-Alonzo, Felipe and pronounced him deceased at 2348 on December 24, 2018.
- Cause of death unknown at the time of this report.
- Body to be transported to Alamogordo Funeral Home pending transfer to Albuquerque for Autopsy.