News Release

January 27, 2017 Contact: Public Affairs Liaison (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Brownsville Port of Entry CBP Officers Seize \$122K in Cocaine at Gateway International Bridge

BROWNSVILLE, Texas – U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers at the Gateway International Bridge intercepted a load of alleged cocaine. CBP officers discovered the alleged narcotics, valued at approximately \$122,740, hidden within a white 1994 Ford Ranger.

"I am pleased with our officers' diligence and their commitment in safeguarding our borders," said (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) Brownsville Port of Entry, "This is another success in keeping these drugs out of our streets and our nation secure."

The seizure took place on Thursday, Jan. 26, at Gateway International Bridge when a 20-year-old male United States citizen who resides in Brownsville, Texas, applied for entry into the United States driving a white 1994 Ford Ranger. The vehicle was referred to CBP secondary for further examination after a primary inspection. With the help of a K-9 unit, CBP officers discovered six packages hidden within the vehicle. CBP officers removed the packages which contained a total of 15.92 pounds of alleged cocaine.

The estimated street value of the narcotics from the seizure is approximately \$122,740.

CBP officers seized the narcotics along with the vehicle, arrested the driver and turned him over to the custody of Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) special agents for further investigation.

For more information about CBP, please click on the attached link.

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CBP Office of Field Operations at the Brownsville Port of Entry is part of the Joint Task Force-West South Texas Corridor, which leverages federal, state and local resources to combat transnational criminal organizations.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection is the unified border agency within the Department of Homeland Security charged with the management, control and protection of our nation's borders at and between official ports of entry. CBP is charged with keeping terrorists and terrorist weapons out of the country while enforcing hundreds of U.S. laws.





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OFO EXECUTIVE ITEMS:

INTERNATIONAL:

The Telegraph.co.uk - PureCircle free to resume US trading after 'slave labour' dispute with Customs and Border Protection

The Telegraph reports artificial sweetener maker PureCircle can resume its shipments of plant extract stevia to the US after authorities cleared it of using 'slave labour'. The London-listed company has been locked in a dispute with CBP after a PureCircle shipment was seized and impounded last year. The U.S. authorities said they had received information that stevia being imported from China had been produced by convicts. PureCircle said the claims were "based on an inaccurate allegation".

The Irish Times.com - Zappone seeks 'urgent review' of pre-clearance at Irish airports.

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The Irish Times reports the operation of US immigration pre-clearance at Irish airports must be "urgently reviewed", Minister for Children Katherine Zappone has said. Her call comes as several experts in human rights law warn the application at Irish airports of the US ban on people from seven mainly Muslim countries may be illegal. In a tweet on Sunday, Ms. Zappone said: "I am deeply concerned that discrimination may be happening at U.S. immigration in Irish airports and am seeking an urgent review." The U.S. embassy in Dublin confirmed the executive order banning the entry of people from Iran, Iraq, Sudan, Libya, Yemen, Syria and Somalia, is being implemented in Dublin and Shannon airports. These are the only airports in Europe providing U.S. pre-clearance.

Daily Times.com.pk - US Embassy to lead Pakistani delegation to Atlanta to promote agriculture

Daily Times reports U.S. Embassy Economic Counselor Joel Robert Garverick will lead a delegation of Pakistani officials, businessmen, farmers and agriculture experts to Atlanta, Georgia, to promote U.S.-Pakistan bilateral commercial ties and increase trade and investment in agriculture. According to a press release, the delegation will remain in US until February 4 and will attend the 2017 International Production and Processing Expo (IPPE), the U.S.'s largest annual trade show for the poultry, meat and feed industries, building on the theme, "Innovation in agriculture".

CTV News.ca - Mexican president gets new invite to U.S. -- from border state

CTV reports Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto has a new diplomatic invitation to visit the U.S. after cancelling a trip to Washington in response to President Donald Trump's plans to build a border wall -- this time from a trio of Democratic lawmakers in the heavily Hispanic state of New Mexico. Democratic state Rep. Javier Martinez of Albuquerque said Sunday that Trump's insistence on making Mexico pay for a border

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wall extension is a threat to centuries-old economic and cultural ties between Mexico and the state of New Mexico, including recent investments by taxpayers in the Santa Teresa-San Jeronimo border crossing that have spurred trade.

NATIONAL:

NBC News.com - Trump Defends His Immigration Ban Amid Uncertainty, Public Outcry

NBC News reports President Donald Trump defended his controversial executive order restricting travel from seven Muslim-majority nations and indefinitely banning Syrian refugees as "not about religion" amid a second day of protests and uncertainty around the ban. "This is not about religion," Trump said in the statement issued Sunday evening. "This is about terror and keeping our country safe. There are over 40 different countries worldwide that are majority Muslim that are not affected by this order."

NPR.org - 7 Targeted Countries React To Trump's Ban On Immigration

NPR reports surprise and a desire for retaliation are some of the reactions to President Trump's temporary ban on travelers from seven Muslim-majority countries. The ban, abruptly imposed Friday, led the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, a 57-nation body that's based in Saudi Arabia, to call on the U.S. to "maintain its moral obligation to provide leadership and hope at a time of great uncertainty and unrest in the world."

The Daily Beast.com - Dems Demand Meeting With DHS Head Over Refugee Ban

The Daily Beast reports as outrage over President Trump's refugee ban mounts, top Democrats are demanding to meet with the head of the DHS to discuss how the executive order is meant to be implemented. "As ranking members of the committees of jurisdiction for matters of immigration, border security, and admission of refugees, we write to you on an emergency basis to request a meeting to discuss the implementation and guidance concerning the Executive Order," a letter sent to DHS Secretary John Kelly on Sunday night reads, according to Politico.

NBC News.com - Department of Homeland Security Seeks to Quell Confusion Over Refugee Ban

NBC reports the department charged with enforcing President Donald Trump's refugee ban sought to clarify the executive order on Sunday night amid a whirlwind of protests, legal challenges and confusion over whether the two day-old policy applies to permanent U.S. residents. In a statement, the DHS said it was complying with emergency court rulings issued earlier that temporarily halted parts of the order. "We are committed to ensuring that all individuals affected by the executive orders, including those affected by the court orders, are being provided all rights afforded under the law," the statement said.

LOCAL:

The Buffalo News.com - Trump order would 'shut down' border, Peace Bridge GM says
The Buffalo News reports President Donald I. Trump's plan to use biometric checks -

The Buffalo News reports President Donald J. Trump's plan to use biometric checks - such as fingerprints or iris scans - for everyone entering or leaving the U.S. would cause massive backups at the Canadian border, according to the general manager of the Peace Bridge Authority. In an executive order issued Friday, Trump calls for the biometric

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checks. It was included in tough new restrictions on immigration and refugee admissions. The executive order states: "DHS shall expedite the completion and implementation of a biometric entry-exit tracking system for all travelers to the U.S., as recommended by the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks upon the U.S."

News. Vice.com - Here legally, but facing deportation

Vice News reports CBPO's at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) are still trying to deport travelers from blacklisted Muslim-majority countries, despite a federal court order halting the practice, according to immigration lawyers. Now, the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of California has filed a lawsuit in response.

KHOU.com - Behind-the-scenes look at security for Super Bowl LI

KHOU reports with the countdown the Super Sunday now less than a week away, efforts to keep players and fans safe inside NRG Stadium are hitting full stride. Monday screening began for all trucks headed to the stadium. Every truck and every driver must be checked, including a full x-ray of all vehicles by CBP. "We are seeing absolutely everything that's coming into the NRG Stadium," explained Chief, (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

KVOA.com - CBP canine alerts Lukeville Port Officers to \$53k of drugs

KVOA reports a CBP canine alerted officers at the Arizona's Port of Lukeville to the presence of drugs within a vehicle. A 34 year-old man and women from Caborca, Sonora, Mexico were both arrested after the discovery of \$53,000 worth of marijuana, an estimated 105 pounds, was found in their Ford Sedan on Jan. 28.

Straight.com - Donald Trump's executive order requires biometrics for all travellers to the United States

Straight reports a new U.S. ban on visitors with visas from seven Muslim-majority countries is attracting worldwide media coverage. But another clause in President Donald Trump's January 27 executive order hasn't elicited nearly as much attention—and it will affect everyone who visits America. Section 7 calls on DHS to "the completion and implementation of a biometric entry-exit tracking system for all travelers to the U.S."

FEATURED STORIES:

CBPOs at San Ysidro Nab 2005 Homicide Suspect - on Jan. 25, 2017 at the San Ysidro, CA POE, Mexican officials showed up at the PedWest border crossing with a man in tow. They turned him to (CBP) and returned to their station.

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands	(CNMI), met with U.S. Customs and	
Border Protection (CBP) representatives	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	

OFO PRESS ACTIVITIES:

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Participants: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	
Date: 02/01/2017		
Subject: Reform C the current maritime security	(b)(7)(E)	t nd
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Date: 01/31/2017		
House Committee on Home	with Rep. Martha McSally (R-AZ-2), Chasland Security, Subcommittee on Border a ary 16, 2017 hearing regarding Transnation.	and Maritime
Participants: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	
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Date: 02/02/2017		
Subject: ((b)(7)(E)	

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•	Date: 02/02/2017 Subject: Briefing for staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Committees,				
	Subcommittees on Homeland Security regarding OPR and the polygraph program. Participants: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)				
	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)				
•	Date: 02/03/2017 Subject: Briefing for staff from the Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding CDSOA interest and bonding collection issues. Participants: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)				
	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)				
<u>Co</u>	ongressional Delegations without Members (STAFFDEL)				
•	February 7-11 (tentative): Staff from the House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security will tour CBP operations in and around El Paso, San Antonio, and McAllen, TX. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) (OCA) is coordinating.				
<u>Co</u>	ongressional Delegations with Members (CODEL)				
•	February 20-22: Sens. John Cornyn (R-TX), Thom Tillis (R-NC), Dean Heller (R-NV), and John Kennedy (R-LA), and Rep. David Rouzer (R-NC-7) will receive an aerial orientation of the RGV and DRT, as well as a DRT Sector HQ briefing from USBP. [OCA] is coordinating.				
•	February 22: Rep. Paul Ryan (R-WI-1), Speaker of the House, will tour DHS operations in and around McAllen, TX. The Speaker will likely be accompanied by a small group of select Members (TBD). (OCA) is coordinating.				
<u>He</u>	<u>earings</u>				
•	February 16: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security during a hearing regarding Transnational Criminal Organization (TCO) threats. Assistant Director Matt Allen (ICE HSI) and Vice Admiral Charles Ray (USCG) will also testify. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) DCA) is coordinating.				
•	February 16 (tentative): The House Oversight and Government Reform Committee will host a hearing regarding maritime cargo security, including 100% scanning. DHS and CBP witnesses will be invited to testify. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) (OCA) is coordinating.				

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• March TBD (tentative): The House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security will hold a hearing regarding DHS Southern Border and Approaches Campaign Joint Task Force (JTF) operations to address TCO threats. The Subcommittee is expected to invite the three JTF Directors to testify. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) (OCA) is coordinating.

DHS Hearings

• None.

Events

• None.

Notes

• The House and Senate are in session.

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Media Division Daily Media Report Tuesday, January 31, 2017

GUIDANCE: Entries in **blue** are new or updated. **Black** entries previously mentioned. The submission starts with the date posted on the DMR. For media inquiries, submissions should identify the outlet, name of the reporter(s), topic, request and deadline. For events, submissions should include the following details: date, time, address, label and title of principal officials attending/speaking, type of event.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

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C1/C2 EVENTS:
CONGRESS, SLT, NGO, OTR:
MEDIA EVENTS:
VALENTINE'S DAY 2017
1/26: Atlanta Field Office will host local press on February 7 th 10 am at Delta cargo warehouse (ATL) highlighting CBP inspection of cut flowers. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) lead interview, filming of CBP Ag Specialists on the job and interview with inspector. Requesting available OFO stats. Air date: same day Tone: Positive Lead (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
NYFO will be holding a media availability on Tuesday 7 February at JFK (TBD) to speak to CBP SMEs (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) about CBP's role in inspecting stem cut flowers leading up to Valentine's Day. Invited Media will have the opportunity to collect b-roll of CBP Agriculture Specialists performing inspections of the flowers, as well as conducting on-camera interviews in English and/or Spanish respectively with the two CBP SMEs. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) BD. Positive Tone Expected.
1/19: The Miami Field Office, in coordination with (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(c) will hold its annual cut flowers press event at the Centurion Air Cargo
Warehouse during the week of Feb. 6. Agenda will include opening remarks, media
questions and answers, filming of flower inspections, as well as interviews with CBPO
inspectors. Local CMO is working on cut flower stats. Who from HQ will participate?
Miami event will be lead office, kicking off cut flower season. Vis Comms services
requested for b-roll, photos, video.
Lead: I (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/19: Potential open press events in New York, Los Angeles, Boston and Atlanta. Additional details and confirmations to come.

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1/19: CNBC is doing a piece on counterfeit personal care items/fragrances ahead of Valentine's Day. They will visit the Port of New York/Newark (TBD) to interview CBP SME (Chief Al Donofrio) on camera (not live) about FY16 stats/trends, the dangers of counterfeit fragrances, what CBP is doing to combat, etc., as well as get footage of seized products and b-roll of CBPOs performing inspections. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
SPECIAL PROJECTS:
1/27 – IPT Recruitment plans a media initiative to bolster female recruiting, during Women's History Month in March. Three video stories will be produced, each centering on a female CBP employee in OFO, BP and AMO, with a staggered release each week during March. A single female from OFO, one from AMO and an all-female pistol team from BP have been selected for feature stories. The goal is to draw attention to the role of women in CBP and encourage future applicants to join the agency. Production is ongoing.
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/18: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C), from New York City-based company, TK Digital, wants to visit a USBP sector in February in order to get a ground tour on the southern border with agents to gather information, interviews and footage for a Japanese TV show called "Sekai Gyoten News" (translates to "World's Astonishing News". Currently under review.
Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/9: OPA is coordinating with NSSE on Super Bowl coverage in Houston focusing on CBP's role in security, etc. UPDATE: NFL Security Presser slated for Jan. 31. DHS rep TBD. AMO will participate in an Air Security Press Conference on Jan. 31; CBP will join ICE and NFL for an IPR press conference Feb. 2 Other media availabilities will be scheduled to include OFO NII operations and AMO Air operations between Jan. 30-Feb. 5 Draft Operation Team Player Joint Press Release (with ICE as the lead) is currently with the FO for approval of C1 quote. ICE anticipates that the release will go out on Thursday, Feb. 2
1/4: Buffalo OPA conducted monthly TV show, "CBP Buffalo-Niagara UPDATE," featuring OFO and Border Patrol recruiters. Show was broadcast live at 1700-1730, will be rebroadcast 12 -15 times during the month of January, then loaded up for streaming indefinitely.
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
12/22: Stampede Studies representatives (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) met with (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) regarding interest in establishing an agreement with CBP to film a series documenting and focusing on CBP's work at international bridges connecting Texas to Mexico. The series would air on History Channel and run for a minimum of six
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episodes. Representatives are now working with HQ OPA and DHS to establish a multi-
media agreement.
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
12/12:
12/7: WIVB-TV in Buffalo will do a news feature on 1/11 on security of area international railroad bridges, covering Border Patrol and OFO activities. Station will air segment during sweeps week in late January 2017. Tone expected: highly positive. Lead: E (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
12/7: Buffalo Field Office DFO and Homeland Security Investigation's Buffalo SAIC will discuss IPR law and seizures in the context of cross-border holiday shopping season on CBP's local TV show, CBP Buffalo-Niagara UPDATE tonight at 5pm. Show will air live, then will be rebroadcast repeatedly during next 30 days, then posted indefinitely for streaming at www.lctv.net . Lead: (b)(6) , (b)(7)(C)
9/7: (b)(6) Renegade 83 productions, recently watched videos on one of the wild mustangs in the TCA Horse Patrol. They are interested in a project that would highlight BP Horse Patrol unit and one of the prisons where our horses are trained. They thought it could make for a great documentary TV show. The production company is based in Los Angeles and creates/produces a lot of different shows for a wide variety of TV networks (www.renegade83.com). They are interested in a show concept that tells the stories of both our patrol unit on horseback and the horse trainer / inmate horse training program. 9/30 UPDATE: Project approved, tentatively slated for November. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
SOCIAL MEDIA:
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@CBPArizona
@CBPSouthTexas
#CBP #AMO Laredo Air and Marine agents rendered first aid and assistance to two vehicle crash victims. More: http://bit.ly/2jwKM3h pic.twitter.com/c2N6NY4CDu
#CBP officers at Laredo Port of Entry arrest @FBIMostWanted fugitive wanted on warrant for Austin murder. More: http://bit.ly/2kNUeQG
#CBP officers seize \$122K in cocaine at Brownsville Port of Entry. Read more: http://bit.ly/2johWXK pic.twitter.com/OZba9Sq9O7
Eagle Pass #CBP Officers seize \$200k worth of meth, intercept human smuggling attempt at Port of Entry. Read more: http://bit.ly/2jMsjmC
Oficiales #CBP en Eagle Pass incautan \$200k de metanfetamina, frustran intento de contrabando de personas. Lea más: http://bit.ly/2jMsjmC
@CBPWestTexas
@CBPSanDiego
#SanDiego #BorderPatrol working w/ @CBSLA @JenniferCBSLA of #KCAL9 and #CBS2 on border security story to air next month. Tune in!
#El Centro #BorderPatrol arrest 2 men, one with warrant, one deported sex offender, after they crossed the border. http://bit.ly/2k9OxOa #CBP

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#BorderPatrol agents in #ElCentro find heroin & meth hidden in pickup's shift console, teenager arrested. http://bit.ly/2kkif5d

HEADQUARTERS:
1/24: (b)(6) reporter for Politico reached out to CBP to confirm reports that Ms. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) has been named Chief of Staff for CBP. The following statement was provided: "Ms. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) joined the Commissioner's Office this week to serve as an advisor. Her current assignment is a temporary political appointment." Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Enforcement:
1/12: NBC reporter (b)(6) is looking to do a story at Harpers Ferry on the Use of Force simulator. LESC has approved. Awaiting date confirmation. Lead (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
HRM/Technology:
1/27 (b)(6) reporter for "Careers & the disABLED" Magazine, is seeking to conduct a phone interview with a CBP employee, who deals with significant mental or physical challenges. The questions will center on this person's role in the Agency, the joy found in working for CBP and the strength of our diverse workforce. After linking with HRM, (b)(6), (b)(7)(c) Executive Secretariat, has been selected and will be interviewed in his office, RRB Rm 2.5 B, via phone, 01 February at 1330 hrs. Lead: (D)(6), (b)(7)(c)
1/30 – Reporter, (b)(6) "Federal Computer Week," is seeking follow-up on the testing phase of CBP's Facial Recognition/Compression Technology, that took place in Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport in mid-September 2016. His deadline is 1400 hrs today (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) OFO, is working the issue. 1/30: Update: Revised deadline is 1400 hrs Tuesday the 31st. OFO is actively working to have a response to us for vetting by the front office no later than mid-morning Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Travel:
12/23: Several travel outlets called to verify whether CBP began asking travelers about their social media accounts. The following statement was provided: "Following Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval, U.S. Customs and

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Border Protection (CBP) added an optional question to the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA) application requesting the voluntary submission of an applicant's social media account identifiers. The question was added as part of the agency's efforts to enhance the vetting of travelers to the United States. Information found in social media

may be used to review ESTA applications to validate legitimate travel, adjudicate VWP ineligibility waivers, and identify potential threats.

Lead:	(b)	(6),	(b)	(7)	(C)	

11/15: Drafting a news release about the Departure Verification System which is part of the Departure Information Systems Test for the use of facial recognition software for air passengers at the Atlanta Hartsfield International Airport. Date for issuance is to be determined.

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Trade:

1/30: ITT and MLex have asked CBP to confirm and comment on previously detained PureCircle shipments of stevia have been cleared.

Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

1/30: ITT asked if the travel ban EO would hinder the processing to trade. Our response, "No, the travel has no bearing on the processing of trade."

Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

1/30: President Trump today issued an executive order directing two regulations to be identified for elimination in connection with every new regulation issued. Section 4 of the executive order states that the directive does not apply to: "(a) regulations issued with respect to a military, national security, or foreign affairs function of the United States; Brian Bradley with ITT wants to know if the highlighted exemptions from the order include CBP trade-related rulemaking? ITT has been directed to DHS on their inquiries involving Eos.

Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

1/26: saw a trade group released some advice it got from CBP about HTS changes and a dumping case that involves some changed HTS codes. Is the below right? If so, does CBP have anything more to add that he should include in his story? ACE will accept entry lines filed with HTS numbers that are not yet in the AD/CVD case reference file HTS tab. Filing the entries as such WILL NOT create a reject. An informational message is all that will be sent back to the broker. It will allow entry as a type 03 with the case number added. If no case number is added then it will not allow a type 03 entry. (This means you will need to correct it later.) This information was submitted out to the trade community via CSMS Message #16-000466 dated 06/07/2016. If an issue is occurring, where a broker cannot file an entry/entry summary, it is due to either a reject for another issue on the entry/entry summary or their filing software. The broker should investigate their error messages and contact their software vendor to ask for the software

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validations to be relaxed to allow for the case number to be filed in conjunction with the HTS number. His deadline is tomorrow at 2 pm for a publication on 1/27, or when we have a response.

Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

1/25: (b)(6),(b)(7)(c) 1, producer for Vice News, is working on a story about child-like sex dolls. Brady has provided news stories out of the UK and Canada on the topic, they are linked below. His questions for CBP are concerning the United States border. He's looking for the law (or confirmation of the absence of laws) governing the importation of these dolls into the United States and whether any seizures have occurred. In researching the topic, I came across the following: https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/19/1305 Related stories: This is the piece from the

UK: https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/2653144/british-cops-investigating-import-and-sale-of-vile-sex-robots-designed-to-look-like-children/ And this is happening in Canada: http://www.thetelegram.com/news/local/2017/1/16/sex-doll-brought-to-st--john-s-court.html 1/26 UPDATE: CMO advised "We have no data on seizures of sex dolls." VICE news will run the story on their nightly show at airs at 7pm. Air date is TBD and the tone of the story (where CBP is concerned) is neutral to positive.

Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

1/24: Zero Point Zero, a small production company out of NY, is working on a series of food issues that delves into the globalized food industry as well as production trends in food consumption. While in the research phase, Zero Point Zero came across the WRO CBP issued on garlic. At this point, I am assessing the need of the production studio to see who best within CBP can assist.

Lead: Lead:

1/23: The new administration issued an executive order pushing back effective dates for new regulations. ITT wants to know if this will affect the 'imports of toxic substance control act' scheduled to go into effect on Jan. 26. 1/26 UPDATE: Proposed response is with CBP FO – "On January 25, 2017, the Office of the Federal Register placed on its public inspection website two notices that delay the effective dates of two final rules, from January 26, 2017, to March 21, 2017. The two final rules amend the CBP regulations relating to:

- (1) the importation into the United States of certain vehicles and engines under the Clean Air Act in order to harmonize the documentation requirements applicable to different classes of vehicles and engines that are subject to the CAA's emission standards (81 FR 94974); and
- (2) the requirement to file a Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) certification when importing into the customs territory of the United States chemicals in bulk form or as part of mixtures and articles containing a chemical or mixture (81 FR 94980).

Both final rules amended the regulations to permit importers to file the required EPA documents with CBP electronically."

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SOUTHWEST BORDER:

1/30: KJRH-TV/Oklahoma reporte ((b)(6), (b)(7)(C) requesting information on why a man from Mexico was not being allowed to enter the U.S. to attend the funeral of a family friend in Oklahoma. OPA did not speak to the specific individual but did provide general information on the humanitarian parole process and requirements. Reporter advised that Oklahoma Senator Lankford was also requesting assistance to allow entry. Neutral to negative tone anticipated. Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
1/30: CNN correspondent (b)(6) s researching a possible story based upon a piece that ran in El Universal http://www.eluniversal.com.mx/articulo/nacion/seguridad/2017/01/30/polleros-desafian-el-muro-de-trump . He requested stats to compare what is happening at SWB locations in relation to fraudulent document intercepts. HQ OFO CMO was able to supply data prepared for a similar recent media inquiry. Data shows a general decrease in intercepts over the last decade. No publication date. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/30: Local El Diario, Televisa, and Telemundo media outlets have contacted OPA/PAL regarding CBP OFO allegedly targeting late night/early morning B1/B2 visa holders alleging that CBP is taking their documents based upon the time they are crossing border CBP advised that we enforce laws associated with proper visa usage at all hours of the day and if media had specific questions on what the B1/B2 allows that they should contact the AMCON in Juarez which issues the document. Also media could not provide an actual instance of this occurring but rather that they are pursuing something they are hearing about. Publication unknown. Neutral to negative tone anticipated. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/27: CNN's
Lead. ((b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/30: [(b)(6) lis expected to be in Nogales Jan. 31 to collect B-Roll footage at the POE and then a ride-along with BP.
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Leads: (b)(6)
1/30: Washington Post is requesting information for two stories: about the fence construction workers, and a twin-factory system and how it affects the company being on both sides of the border. Reporter was told that both topics are not within CBP's scope. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/30: UPDATE to 1/26 report concerning Wall Street Journal reporter wanting to do a phone interview with someone familiar with Nogales, AZ. Request approved today. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/30: CNBC wants to do a story on the role of technology in securing the border; preferably filming an Integrated Fixed towers or a Mobile Surveillance tower. Reporter told via phone that we are not able to support the request at this time. Lead: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)]
1/27: Producer [(b)(6) and photographer (b)(6) with Reuters TV are doing a news segment on fencing and will work with El Centro Sector on 2/8 for day and night for still photos and video shots of the border fencing and infrastructure and unusual terrain of ELC. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/27: The Imperial Valley Press intended to publish a story on 1/28 regarding a 2016 case which an ELC BPA was accused of sexual assault on a Brawley Police Dept. detective. In that matter, the local DA and State Attorney's Office filed no charges due to insufficient evidence. This IVP story will be about a lawsuit filed by the Brawley Police Dept. detective against the Imperial Police Dept., and will likely name the agent who is performing full duties as a BPA. CBP will not comment on any pending litigation Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/27: CNN's
1/27: El Paso Sector Deputy Chief Patrol Agen (b)(6), (b)(7)(c) was invited and spoke to Public Radio in Marfa, Texas as part of a radio news special series called, "West Texas Work". The radio news series features a diversity of people and professions in west Texas. DCPA 1(2)(2)(2)(2)(2)(2)(2)(2)(2)(2)(2)(2)(2)(

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1/27: KVUE-TV (ABC-Austin) Reporter (b)(6) sought an interview from CBP on processing of Cubans since the change in the wet foot/dry foot policy and address why Cubans are stuck in Nuevo Laredo. Consulted with HQ OPA, LFO mgmt. and provided a response statement. Expected airdate: 1/28, expected tone: negative. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/27: (b)(6) Producer for TV-2 in Denmark, (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) arrived in El Paso today, and wants to put together a report focusing on the Trump Administration's commitment to "build a border wall". They are also planning to capture how the sister cities of Ciudad Juarez and El Paso, Texas interconnect. She also is asking for discussion about this, along with a border tour. Request was declined due to a lack of formal vetting/INA, and the context of the story. The DHS query link MediaInquiry@HQ.DHS.gov was provided as a source for information on current executive actions and other matters relative to current homeland security measures. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/27: San Antonio Express-News Photographer in requested to take still photos of volume of trucks, CBP processing of commercial trucks at World Trade Bridge in Laredo to provide illustration for a story regarding the proposed 20 percent tax on Mexican imports to pay for the wall. LFO mgmt., HQOPA concurred. Photographer was escorted by (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) no interview provided. Expected rundate 1/29, expected tone, neutral to negative. Lead:
1/27: The Monitor's (b)(6) asked a series of questions regarding the increase in volume of inadmissibles encountered within Laredo Field Office, whether there is sufficient staffing to address the workload, when was the last staffing increase. Consulted with LFO mgmt.and provided a response statement. Expected rundate: 1/28, Expected tone: negative. Statement
Our latest statistics currently available to the public regarding inadmissibles processed by field office are found here:
https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/stats/ofo-sw-border-inadmissibles
Publically available figures are not broken down beyond these totals.
We are processing these volumes with our current staffing. We adjust staffing according to workload on an as-needed basis.
For security reasons we do not discuss the staffing of specific law enforcement
units. That being said, new officers are hired annually.
Lead: 1 (6)(6), (6)(7)(C)
1/27: (b)(6) with the San Diego Union Tribune requested information about an increase in southbound inspections, specifically inquiring if this was new administration policy. She was provided a statement, per the port, that they are conducting routine outbound inspections. The statement also noted the benefits to these occasional inspections, but that CBP does not comment on the number, frequency, or timing. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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1/26: (b)(6) producer at ABC News "Nightline", is planning on bringing a crew to El Paso on Saturday, Jan. 28 to cover a "Hugs Not Walls" event being sponsored by the local chapter of Border Network of Human Rights (BNHR). The main focus will be talking to the participants of the event, but also are interested in talking to a USBP agent to find out their involvement in granting permits for the event, what they are doing to provide security, how the agency works with groups like BNHR, and how agents work with their counterparts in Mexico to protect the border at times like this. Request is under review. No interviews scheduled or expected. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: A CNN "Drone Team" lead by (b)(6) is collecting aerial video of the southwest border. They appear to be in Tucson and will be heading west all the way to the coast. B-Roll only, no support requested. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(c) 1/26: AMO provided information to local San Diego Channel 8 and 10 on a rescue of a kayak paddler who was in distress. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(c)
1/26: Reporter(b)(6) with Reuters Television requested to do a border fence story. They will get a ride along in El Centro Sector. Date not set but likely sometime between 2/8-2-10. Lead:(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: (b)(6) with the San Diego Union Tribune is working on a series of stories titled, "Life Along the Border." He requested FY16 vehicle and passenger statistics for San Ysidro, Otay Mesa, and Tecate. They were given the updated numbers for FY16 as provided by PPAE. The publish dates are currently TBD.
1/26: Miami Herald Reporter (b)(6) sought comment from CBP regarding a complaint filed Jan. 13 by American Immigration Council and other groups with DHS Inspector General and DHS Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties alleging mistreatment by CBP and systemic denial of Central American asylum claims at ports of entry along the U.SMexico border. Consulting with LFO mgmt., HQ OPA regarding whether to use previous response language or defer to DHS OPA. Expected rundate, weekend Jan. 28-29, expected tone: negative. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(c)
1/26: KVUE-TV (ABC-Austin) photographer (b)(6) advised LFO CMO PAL (b)(6), (b)(7)(c) that he and reporter (b)(6) would be filming in Laredo on Jan. 27 to do stories regarding the border wall and to interview Cubans in Nuevo Laredo. The crew will film from public areas outside the federal inspection service area and will advise when they filming. LFO PAL/PAO has a response statement regarding the processing of Cubans at the ready to be provided electronically should they ask for comment regarding Cuban processing. Crew has been provided the DHS Public Affairs media relations email address for questions regarding the wall, President Trump executive orders. Airdate: TBD, Expected tone: neutral to negative.

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Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26 (b)(6) NPR Phoenix KJZZ, wants to produce a comprehensive story on CBP operations, the technology we use and the threats we uncovered. Story expected to air Jan 30 th and include Border Patrol operations perspective. Tone expected to be a positive/neutral.
Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: (b)(6) , Wall Street Journal, requested a phone interview with someone familiar with Nogales, Ariz., for story on the technologies and infrastructures in place, along with CBP's approach to layered enforcement. Reporter would like to know how these changes have historically affected the City of Nogales. Tone expected to be neutral. Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26 (b)(6) NPR Market Place (radio), wants to do a story focusing on drug seizures across Tucson Sector as part of a special report. Tone expected to be a neutral. Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/25: WTVJ (NBC-Miami) reporter (b)(6) expressed interest in coming down to Laredo the week of Jan. 20-Feb. 3 to do interview, ridealong with Border Patrol. Advised reporter that questions relative to the two executive orders announced by President Trump this week need to be directed to mediainquiry@hq.dhs.gov . (b)(6) has directed request to Eagle Pass/Del Rio area. He was also advised of the need to route to DHS Public Affairs. Consultation with local mgmt., HQ OPA remains ongoing. Expected rundate: TBD, expected tone: neutral to negative. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/25: NBC News Producer (b)(6) advised that an NBC News crew will be in Nuevo Laredo on Jan. 26 and will interview Cubans stuck in Nuevo Laredo and asked if she would be able to do an interview with a CBP official regarding the processing of Cubans since the change in the wet foot/dry foot policy. I advised the producer that Cubans are not stuck in Nuevo Laredo and following concurrence from HQ OPA, LFO mgmt. provided a statement regarding the processing of Cubans as well as the latest available stats. Expected rundate: TBD, expected tone: neutral to negative.
Statement Cuban migrants who present themselves at a port of entry are advised by CBP officers of the current process. Each Cuban is processed on a case by case basis in accordance with applicable provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act and each case varies. If they express a credible fear of return they will be processed by CBP officers and then turned over to ICE-ERO for placement in a detention facility pending the adjudication of their credible fear/asylum claim. The Cuban migrant makes their own decision whether to pursue their credible
fear/asylum claim in the U.S. or to return to Mexico. CBP is not turning anyone away. The decision whether to pursue a credible fear claim rests entirely with the Cuban migrant and what they choose to do. Ports are managing flows commensurate with each port's capacity to safely process

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arriving aliens while providing essential services to ensure their health and safety. OTM Aliens, that were not deemed high risk, are provided with a Government of Mexico social services resource list and an appointment window to return to the POE for processing. https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/stats/ofo-sw-border-inadmissibles Lead: [(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)]
1/25: Laredo Morning Times Reporter (b)(6) sought CBP comment regarding a police report filed by Laredo Port Director (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) alleging harassment. Consulted with LFO mgmt., LFO Office of Assistant Chief Counsel and provided a response statement. Expected rundate: 1/26, expected tone: negative. Statement
In order to respect the privacy rights of our employees and to not impact any potential investigation, CBP is not at liberty to comment on the matter. Questions regarding the case are best directed to Laredo Police Department. Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(c)
1/25: San Diego Sector provided an interview to
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(c)
1/25: (b)(6) Investigative Reporter at KFOX-TV/El Paso, reached out to OPA in El Paso requesting response to an allegation of alleged harassment of two citizens on January 14 by Border Patrol agents in the Chamizal National Park. The allegation is being reviewed, but there has been no formal complaint filed in this instance. Reporter was provided with a statement on 1/24. The segment is expected to air soon.
Statement: As of today, the El Paso Sector Border Patrol has not received any formal complaint from anybody regarding the encounter referenced in your email. El Paso Sector Border Patrol has an excellent track record of being receptive to any complaints filed involving any of our agents. We welcome any feedback from the public and it can be reported at the following numbers: 1-800-767-0189 or 1-877-246-8253. CBP Officers and Border Patrol Agents enforce the nation's laws while preserving the civil rights and civil liberties of all people with whom CBP personnel interact, and all allegations are taken seriously. Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(c)
1/24: KRGV-TV Reporter (b)(6) inquired about shipment of 100 tons of avocados denied entry to the U.S. and asking about impact on people who buy avocados. Coordinating late Tuesday with LFO mgmt., HQ OPA. It appears an agreement between USDA and State of Jalisco regarding avocado exports had not gone through and local recommended guidance is to defer inquiry to USDA PAO. Will follow up Wednesday. Expected rundate 1/24, expected tone: negative. Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

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1/24: San Antonio Express-News Border Bureau reporter advised he was coming to Laredo Wednesday to interview Cubans in Nuevo Laredo and sought an interview regarding processing Cubans in light of the recent wet foot/dry foot processing change. Following consultation with LFO, HQ OPA mgmt. Laredo CBP PAO opted against interview and provided LFO, HQ OPA approved statement regarding processing of Cubans post wet foot/dry foot. Expected rundate: later in week of Jan. 25-27, Expected tone: negative. Statement
Cuban migrants who present themselves at a port of entry are advised by CBP officers of the current process. Each Cuban is processed on a case by case basis in accordance with applicable provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act and each case varies. If they express a credible fear of return they will be processed by CBP officers and then turned over to ICE-ERO for placement in a detention facility pending the adjudication of their credible fear/asylum claim.
The Cuban migrant makes their own decision whether to pursue their credible fear/asylum claim in the U.S. or to return to Mexico. CBP is not turning anyone away. The decision whether to pursue a credible fear claim rests entirely with the Cuban migrant and what they choose to do.
Ports are managing flows commensurate with each port's capacity to safely process arriving aliens while providing essential services to ensure their health and safety. OTM Aliens, that were not deemed high risk, are provided with a Government of Mexico social services resource list and an appointment window to return to the POE for processing. Lead: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)]
1/23: Reporter (b)(6) r with CBS Los Angeles requested a border and tunnel tour for a two-part series they are working on regarding the border, fencing and security. Scheduled for Monday, 1/30. She will bring a videographer named (b)(6) iSME's will be Ops Officer (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) for tunnels, and Watch Commander (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) or Task Force Otay. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/23: Reporter
/23: KRGV-TV News Director Juired asking if Central Americans are being turned away at the bridge, is this new, by what criteria are they being turned away. Consulted with LFO mgmt HQ OPA and provided the metering statement. Initial media inquiry came to HSI/ERO PAO, and CBP responded. Expected rundate: 1/23, expected tone: negative. Statement
Ports are managing flows commensurate with each port's capacity to safely process arriving aliens while providing essential services to ensure their health and safety. OTM Aliens, that were not deemed high risk, are provided with a Government of Mexico social services resource list and an appointment window to return to the POE for processing.

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Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/23: (b)(6) with the Associated Press requested the number of times and dates and duration that protests at the San Diego POEs have impacted Mexico's inbound operations in January. He is updating his previous story: <u>LINK</u> . Based on prior sent notices to media, the following info was provided: 7 th 5:30pm to 9:00pm, 8 ^{th:} 5:30pm to 7:30pm, 15th: 4:00pm to 7:00pm, 22 nd : 12:30 pm to 6:00pm. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/23: San Diego based journalist (b)(6) with CCTV with Chinese TV requested an on camera interview with officers talking with asylum seekers at the port. Request to film was denied however the formulated statement recently used was provided. Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(c)
1/17: RGV PAO coordinated visit for 1-18-17 from NBC News (Los Angeles Office) of Producer (b)(6) and Correspondent (b)(6). Visit will start with a meet and greet with (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) at Sector Headquarters. A ride along tour will be provided of the McAllen and Rio Grande City AOR's for B-roll of agents performing their duties.
Publication Date: TBD Tone: Positive
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 1/17: [(b)(6)], Fox (San Angelo, TX) requested an interview about the deployment of UAS as San Angelo Regional Airport. Pending OPA. Lead (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/13: (b)(6) (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) (b)(6) and (b)(6) from the Mexico and Central American Bureau/Reuters, requested a border tour and visit several months ago, but are not fully vetted for their planned visit to El Paso. No discussion will be provided on future plans by the new administration to incorporate additional fencing/infrastructure, or other speculations on immigration policy. 1/18 update: Interview was provided in English and involved generic questions about local operations, with some emphasis on current violence in Mexico, and whether El Paso is seeing any spill-over. Also inquired about current fencing in west Texas and Mexico, and improvements in infrastructure in recent years. No speculations were provided on those topics with respect to the new administration. Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/12 (b)(6) DC-based Latin American correspondent for McClatchy Newspapers/Miami Herald, was in Laredo, inquired about processing of Cubans and said he interviewed a processed Cuban who claimed to have been the last one processed under wet foot/dry foot, seeking additional comment from CBP. He was referred to DHS Public Affairs. Expected run date: 1/13, expected tone: neutral to negative. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

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	1/11: San Diego Sector received a request from Bloomberg news to have photographer
į	(b)(6) hotograph both Mexican and CBP officials working at the pre-inspection
	facility in Otay Mesa, Mexico. The goal is to illustrate the binational collaboration and
	the economic relationship that exits between the two countries. These images of the
	inspection process would be available for Bloomberg.com, Bloomberg BusinessWeek as
	well as Markets magazine. The images will also be syndicated to clients globally and
	will be available on Getty Images. The Office of Field Operations has approved this
	request. The photographer is also working on getting approval from the Mexican
	government to visit the facility. The request is for January 2017.
	1/18: (b)(6) , photographer for Bloomberg news, was met by CBP and Port
	officials to photograph both Moving and CDD agricultural inspectors working
	officials to photograph both Mexican and CBP agricultural inspectors working
	collaboratively at the pre-inspection facility in Otay Mesa, Mexico. The objective of the
	photos was to illustrate the binational cooperation and the economic relationship that
	exits between the two countries. The images captured were primarily CBP and Mexican
	agricultural inspectors examining produce as well as the loading of produce into the
	containers. These images will be used for Bloomberg.com, Bloomberg BusinessWeek as
	well as Markets magazine. The images will also be syndicated to clients globally and
	will be available on Getty Images.
	Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
	1/9: (b)(6) features producer for VICE News Tonight on HBO had inquired
	about the possibility of VICE News Tonight touring the Donna Temporary Holding
	Facility, conducting an on-camera interview with a CBP official regarding the increase in
	Central American migrants the week of Jan. 17 for a profile story on the facility. Reached
	out to HQ OPA, Motion Pictures and Special Projects, regarding MMA agreement
	needed, requirements, status of SOP regarding limited, escorted media b-roll visits at
	Donna, Tornillo temporary holding facilities.
	Lead (b)(6), (b)(7)(c)
	1/5: (b)(6) CBS5 Phoenix, interviewed Port of Nogales Port Director J
	(b)(6), (b)(7)(c) n-camera interview today at the Mariposa Cargo Facility. The interview and
	b-roll was in reference to CBP's efforts in preventing drugs from entering the U.S. and, at
	the same time, how CBP finds that balance between processing legitimate trade and
	travel while enforcing our laws. The reporter is interviewing DCPA Chavez tomorrow
	morning for a Border Patrol perspective. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

1/5: Multiple local news outlets reporting on protests in Nogales, Sonora asked CBP for comment on disruptions to the Deconcini crossing at the Nogales Port of Entry. The following statement was provided: *Trains transporting goods across the international border in Nogales, Arizona have been temporarily halted due to a protest south of the Port of Nogales' DeConcini railroad crossing. The situation has prompted Mexican officials to close southbound vehicular traffic at that crossing. Southbound travelers should use the Mariposa crossing until further notice. U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers remain vigilant and are ready to begin processing rail shipments once services resume.*

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1/5: (b)(6), KIDY (Fox) San Angelo, contacted CBP OPA requesting a phone nterview on border enforcement issues. Del Rio Border Patrol Sector is prepared to support the request, pending OPA approval, using previously approved talking points and Sector stats. Lead: I(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6) Managing Editor, The Uvalde Leader-News, contacted CBP OPA requesting a phone interview on border enforcement issues. Del Rio Border Patrol Sector s prepared to support the request, pending OPA approval, using previously approved alking points and Sector stats. Lead: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)]
1/05: Albuquerque Journal reporter (b)(6) contacted OPA regarding traffic at the remote Antelope Wells (NM) port of entry. She is developing a story on lagging efforts of Mexican authorities to construct a better road leading from the Mexican interior to the port. No publication date. Neutral to positive tone anticipated. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/5: Multiple media outlets from Midland/Odessa, Alpine, and Marfa are reporting on brotests at the Presidio-Ojinaga POE. The protests are on the Mexican side and have mpacted traffic intermittently for the last three days. Neutral to negative tone anticipated. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), freelance reporter for Al Jazeera English requested information related to CBP UAC/FAMU apprehensions in El Paso. She asked about recent case of newborn child falling ill at Tornillo center and overall process of how CBP handles these groups. OPA provided news releases and links with information as it applied and directed reporter USCIS, ICE/ERO and HHS for answers to non-CBP related questions. Negative to Neutral tone anticipated. No publication date. 21/17 UPDATE: Reporter asked several follow-up questions over weekend including imeline of child's treatment in CBP release (our info was not accurate/child was not released), possible causes for illness of the child, CBP facilities being closed on weekends and thus turning away people seeking asylum. OPA corrected record, did not speculate on medical issues, and advised metering system designed to safely manage flow of migrants that was in place at EP POE has not been in use since Tornillo facility opened. Negative tone anticipated. Still no publication date. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/3: Telemundo-Houston Producer (b)(6) Reporter (b)(6) have proposed having a two-member news crew come down to Laredo Jan. 9-10 to shoot a chree-part series of stories that would focus on human trafficking, CBP efforts to curb it at and between ports, narcotics trafficking/efforts to interdict narcotics at and between ports and armed vigilante, patrolling groups, interactions with them, have they hindered enforcement efforts. Initial Ruiz/Bernal inquiry began just prior to the Christmas nolidays. Reporter submitted information regarding storyline, vetting information for crew, all USCs. Advised reporter that we haven't seen armed vigilante groups as of late.

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The San Antonio Telemundo affiliate requested to film live shots at a border location in
the Eagle Pass area the week of Jan. 16-20, possibly in support of same request; PAO
(b)(6), (b)(7)(c) orking with that request. Draft course of action would include initial LFO 101
briefing, interview with (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) b-roll filming of passenger processing at
Lincoln-Juarez Bridge, interview with Laredo POE mgmt. official regarding local
interdiction efforts, ride-along with USBP to include a line tour inclusive of Interstate 35
checkpoint, interview with a USBP Laredo Sector mgmt. official. Concurrence obtained
at LFO mgmt. level. Sara is routing request through Laredo Sector mgmt. concurrence.
Upon final local concurrence package will be forwarded for HQ OPA concurrence.
Expected tone: neutral.
1/6: Local concurrence obtained, vetting completed, package forwarded to HQ OPA.
Shoot is set up for Jan. 9.
Lead: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
12/13 (b)(6) the new immigration beat reporter for the Ney York Times is
working on a story about the South Texas border and the influx of Central American
immigrants there. The story will explain to readers that the image a lot of Americans have
of Mexicans sneaking their way over the border is no longer the dominant problem, and
that the more pressing concern is the flood of Central Americans (and some Haitians, etc)
seeking asylum who want border patrol to arrest them. The reporter would like to visit the
Rio Grande Valley and see first-hand the operations, facilities or other related locations
that would provide the reporter the best sense of the situation in the part of the border.
Currently we're exploring 12/27-12/30 as a possible date for her visit is an option to visit.
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
12/8: El Paso based Fronteras/NPR reporter (b)(6) sent separate requests to
OFO and OBP asking for assistance in setting up tours for several journalists who are in
the El Paso/Juarez area for a few days as part of the International Women's Media
Foundation fellowship. New York Times reporter (b)(6) and IWMF member
(b)(6) n are interested in seeing OFO commercial operations for a story on
international trade. They are also interested in an OBP line tour. Other journalist names
were also offered however those journalists are non USC's and cannot be vetted in time.
Local management currently reviewing requests. Media hoping to do something before
December 15.
12/13 UPDATE – Crew visited Ysleta cargo facility and interviewed APD [(b)(6), (b)(7)(c)]
(b)(6), (b)(7)(c) opics included general information, trusted trader
programs, enforcement operations – fairly generic. Walking tour followed the
interviews/briefing. OBP line tour set for December 15. All seemed positive. No
publication dates.
12/16: UPDATE – Crew went on OBP line tour led by agents ((b)(6), (b)(7)(c)
Basic OBP information was shared and tour included southern New Mexico
desert area and river enforcement zones in west Texas/El Paso. The interaction was
positive. No publication dates.
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Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

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12/5 (b)(6) LA Times, wants to write a story on the U.S. Border Patrol's Integrated Fixed Towers being deployed along the Arizona border. His interest is in how the Border Patrol is using the technology, if it is successful in comparison with SBI-Net, and how it fits with other pieces of infrastructure. He wants to visit tower sites and C2
(Control Rooms) in Nogales, Arizona. He is hoping for a tour sometime next week. Sending to OPA for approval. Anticipate a neutral story for CBP. 12/8 UPDATE: Engagement delayed until January Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
NORTHERN & COASTAL BORDER:
(b)(6) a reporter with Minnesota Public Radio is currently working on a story in regards to the influx of individuals migrating north into Canada from the United States around Pembina N.D. [b)(6) has requested and been approved to conduct a ride along on Wednesday February 1, to see the harsh condition that these individuals are putting themselves into try to illegally enter Canada and the dangers that they face if they try this. Reporter is also interested in how we work with our Canadian counterparts on a daily basis to combat not just the north bound flow of individuals but also those coming south. Reporter has asked to complete this story and ride along in the Pembina AOR which is just south of the Emerson POE on the Canadian side. Story has been approved by Grand Forks Sector and will be supported by Pembina [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) Reporter interviewed CP/((b)(6), (b)(7)(C) ria telephone in regards to this story. Lead: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/27: CBS News producer (b)(6) inquired is working on a story about the technology and assets USBP in Massena NY uses to overcome the difficult terrain. Deadline: TBD.
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1/26:
seems like Border Patrol agents escort migrants to the Canadian border to then cross into Canada and if there is any potential corruption involved. Deadline: TBD.
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: (b)(6) a reporter from the Erie Times-News (Erie, Pa.) requested information regarding the recent court appearance of a Border Patrol agent assigned to Erie Station for non-felony traffic offenses. A statement had been prepared in advance according to
OPA SOP, and was provided to the reporter. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Statement text given to reporter: "A U.S. Border Patrol Agent assigned to Erie, Pa., was notified on January 19, 2017, by the Millcreek Police Department to present himself to the Magistrate for his initial appearance regarding several traffic incidents he was reportedly involved in on January
14 while in an off-duty capacity. The following misdemeanor counts / summary offences were filed against the agent:
One count of Accident Involving Injury – 1 st degree misdemeanor

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- Two counts of Accident Involving Damage to Attended Vehicle 3rd degree misdemeanor
- One count of Recklessly Endangering Another Person 2nd degree misdemeanor
- Three counts of Duty to Give Info and Render Aid Summary Offence
- One count of Immediate Notice of Accident to Police Summary Offence
- Three counts of Reckless Driving Summary Offence
- Two counts of Driving Vehicle at Safe Speed Summary Offence

After appearing before the Magistrate, the agent was booked and released on a \$50,000 unsecured bond.

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Responsibility are fully cooperating with local authorities handling the case. CBP does not tolerate the misconduct of any employee, and stresses the importance of maintaining the highest levels of professionalism and integrity throughout the organization. 1/24: Reporter (b)(6) from Fox 21 news in Duluth, Minnesota, is working on a story about the economic impact on the North Shore due to Canadian visitors. He has requested to interview the port director at the Grand Portage POE on Jan. 27. The anticipated run date is TBD, but likely early February. Anticipated tone: neutral to positive. Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 1/23: **(b)(6)** reporter for Evolution 107.9 in Burnaby BC Canada requested an over-the-phone interview regarding inspection of cell phones at the Canadian border. Provided him with Electronic search written statement. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(c) 1/20: ABC TV Detroit (WXYZ) reporter (b)(6) has requested to do a story in regards to the UH-60's assigned to the Great Lakes Air and Marine Branch that will be participating in this year's Super Bowl Security in Houston TX. ASR has been completed and submitted for Wednesday January 25. Story will be a piece of how local law enforcement will be assisting in this year's game. Interview for story will be completed with AIA (b)(6) who has flown in previous Super Bowls. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 1/18: (b)(6) a Cultures/Immigration Reporter with the Minneapolis Star Tribune reached out to OPA in Detroit in regards to the current story about individuals migrating north into Canada. (19)(6). was tipped off about the ride along from a fellow reporter at CBC in Winnipeg and has also requested a ride along. Reporter is also looking for information in regards to Asylum cases. Directing those questions to USCIS. Currently working on approvals. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 1/18: (b)(6) reporter with WXIX-TV FOX19 in Cincinnati has reached out to the Chicago Field Office to do a special project/long-format type of story in regards to what

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OFO is seizing and finding in the greater Cincinnati area especially through the express consignment facility. Currently going through approvals to include DHL for story. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/11: (b)(6) a reporter with CBC National out of Winnipeg, Manitoba has reached out to OPA in Detroit in regards to conducting a story on Northern Border operations after a few articles have been published about rising numbers of illegal entries into Canada from the United States. Most recent case involved an individual who illegally entered near the Emerson POE in Manitoba and almost froze to death. Reporter has requested an on camera interview and ride along in the Warroad/Roseau MN AOR. Currently working with Grand Forks Sector as well as RCMP in Winnipeg in regards to this story request. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/11: (b)(6) with Minnesota Public Radio reached out to OPA in Detroit in regards to conducting a story on Northern Border operations after a few articles have been published about rising numbers of illegal entries into Canada from the United States. Most recent case involved an individual who illegally entered near the Emerson POE in Manitoba and almost froze to death. Dan has requested a Radio Interview with CPA (b)(6) for some time next week if possible. Currently working with Grand Forks Sector as well as RCMP in Winnipeg in regards to this story request. 1/20: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) will do a telephonic interview on Monday January 23 rd at 1000hrs Central with MPR Reporter (b)(6)
1/11: (b)(6) the evening news anchor for KBJR-TV in Duluth, MN reached out to OPA in Detroit to do a story on Northern Border Operations in Minnesota. OPA has reached out to the reporter and is awaiting clarification on what exactly KBJR would like to do for their story. 1/18: Have tentatively scheduled story and ride along for Tuesday January 24 with Agents from Warroad, MN. Gathering information for ride along request to be sent to HQ. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/5: Georgia <u>Public Broadcasting</u> (NPR) Reporter, [(b)(6)] contacted OPA Atlanta to produce a feature story on CBP/OFO operations, i.e. "A Day At" Hartsfield Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL). Taping completed, reporter said local editor may submit for national NPR consideration. Air date is TBD. Tone: positive Lead: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)]
1/5: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)] a reporter for WNBC in New York City, called for information regarding a possible ring operating around the Port of Newark exporting stolen rental cars. Reporter indicates no deadline for information requested. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

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10/20: Reporter/historian [(b)(6)] of KIRO radio in Seattle inquired regarding the history of the border between Canada and the U.S., particularly Washington state and British Columbia. His questions and comments include: "Tell me about the history of the border between Washington state and British Columbia. CBP historians are looking into it and will provide information regarding the inquiry. Reporter wanted to do a taped interview Oct. 21, however, due to the complexity of the request it will be pushed back until the information can be compiled. Anticipated tone is positive to neutral.
11/16: Reporter referred to International Boundary Commission. 1/24: Update: Reporter interviewed personnel with the International Boundary Commission and reached back to CBP for comment on the following questions and was provided the respective answers: 1. Does USCBP staff ever interface with IBC staff when IBC staff are doing their work along the Washington/British Columbia border? If so, can you describe how often, what that looks like, etc.: The U.S. Border Patrol in Blaine Sector does interact with the International Boundary Commission on occasion. IBC supervisors and station leadership have met (or been notified via telephone or email) in advance of projects of joint concern prior to work being done. (The Border Patrol is interested in being notified of any legitimate activity occurring at or near the border). Informal interaction between IBC workers and Border Patrol Agents occur between agents in the field and IBC workers on the border incidental to each working in the same area. 2. Is there some kind of regular administrative communication between USCBP and IBC staff? How often? How formal/informal, etc.?: There does not currently exist regular formal scheduled administrative communication between the IBC and U.S. Border Patrol in Blaine, Washington. However, the agencies are familiar enough about each other's mission,
there is communication whenever one agency's work may impact the other. An example would be when the IBC is going to perform maintenance or brush clearing on the border the IBC would contact Blaine Sector and/or station leadership and let them know they will be working in the area at a particular place and time. This information would be passed down to the agents in the field so they are aware of this activity on or near the border. Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
NEWS RELEASES:
1/30: CBP PAO posted news release regarding assistance rendered by Laredo Air and Marine agents to two vehicle crash victims. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/30: CBP PAO posted a news release regarding an FBI 10 Most Wanted Fugitive arrested by CBP officers at Laredo POE. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/30: CBP PAO posted news release regarding \$122K in cocaine seized by CBP officers at Brownsville Port of Entry. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(c)

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1/30; CBP	OPA issued a news release about a methamphetamine seizure and the	
prevention	of a human smuggling attempt at the Eagle Pass, TX Port of Entry.	
Lead:	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	
1/30: Tucso	on Field Office Release about the seizure of 105 pounds of marijuana at the	
Port of Luk	eville.	
Lead:	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	
1/30: CBP	OPA distributed a news release related to the arrest of two men, a previous	ly
deported se	ex offender and a wanted man with a warrant.	
Lead:	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	
	OPA distributed a news release related to the seizure of narcotics hidden	
inside a pic		
Lead: [(o)(6), (b)(7)(C)	

CBP WRAP:

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From: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Sent: Friday, January 27, 2017 9:06 AM

To: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Subject: FW: OFO Daily News Summary 27 January 2017

Attachments:

N R 20170126 Brownsville CBP Officer's Prompt Action Saves the Life of Traveler

Suffering from Heart Attack.doc; CBP Officer (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) at the port of entry.JPG; CBP Officer (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) JPG; N R 20170125 Multiple Seizures at

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Assistant Director, Border Security

Seattle Field Office

OFO - U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Seattle, Washington

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From: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Sent: Friday, January 27, 2017 6:00 AM

Subject: OFO Daily News Summary 27 January 2017



FIELD OPERATIONS DAILY NEWS SUMMARY Friday, January 27, 2017



OFO EXECUTIVE ITEMS

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MEDIA DIVISION DAILY REPORT

OFO EXECUTIVE ITEMS:

INTERNATIONAL:

NBC News.com - White House Floats 20 Percent Tax on Mexican Imports to Pay for Border Wall

NBC News reports President Donald Trump has not formally proposed a 20 percent tax on Mexican imports to pay for his controversial border wall and is instead considering it among a series of options, White House spokesman Sean Spicer said Thursday. "The goal today is not to be prescriptive. It's to basically say: Hey, here is a way in which the wall can be paid for extremely easy and not say 'this is what we're doing,'" Spicer told reporters. "This is not what we're rolling out."

NATIONAL:

Biometric Update.com - Trump's executive order on immigration addresses biometric entry-exit tracking system

Biometric Update reports President Donald Trump signed an executive order Wednesday which includes a series of initiatives to address immigration, including a proposal to establish a national biometric ID program for non-citizens entering and leaving the U.S., according to a report by Payments Source. According to a draft executive order leaked to civil rights advocates and obtained by The Washington Post, one of the measures of the executive order calls for an "Expedited Completion of Biometric Entry-Exit Tracking System". Section 8 of the executive order draft reads: "The Secretary of DHS shall expedite the completion and implementation of biometric entry-exit tracking system for all travelers to the U.S., as recommended by the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the U.S."

Federal Soup.com - CBP gets personnel boost in executive order

Federal Soup reports following through on his campaign promise to tackle immigration, Donald Trump has issued an executive order outlining his immigration plan, which includes a boost in personnel for one federal agency. CBP will need to hire 5,000 additional Border Patrol agents as part of the executive order issued on Jan. 25. The order also states that all necessary action must be taken by the CBP commissioner to "ensure that such agents enter on duty and are assigned to duty stations as soon as is practicable."

Washington Post.com - Draft executive order would begin 'extreme vetting' of immigrants and visitors to the U.S.

Washington Post reports the Trump administration plans to start vetting would-be immigrants and visitors to the United States based partly on their opinions and ideology, and will immediately cease the resettlement of Syrian refugees in the United States, according to a draft executive order leaked Wednesday to civil rights advocates and obtained by The Washington Post. The order, if enacted, would signal the beginning of the "extreme vetting" that President Trump promised on the campaign trail, as well as partial implementation of the "Muslim ban," according to civil rights advocates.

USA TODAY.com - Security shortcut Clear expands to more airports

USA TODAY reports thanks to TSA PreCheck, Global Entry and a variety of other programs that pre-vet travelers, 12 million people are now eligible to access the expedited screening lanes at U.S. airports. But even with increased TSA staffing levels and the addition of automated screening lanes at some airports, many trusted travelers still end up waiting in long lines to get their IDs checked by TSA before they can even gain access to the expedited lanes.

LOCAL:

Tucson.com - More drug profits slipping into Mexico as border seizures plummet

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) daughter needed braces, so she decided to smuggle drug profits into Mexico for a cartel. The Chandler resident was caught with \$9,998 in her purse and wallet as she drove through the Nogales port of entry on March 15, U.S. District Court records show. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) r, 45, told customs officers she picked up the cash from a man in a Costco parking lot in Mesa. She was supposed to deliver it to an ice cream shop in Sonora in exchange for the down payment on her daughter's orthodontia. The seized money was just below the \$10,000 cash reporting requirement, a tool used by CBPO's to prevent illicit cash smuggling. But as (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) case shows, CBP officers also can seize any amount of money if they believe it's the result of illegal activity.

Star Herald.com - U.S. Senator Deb Fischer seeks details on immigration information collection

Star Herald reports U.S. Senator Deb Fischer (R-Neb.) today sent a letter to DHS Secretary John Kelly asking for details about the new administration's plan to collect information on immigrants entering and exiting the country. In the letter, Fischer asks three specific questions regarding the administration's efforts to keep our country safe by establishing a comprehensive biometric entry-exit system.

DVIDShub.net - Trusted Traveler Program

DVIDS reports as of Dec. 1, 2016, Holloman Air Force Base, N.M. adjusted its security policies by adopting the Trusted Traveler Program. "This program was put in place in order to alleviate traffic congestion at the main gate which was a potential vulnerability and safety concern," said (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) the 49th Security Forces Squadron commander. "A primary benefit of the program is that it decreases the amount of time it takes for personnel to enter the installation"

FEATURED STORIES:

Brownsville CBP Officer's Prompt Action Saves the Life of Traveler Suffering from Heart Attack - Brownsville (b)(6),(b)(7)(c) quick action and CPR skills helped save the life of a traveler suffering from a cardiac arrest. "I saw the situation and all of the training kicked in," he said

<u>Port Everglades Says Goodbye to K9 Vandy</u> - On Jan. 25, CBP in Port Everglades' A-TCET laid to rest K9 Vendy after she was unexpectedly diagnosed with cancer. She served her unit distinctively and with honor, unconditionally committed on a daily basis.

OFO PRESS ACTIVITIES:

Laredo - Brownsville CBP Officer's Prompt Action Saves the Life of Traveler Suffering from Heart Attack

Laredo - Customs and Border Protection Officers Seize \$1.3 Million in Narcotics in Five Seizures at the Brownsville Port of Entry

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OFO Briefings

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Date: 01/27/2017	
•	ff from the House Ways and Means Committee and House Committee on
Participants:	CBP's Mutual Recognition Agreement process and current landscape. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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Date: 01/27/2017	
Subject: Briefing for Rep. C times and staffing at Saipan	regorio Kilili Camacho Sablan (Northern Mariana Islands) to discuss wait nternational Airport.
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Participants: (b)(6), (l) Date: 01/30/2017 Subject: Recurring weekly be regarding an update on border Participants: A	riefing for staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Committees migration trends. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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	th Rep. Filemon Vela (D-TX-34), Ranking Member of the House Committee
on Homeland Security, Subc	ommittee on Border and Maritime Security, ahead of the February 16, 2017
hearing regarding Transnation Participants: [nal Criminal Organization (TCO) threats. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

	Subject: Briefing for staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Committees regarding an update on
	biometric entry-exit. Participants: Acting Commissioner McAlconon will participate (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) accordinating
	Participants: Acting Commissioner McAleenan will participate. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) coordinating.
•	Date: 01/31/2017
	Subject: Briefing for staff from the House Committee on Homeland Security regarding an update on
	biometric entry-exit.
	Participants: Acting Commissioner McAleenan will participate. [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) s coordinating.
•	Date: 01/31/2017
	Subject: Member meeting with Rep. Martha McSally (R-AZ-2), Chairwoman of the House Committee on
	Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security ahead of the February 16, 2017
	hearing regarding Transnational Criminal Organization (TCO) threats.
	Participants: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
•	Date: 02/02/2017
	Subject: Classified briefing for Members of the House Committee on Homeland Security regarding the
	"State of the Border."
	Participants: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
•	Date: 02/02/2017
	Subject: Briefing for staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, Subcommittees on
	Homeland Security regarding OPR and the polygraph program. Participants: A (6)(6)(6)(7)(6)
	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
•	Date: 02/03/2017
•	Subject: Briefing for staff from the Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland
	Security regarding CDSOA interest and bonding collection issues.
	Participants: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
•	Date: 02/07/2017
	Subject: Member meeting with Rep. Henry Cuellar (D-TX-28) to discuss Laredo Sector.
	Participants: ((b)(6), (b)(7)(C)) will participate. ((b)(6), (b)(7)(C) is coordinating.
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<u>C(</u>	ongressional Delegations without Members (STAFFDEL)
•	January 27: Staff from the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee will visit the new NTC
	facility in Sterling and receive a briefing on NTC Cargo operations. (b)(6), (b)(7)(c) (OCA) is coordinating.
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•	February 20-22: Sens. John Cornyn (R-TX), Thom Tillis (R-NC), Dean Heller (R-NV), and John Kennedy
	(R-LA) will receive an aerial orientation of the RGV and DRT, as well as a DRT Sector HQ briefing from
	USBP. (b)(6), (b)(7)(c) OCA) is coordinating.

• February 22: Rep. Paul Ryan (R-WI-1), Speaker of the House, will tour DHS operations in and around McAllen, TX. The Speaker will likely be accompanied by a small group of select Members (TBD). [1.1]
[(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)](OCA) is coordinating.

Hearings

•	February 16: Director Paul Beeson (JTF-W) will testify before the House Committee on Homeland		
	Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security during a hearing regarding Transnational		Transnational
	Criminal Organization (TCO) threats.	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) will also testify. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	OCA) is coordinating.	

- February 16 (tentative): The House Oversight and Government Reform Committee will host a hearing regarding maritime cargo security, including 100% scanning. DHS and CBP witnesses will be invited to testify. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) (OCA) is coordinating.
- March TBD (tentative): The House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security will hold a hearing regarding DHS Southern Border and Approaches Campaign Joint Task Force (JTF) operations to address TCO threats. The Subcommittee is expected to invite the three JTF Directors to testify. [(b)(6), (b)(7)(c)] (OCA) is coordinating.

DHS Hearings

None.

Events

None.

Notes

• The House and Senate are in adjournment January 25-27, 2017.

Media Division Daily Media Report Friday, January 27, 2017

GUIDANCE: Entries in **blue** are new or updated. **Black** entries previously mentioned. The submission starts with the date posted on the DMR. For media inquiries, submissions should identify the outlet, name of the reporter(s), topic, request and deadline. For events, submissions should include the following details: date, time, address, label and title of principal officials attending/speaking, type of event.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

C1/C2 EVENTS:

Congress, SLT, NGO, OTR:

MEDIA EVENTS:

VALENTINE'S DAY 2017

1/26: Atlanta Field Office will host local press on February 7 th 10 am at Delta cargo warehouse (ATL) highlighting CBP inspection of cut flowers. PD ((b)(6), (b)(7)(C)) s lead interview, filming of CBP Ag Specialists on the job and interview with inspector. Requesting available OFO stats. Air date: same day Tone: Positive Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
NYFO will be holding a media availability on Tuesday 7 February at JFK (TBD) to speak to CBP SMEs (Chief (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) about CBP's role in inspecting stem cut flowers leading up to Valentine's Day. Invited Media will have the opportunity to collect b-roll of CBP Agriculture Specialists performing inspections of the flowers, as well as conducting on-camera interviews in English and/or Spanish respectively with the two CBP SMEs. Lead: A (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) Air Date: TBD. Positive Tone Expected.
1/19: The Miami Field Office, in coordination with Miami International Airport Directo (b)(6) and Director of the Miami-Dade Aviation Department will hold its annual cut flowers press event at the Centurion Air Cargo Warehouse during the week of Feb. 6. Agenda will include opening remarks, media questions and answers, filming of flower inspections, as well as interviews with CBPO inspectors. Local CMO is working on cut flower stats. Who from HQ will participate? Miami event will be lead office, kicking off cut flower season. Vis Comms services requested for b-roll, photos, video. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/19: Potential open press events in New York, Los Angeles, Boston and Atlanta. Additional details and confirmations to come.
1/19: CNBC is doing a piece on counterfeit personal care items/fragrances ahead of Valentine's Day. They will visit the Port of New York/Newark (TBD) to interview CBP SME ((b)(6), (b)(7)(C)) on camera (not live) about FY16 stats/trends, the dangers of counterfeit fragrances, what CBP is doing to combat, etc., as well as get footage of seized products and b-roll of CBPOs performing inspections. Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(c) Air Date: TBD. Neutral to Positive Tone Expected.
SPECIAL PROJECTS:
1/18: (b)(6) from New York City-based company, TK Digital, wants to visit a USBP sector in February in order to get a ground tour on the southern border with agents to gather information, interviews and footage for a Japanese TV show called "Sekai Gyoten News" (translates to "World's Astonishing News". Currently under review. Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/9: OPA is coordinating with NSSE on Super Bowl coverage in Houston focusing on CBP's role in security, etc. UPDATE: NFL Security Presser slated for Jan. 31. DHS rep TBD. AMO will participate in an Air Security Press Conference on Jan. 31; CBP will join ICE and NFL for an IPR press conference Feb. 2 Other media availabilities will be scheduled to include OFO NII operations and AMO Air operations between Jan. 30-Feb. 5 Draft Operation Team Player Joint Press Release (with ICE as the lead) is currently with the FO for approval of C1 quote. ICE anticipates that the release will go out on Thursday, Feb. 2
1/4: Buffalo OPA conducted monthly TV show, "CBP Buffalo-Niagara UPDATE," featuring OFO and Border Patrol recruiters. Show was broadcast live at 1700-1730, will be rebroadcast 12 -15 times during the month of January, then loaded up for streaming indefinitely. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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12/22: Stampede Studies representatives (b)(6) and (b)(6) met with (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) legarding interest in establishing an agreement with CBP to film a series documenting and focusing on CBP's work at international bridges connecting Texas to Mexico. The series would air on History Channel and run for a minimum of six episodes. Representatives are now working with HQ OPA and DHS to establish a multi-media agreement. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
12/12: (b)(6) Production Supervisor/Location Scout Manager contacted OPA requesting opportunity to scout El Paso area POE's for an unnamed/unannounced FOX film project described as a contemporary feature about border and cartel subjects. Crew is also looking to scout border area from a rented aircraft. OPA working to support both requests. Crews should be in area Dec 13-17. They understand there is a script review process before any government resources can be devoted to any actual filming and will initiate such if the scouting is fruitful. 12/14: UPDATE crew scouted the BOTA and PDN crossings escorted by OPA (D)(6), (D)(7)(C) No issues/no more news on the project. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
12/7: WIVB-TV in Buffalo will do a news feature on 1/11 on security of area international railroad bridges, covering Border Patrol and OFO activities. Station will air segment during sweeps week in late January 2017. Tone expected: highly positive. Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(c)
12/7: Buffalo Field Office DFO and Homeland Security Investigation's Buffalo SAIC will discuss IPR law and seizures in the context of cross-border holiday shopping season on CBP's local TV show, CBP Buffalo-Niagara UPDATE tonight at 5pm. Show will air live, then will be rebroadcast repeatedly during next 30 days, then posted indefinitely for streaming at www.lctv.net . Lead: (b)(6) , (b)(7)(c)
9/7: Renegade 83 productions, recently watched videos on one of the wild mustangs in the TCA Horse Patrol. They are interested in a project that would highlight BP Horse Patrol unit and one of the prisons where our horses are trained. They thought it could make for a great documentary TV show. The production company is based in Los Angeles and creates/produces a lot of different shows for a wide variety of TV networks (www.renegade83.com). They are interested in a show concept that tells the stories of both our patrol unit on horseback and the horse trainer / inmate horse training program. 9/30 UPDATE: Project approved, tentatively slated for November. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
SOCIAL MEDIA:
@CBPArizona
@CBPBuffalo
@CBPCaribbean #CBP #USCG #PoliciadePuertoRico intercept 4 yolas with 126 migrants. http://bit.ly/2kxUROy/
@CBPChicago
@CBPFlorida
@CBPLosAngeles

@CBPMidAtlantic
@CBPGreatlakes
@CBPGreatPlains
@CBPNorthwest
@CBPNortheast @CBPNorthEast Waiting to complete your #GlobalEntry enrollment? Try CBP's new Enrollment Center
@Bradley_Airport http://bit.ly/2jtVLgZ
@CBPRGV
@CBPSouthEast Quick action by a Brownsville #CBP officer helped save a passenger who suffered cardiac arrest. Read more: http://bit.ly/2jjOcX7 pic.twitter.com/IaunZKghgE Always vigilant: Brownsville POE #CBP officers intercept \$1.3 million in narcotics in five seizures. More: http://bit.ly/2kylvec pic.twitter.com/LMIK7KoAbE Laredo Explorer Post 2304 today honored @unitedisd enforcement award honoreepic.twitter.com/JA2M9L5dcl @CBPSouthTexas
@CBPWestTexas @CBPSanDiego
#ElCentro #BorderPatrol agents arrest 44 people hiding inside several train boxcars. Read: http://bit.ly/2jBBp2Z A 60-yr-old man arrested after #BorderPatrol agents in #ElCentro find almost \$500K of narcotics stuffed in his minivan seats. http://bit.ly/2k5D2Jl HEADQUARTERS: 1/24: Ted Hesson, reporter for Politico reached out to CBP to confirm reports that (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) has been named Chief of Staff for CBP. The following statement was provided: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) oined the Commissioner's Office this week to serve as an advisor. Her current assignment is a temporary political appointment." Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Enforcement:
1/12: NBC reporter (b)(6), (b)(7)(c) is looking to do a story at Harpers Ferry on the Use of Force simulator. LESC has approved. Awaiting date confirmation. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
HRM/Technology:
1/26: KOLD/KMSB Tucson reporter, (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) equested Border Patrol hiring numbers both nationally and locally (Tucson). Also she asked about projected attrition for Tucson and where are the next hiring events. HRM tasking has the information. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

	ercept," is seeking responses to four questions related to the
Remote Video Surveillance System (RVSS) w	ith an initial deadline of 1330 hrs, 26 January. He has since
revised his deadline to 0900 hrs, 27 January. R	equest has been submitted to BP's RVSS Program Office. We
are awaiting a response.	
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	

Travel:

12/23: Several travel outlets called to verify whether CBP began asking travelers about their social media accounts. The following statement was provided:

"Following Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) added an optional question to the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA) application requesting the voluntary submission of an applicant's social media account identifiers. The question was added as part of the agency's efforts to enhance the vetting of travelers to the United States. Information found in social media may be used to review ESTA applications to validate legitimate travel, adjudicate VWP ineligibility waivers, and identify potential threats.

"CBP remains committed to protecting the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all travelers. CBP will handle the voluntarily-provided social media identifiers in the same manner as other information collected through ESTA and has documented these procedures in the newly updated System of Notice Records Notice and Privacy Impact Assessment available at dhs.gov/privacy."

Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

11/15: Drafting a news release about the Departure Verification System which is part of the Departure Information Systems Test for the use of facial recognition software for air passengers at the Atlanta Hartsfield International Airport. Date for issuance is to be determined.

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1/25 **(b)(6)** producer for Vice News, is working on a story about child-like sex dolls **(b)(6)** has provided news stories out of the UK and Canada on the topic, they are linked below. His questions for CBP are concerning the United States border. He's looking for the law (or confirmation of the absence of laws) governing the importation of these dolls into the United States and whether any seizures have occurred. In researching the topic, I came across the following: https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/19/1305 Related stories: This is the piece from the UK: https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/2653144/british-cops-investigating-import-and-sale-of-vile-sex-robots-designed-to-look-like-children/ And this is happening in Canada: http://www.thetelegram.com/news/local/2017/1/16/sex-doll-brought-to-st--john-s-court.html 1/26 UPDATE: CMO advised "We have no data on seizures of sex dolls." VICE news will run the story on their

nightly show at airs at 7pm. Air date is TBD and the tone of the story (where CBP is concerned) is neutral to positive. Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(c)
1/24: Zero Point Zero, a small production company out of NY, is working on a series of food issues that delves into the globalized food industry as well as production trends in food consumption. While in the research phase, Zero Point Zero came across the WRO CBP issued on garlic. At this point, I am assessing the need of the production studio to see who best within CBP can assist. Lead: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(1) the importation into the United States of certain vehicles and engines under the Clean Air Act in order to harmonize the documentation requirements applicable to different classes of vehicles and engines that are subject to the CAA's emission standards (81 FR 94974); and
(2) the requirement to file a Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) certification when importing into the customs territory of the United States chemicals in bulk form or as part of mixtures and articles containing a chemical or mixture (81 FR 94980).
Both final rules amended the regulations to permit importers to file the required EPA documents with CBP electronically." Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
SOUTHWEST BORDER:
1/26 (b)(6) producer at ABC News "Nightline", is planning on bringing a crew to El Paso on Saturday, Jan. 28 to cover a "Hugs Not Walls" event being sponsored by the local chapter of Border Network of Human Rights (BNHR). The main focus will be talking to the participants of the event, but also are interested in talking to a USBP agent to find out their involvement in granting permits for the event, what they are doing to provide security, how the agency works with groups like BNHR, and how agents work with their counterparts in Mexico to protect the border at times like this. Request is under review. No interviews scheduled or expected. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: A CNN "Drone Team" lead by (b)(6) is collecting aerial video of the southwest border. They appear to be in Tucson and will be heading west all the way to the coast. B-Roll only, no support requested. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 1/26: AMO provided information to local San Diego Channel 8 and 10 on a rescue of a kayak paddler who was in distress. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: Reporter ((b)(6) with Reuters Television requested to do a border fence story. They will get a ride along in El Centro Sector. Date not set but likely sometime between 2/8-2-10. Lead: (b)(6)(b)(7)(5)
1/26: (b)(6) with the San Diego Union Tribune is working on a series of stories titled, "Life Along the Border." He requested FY16 vehicle and passenger statistics for San Ysidro, Otay Mesa, and Tecate. They were given the updated numbers for FY16 as provided by PPAE. The publish dates are currently TBD.
1/26: Miami Herald Reporter (b)(6) sought comment from CBP regarding a complaint filed Jan. 13 by American Immigration Council and other groups with DHS Inspector General and DHS Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties alleging mistreatment by CBP and systemic denial of Central American asylum

claims at ports of entry along the U.SMexico border. Consulting with LFO mgmt., HQ OPA regarding whether to use previous response language or defer to DHS OPA. Expected rundate, weekend Jan. 28-29, expected tone: negative. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: KVUE-TV (ABC-Austin) photographe (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) would be filming in Laredo on Jan. 27 to do stories regarding the border wall and to interview Cubans in Nuevo Laredo. The crew will film from public areas outside the federal inspection service area and will advise when they filming. LFO PAL/PAO has a response statement regarding the processing of Cubans at the ready to be provided electronically should they ask for comment regarding Cuban processing. Crew has been provided the DHS Public Affairs media relations email address for questions regarding the wall, President Trump executive orders. Airdate: TBD, Expected tone: neutral to negative. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: (b)(6) NPR Phoenix KJZZ, wants to produce a comprehensive story on CBP operations, the technology we use and the threats we uncovered. Story expected to air Jan 30 th and include Border Patrol operations perspective. Tone expected to be a positive/neutral. Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: (b)(6) , Wall Street Journal, requested a phone interview with someone familiar with Nogales, Ariz., for story on the technologies and infrastructures in place, along with CBP's approach to layered enforcement. Reporter would like to know how these changes have historically affected the City of Nogales. Tone expected to be neutral. Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26 (b)(6) NPR Market Place (radio), wants to do a story focusing on drug seizures across Tucson Sector as part of a special report. Tone expected to be a neutral. Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/25: WTVJ (NBC-Miami) reporter (b)(6) expressed interest in coming down to Laredo the week of Jan. 20-Feb. 3 to do interview, ridealong with Border Patrol. Advised reporter that questions relative to the two executive orders announced by President Trump this week need to be directed to mediainquiry@hq.dhs.gov . Pipitone has directed request to Eagle Pass/Del Rio area. He was also advised of the need to route to DHS Public Affairs. Consultation with local mgmt., HQ OPA remains ongoing. Expected rundate: TBD, expected tone: neutral to negative. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/25: NBC News Producer (b)(6) advised that an NBC News crew will be in Nuevo Laredo on Jan. 26 and will interview Cubans stuck in Nuevo Laredo and asked if she would be able to do an interview with a CBP official regarding the processing of Cubans since the change in the wet foot/dry foot policy. I advised the producer that Cubans are not stuck in Nuevo Laredo and following concurrence from HQ OPA, LFO mgmt. provided a statement regarding the processing of Cubans as well as the latest available stats. Expected rundate: TBD, expected tone: neutral to negative. Statement
Cuban migrants who present themselves at a port of entry are advised by CBP officers of the current process. Each Cuban is processed on a case by case basis in accordance with applicable provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act and each case varies.
If they express a credible fear of return they will be processed by CBP officers and then turned over to ICE-ERO for placement in a detention facility pending the adjudication of their credible fear/asylum claim. The Cuban migrant makes their own decision whether to pursue their credible fear/asylum claim in the U.S. or to return to Mexico. CBP is not turning anyone away. The decision whether to pursue a credible fear claim rests entirely with the Cuban migrant and what they choose to do. Ports are managing flows commensurate with each port's capacity to safely process arriving aliens while

providing essential services to ensure their health and safety. OTM Aliens, that were not deemed high risk, are provided with a Government of Mexico social services resource list and an appointment window to return to the POE for processing. https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/stats/ofo-sw-border-inadmissibles Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/25: Laredo Morning Times Reporter (b)(6) ought CBP comment regarding a police report filed by (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) alleging harassment. Consulted with LFO mgmt., LFO Office of Assistant Chief Counsel and provided a response statement. Expected rundate: 1/26, expected tone: negative. Statement
In order to respect the privacy rights of our employees and to not impact any potential investigation, CBP is not at liberty to comment on the matter. Questions regarding the case are best directed to Laredo Police Department.
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/25: San Diego Sector provided an interview to (b)(6) a CNN español News Correspondent on general info about the San Diego Sector on local apps, drugs seizures, and present infrastructure. No talk of politics or policies or wall. Footage expected to air tonight. Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(c)
1/25: (b)(6) Investigative Reporter at KFOX-TV/El Paso, reached out to OPA in El Paso requesting response to an allegation of alleged harassment of two citizens on January 14 by Border Patrol agents in the Chamizal National Park. The allegation is being reviewed, but there has been no formal complaint filed in this instance. Reporter was provided with a statement on 1/24. The segment is expected to air soon. Statement:
As of today, the El Paso Sector Border Patrol has not received any formal complaint from anybody regarding the encounter referenced in your email. El Paso Sector Border Patrol has an excellent track record of being receptive to any complaints filed involving any of our agents. We welcome any feedback from the public and it can be reported at the following numbers: 1-800-767-0189 or 1-877-246-8253. CBP Officers and Border Patrol Agents enforce the nation's laws while preserving the civil rights and civil liberties of all people with whom CBP personnel interact, and all allegations are taken seriously.
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/24: KRGV-TV Reporter (b)(6) inquired about shipment of 100 tons of avocados denied entry to the U.S. and asking about impact on people who buy avocados. Coordinating late Tuesday with LFO mgmt., HQ OPA. It appears an agreement between USDA and State of Jalisco regarding avocado exports had not gone through and local recommended guidance is to defer inquiry to USDA PAO. Will follow up Wednesday. Expected rundate 1/24, expected tone: negative.
Lead (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/24: San Antonio Express-News Border Bureau reporter (b)(6) advised he was coming to Laredo Wednesday to interview Cubans in Nuevo Laredo and sought an interview regarding processing Cubans in light of the recent wet foot/dry foot processing change. Following consultation with LFO, HQ OPA mgmt. Laredo CBP PAO opted against interview and provided LFO, HQ OPA approved statement regarding processing of Cubans post wet foot/dry foot. Expected rundate: later in week of Jan. 25-27, Expected tone: negative. Statement
Cuban migrants who present themselves at a port of entry are advised by CBP officers of the current process. Each Cuban is processed on a case by case basis in accordance with applicable provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act and each case varies. If they express a credible fear of return they will be processed by CBP officers and then turned over to ICE-

ERO for placement in a detention facility pending the adjudication of their credible fear/asylum claim. The Cuban migrant makes their own decision whether to pursue their credible fear/asylum claim in the U.S. or to return to Mexico. CBP is not turning anyone away. The decision whether to pursue a credible fear claim rests entirely with the Cuban migrant and what they choose to do. Ports are managing flows commensurate with each port's capacity to safely process arriving aliens while providing essential services to ensure their health and safety. OTM Aliens, that were not deemed high risk, are provided with a Government of Mexico social services resource list and an appointment window to return to the POE for processing. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 1/23: Reporter (b)(6) with CBS Los Angeles requested a border and tunnel tour for a two-part series they are working on regarding the border, fencing and security. Scheduled for Monday, 1/30. She will bring a videographer named (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) ME's will be Ops Officer Robert Lenoir for tunnels, and Watch Commander Matt Dreyer for Task Force Otay. PAL (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) for Rolling BIS tour. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 1/23: Reporter (b)(6) with the Voice of America had visited the Friendship Circle at the Border Field State Park in San Diego over the weekend, an area opened to the public. He requested responses to several basic questions about our fencing, challenges, and statistics for SDC. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(c) /23: KRGV-TV News Director (b)(6) inquired asking if Central Americans are being turned away at the bridge, is this new, by what criteria are they being turned away. Consulted with LFO mgmt.. HQ OPA and provided the metering statement. Initial media inquiry came to HSI/ERO PAO, and CBP responded. Expected rundate: 1/23, expected tone: negative. Statement Ports are managing flows commensurate with each port's capacity to safely process arriving aliens while providing essential services to ensure their health and safety. OTM Aliens, that were not deemed high risk, are provided with a Government of Mexico social services resource list and an appointment window to return to the POE for processing. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 1/23: **(b)(6)** It with the Associated Press requested the number of times and dates and duration that protests at the San Diego POEs have impacted Mexico's inbound operations in January. He is updating his previous story: LINK. Based on prior sent notices to media, the following info was provided: 7th 5:30pm to 9:00pm, 8^{th:} 5:30pm to 7:30pm, 15th: 4:00pm to 7:00pm, 22nd: 12:30 pm to 6:00pm. Lead (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 1/23: San Diego based journalist (b)(6) with CCTV with Chinese TV requested an on camera interview with officers talking with asylum seekers at the port. Request to film was denied however the formulated statement recently used was provided. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 1/17: RGV PAO coordinated visit for 1-18-17 from NBC News (Los Angeles Office) of Producer (b)(6) and Correspondent (b)(6) Visit will start with a meet and greet with RGV CPA Manuel Padilla Jr. at Sector Headquarters. A ride along tour will be provided of the McAllen and Rio Grande City AOR's for B-roll of agents performing their duties. Publication Date: TBD Tone: Positive Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 1/17: Fox (San Angelo, TX) requested an interview about the deployment of UAS as San Angelo Regional Airport. Pending OPA.

Lead (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/13: (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) (b)(6) and (b)(6) from the Mexico and Central American Bureau/Reuters, requested a coorder rour and visit several months ago, but are not fully vetted for their planned visit to El Paso. No discussion will be provided on future plans by the new administration to incorporate additional fencing/infrastructure, or other speculations on immigration policy. 1/18 update: Interview was provided in English and involved generic questions about local operations, with some emphasis on current violence in Mexico, and whether El Paso is seeing any spill-over. Also inquired about current fencing in west Texas and Mexico, and improvements in infrastructure in recent years. No speculations were provided on those topics with respect to the new administration. Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/12: (b)(6) DC-based Latin American correspondent for McClatchy Newspapers/Miami Herald, was in Laredo, inquired about processing of Cubans and said he interviewed a processed Cuban who claimed to have been the last one processed under wet foot/dry foot, seeking additional comment from CBP. He was referred to DHS Public Affairs. Expected run date: 1/13, expected tone: neutral to negative.
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 1/11: San Diego Sector received a request from Bloomberg news to have photographer (b)(6). photograph both Mexican and CBP officials working at the pre-inspection facility in Otay Mesa, Mexico. The goal is to illustrate the binational collaboration and the economic relationship that exits between the two countries. These images of the inspection process would be available for Bloomberg.com, Bloomberg BusinessWeek as well as Markets magazine. The images will also be syndicated to clients globally and will be available on Getty Images. The Office of Field Operations has approved this request. The photographer is also working on getting approval from the Mexican government to visit the facility. The request is for January 2017.
1/18: [(b)(6) photographer for Bloomberg news, was met by CBP and Port officials to photograph both Mexican and CBP agricultural inspectors working collaboratively at the pre-inspection facility in Otay Mesa, Mexico. The objective of the photos was to illustrate the binational cooperation and the economic relationship that exits between the two countries. The images captured were primarily CBP and Mexican agricultural inspectors examining produce as well as the loading of produce into the containers. These images will be used for Bloomberg.com, Bloomberg BusinessWeek as well as Markets magazine. The images will also be syndicated to clients globally and will be available on Getty Images. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(c)
1/9: (b)(6) features producer for VICE News Tonight on HBO had inquired about the possibility of VICE News Tonight touring the Donna Temporary Holding Facility, conducting an on-camera interview with a CBP official regarding the increase in Central American migrants the week of Jan. 17 for a profile story on the facility. Reached out to HQ OPA, Motion Pictures and Special Projects, regarding MMA agreement needed, requirements, status of SOP regarding limited, escorted media b-roll visits at Donna, Tornillo temporary holding facilities. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/5: (b)(6) CBS5 Phoenix, interviewed Port of Nogales Port Director (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) camera interview today at the Mariposa Cargo Facility. The interview and b-roll was in reference to CBP's efforts in preventing drugs from entering the U.S. and, at the same time, how CBP finds that balance between processing legitimate trade and travel while enforcing our laws. The reporter is interviewing DCPA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) morning for a Border Patrol perspective. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/5: Multiple level payer outlets reporting an protects in Negales, Conors asked CDD for comment on

1/5: Multiple local news outlets reporting on protests in Nogales, Sonora asked CBP for comment on disruptions to the Deconcini crossing at the Nogales Port of Entry. The following statement was provided: *Trains transporting goods across the international border in Nogales, Arizona have been temporarily*

halted due to a protest south of the Port of Nogales' DeConcini railroad crossing. The situation has prompted Mexican officials to close southbound vehicular traffic at that crossing. Southbound travelers should use the Mariposa crossing until further notice. U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers remain vigilant and are ready to begin processing rail shipments once services resume.
1/5: (b)(6) KIDY (Fox) San Angelo, contacted CBP OPA requesting a phone interview on border enforcement issues. Del Rio Border Patrol Sector is prepared to support the request, pending OPA approval, using previously approved talking points and Sector stats. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(c)
1/5: (b)(6) Managing Editor, The Uvalde Leader-News, contacted CBP OPA requesting a phone interview on border enforcement issues. Del Rio Border Patrol Sector is prepared to support the request, pending OPA approval, using previously approved talking points and Sector stats. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/05: Albuquerque Journal reporter (b)(6) contacted OPA regarding traffic at the remote Antelope Wells (NM) port of entry. She is developing a story on lagging efforts of Mexican authorities to construct a better road leading from the Mexican interior to the port. No publication date. Neutral to positive tone anticipated. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/5: Multiple media outlets from Midland/Odessa, Alpine, and Marfa are reporting on protests at the Presidio-Ojinaga POE. The protests are on the Mexican side and have impacted traffic intermittently for the last three days. Neutral to negative tone anticipated. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/5: (b)(6) freelance reporter for Al Jazeera English requested information related to CBP UAC/FAMU apprehensions in El Paso. She asked about recent case of newborn child falling ill at Tornillo center and overall process of how CBP handles these groups. OPA provided news releases and links with information as it applied and directed reporter USCIS, ICE/ERO and HHS for answers to non-CBP related questions. Negative to Neutral tone anticipated. No publication date. 01/17 UPDATE: Reporter asked several follow-up questions over weekend including timeline of child's treatment in CBP release (our info was not accurate/child was not released), possible causes for illness of the child, CBP facilities being closed on weekends and thus turning away people seeking asylum. OPA corrected record, did not speculate on medical issues, and advised metering system designed to safely manage flow of migrants that was in place at EP POE has not been in use since Tornillo facility opened. Negative tone anticipated. Still no publication date. Lead (b)(6),(b)(7)(c)
1/3: Telemundo-Houston Producer [16)(6) Reporter [16)(6) have proposed having a two-member news crew come down to Laredo Jan. 9-10 to shoot a three-part series of stories that would focus on human trafficking, CBP efforts to curb it at and between ports, narcotics trafficking/efforts to interdict narcotics at and between ports and armed vigilante, patrolling groups, interactions with them, have they hindered enforcement efforts. Initial [16)(6) inquiry began just prior to the Christmas holidays. Reporter submitted information regarding storyline, vetting information for crew, all USCs. Advised reporter that we haven't seen armed vigilante groups as of late. The San Antonio Telemundo affiliate requested to film live shots at a border location in the Eagle Pass area the week of Jan. 16-20, possibly in support of same request; [16)(6), (b)(7)(c) is working with that request. Draft course of action would include initial LFO 101 briefing, interview with ADFO Longoria, b-roll filming of passenger processing at Lincoln-Juarez Bridge, interview with Laredo POE mgmt. official regarding local interdiction efforts, ride-along with USBP to include a line tour inclusive of Interstate 35 checkpoint, interview with a USBP Laredo Sector mgmt. official. Concurrence obtained at LFO mgmt. level.

forwarded for HQ OPA concurrence. Expected tone: neutral. 1/6: Local concurrence obtained, vetting completed, package forwarded to HQ OPA. Shoot is set up for Jan. 9. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
12/13: (b)(6) the new immigration beat reporter for the Ney York Times is working on a story about the South Texas border and the influx of Central American immigrants there. The story will explain to readers that the image a lot of Americans have of Mexicans sneaking their way over the border is no longer the dominant problem, and that the more pressing concern is the flood of Central Americans (and some Haitians, etc) seeking asylum who want border patrol to arrest them. The reporter would like to visit the Rio Grande Valley and see first-hand the operations, facilities or other related locations that would provide the reporter the best sense of the situation in the part of the border. Currently we're exploring 12/27-12/30 as a possible date for her visit is an option to visit. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
12/8: El Paso based Fronteras/NPR reporter (b)(6) sent separate requests to OFO and OBP asking for assistance in setting up tours for several journalists who are in the El Paso/Juarez area for a few days as part of the International Women's Media Foundation fellowship. New York Times reporter (b)(6) and IWMF member (b)(6) are interested in seeing OFO commercial operations for a story on international trade. They are also interested in an OBP line tour. Other journalist names were also offered however those journalists are non USC's and cannot be vetted in time. Local management currently reviewing requests. Media hoping to do something before December 15. 12/13 UPDATE – Crew visited Ysleta cargo facility and interviewed (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and Chief
12/5 (b)(6) LA Times, wants to write a story on the U.S. Border Patrol's Integrated Fixed Towers being deployed along the Arizona border. His interest is in how the Border Patrol is using the technology, if it is successful in comparison with SBI-Net, and how it fits with other pieces of infrastructure. He wants to visit tower sites and C2 (Control Rooms) in Nogales, Arizona. He is hoping for a tour sometime next week. Sending to OPA for approval. Anticipate a neutral story for CBP. 12/8 UPDATE: Engagement delayed until January Lead: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)]
NORTHERN & COASTAL BORDER: 1/26: (b)(6) with CBC is researching a story following up on a previous story she ran about northbound border crossers entering Canada. She's interested in why it seems like Border Patrol agents escort migrants to the Canadian border to then cross into Canada and if there is any potential corruption involved. Deadline: TBD. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: (b)(6) a reporter from the Erie Times-News (Erie, Pa.) requested information regarding the recent court appearance of a Border Patrol agent assigned to Erie Station for non-felony traffic offenses. A statement had been prepared in advance according to OPA SOP, and was provided to the reporter. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) Statement text given to reporter:

"A U.S. Border Patrol Agent assigned to Erie, Pa., was notified on January 19, 2017, by the Millcreek Police Department to present himself to the Magistrate for his initial appearance regarding several traffic incidents he was reportedly involved in on January 14 while in an off-duty capacity.

The following misdemeanor counts / summary offences were filed against the agent:

- One count of Accident Involving Injury 1st degree misdemeanor
- Two counts of Accident Involving Damage to Attended Vehicle 3rd degree misdemeanor
- One count of Recklessly Endangering Another Person 2nd degree misdemeanor
- Three counts of Duty to Give Info and Render Aid Summary Offence
- One count of Immediate Notice of Accident to Police Summary Offence
- Three counts of Reckless Driving Summary Offence
- Two counts of Driving Vehicle at Safe Speed Summary Offence

After appearing before the Magistrate, the agent was booked and released on a \$50,000 unsecured bond.

fully cooperating with local authorities handling the case. CBP does not tolerate the misconduct of any employee, and stresses the importance of maintaining the highest levels of professionalism and integrity throughout the organization.

1/24: Reporter (b)(6) It from Fox 21 news in Duluth, Minnesota, is working on a story about the economic impact on the North Shore due to Canadian visitors. He has requested to interview the port director at the Grand Portage POE on Jan. 27. The anticipated run date is TBD, but likely early February. Anticipated tone: neutral to

The U.S. Border Patrol, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Office of Professional Responsibility are

Portage POE on Jan. 27. The anticipated run date is TBD, but likely early February. Anticipated tone: neutral to
positive.
Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/23: ((b)(6) reporter for Evolution 107.9 in Burnaby BC Canada requested an over-the-phone interview regarding inspection of cell phones at the Canadian border. Provided him with Electronic search written statement. Lead: ((b)(6) (b)(7)(5) (c)(7)(5)
1/20: ABC TV Detroit (WXYZ) reporter (b)(6) has requested to do a story in regards to the UH-60's assigned to the Great Lakes Air and Marine Branch that will be participating in this year's Super Bowl Security in Houston TX. ASR has been completed and submitted for Wednesday January 25. Story will be a piece of how local law enforcement will be assisting in this year's game. Interview for story will be completed with AIA Phil Petro who has flown in previous Super Bowls. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/18 (b)(6) a Cultures/Immigration Reporter with the Minneapolis Star Tribune reached out to OPA in Detroit in regards to the current story about individuals migrating north into Canada. (b)(6) was tipped off about the ride along from a fellow reporter at CBC in Winnipeg and has also requested a ride along. Reporter is also looking for information in regards to Asylum cases. Directing those questions to USCIS. Currently working on approvals. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/18: (b)(6) reporter with WXIX-TV FOX19 in Cincinnati has reached out to the Chicago Field Office to do a special project/long-format type of story in regards to what OFO is seizing and finding in the greater Cincinnati area especially through the express consignment facility. Currently going through approvals to include DHL for story.
Lead: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

in regards to conducting a story on Northern Border operations after a few articles have been published about rising numbers of illegal entries into Canada from the United States. Most recent case involved an individual who illegally entered near the Emerson POE in Manitoba and almost froze to death. Reporter has requested an on camera interview and ride along in the Warroad/Roseau MN AOR. Currently working with Grand Forks Sector as well as RCMP in Winnipeg in regards to this story request. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/11: (b)(6) with Minnesota Public Radio reached out to OPA in Detroit in regards to conducting a story on Northern Border operations after a few articles have been published about rising numbers of illegal entries into Canada from the United States. Most recent case involved an individual who illegally entered near the Emerson POE in Manitoba and almost froze to death. Dan has requested a Radio Interview with CPA ones, (a)(7)(c) for some time next week if possible. Currently working with Grand Forks Sector as well as RCMP in Winnipeg in regards to this story request. 1/20: GFN (b)(6), (b)(7)(c) will do a telephonic interview on Monday January 23 rd at 1000hrs Central with MPR Reporter (b)(6). Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/11 (b)(6) he evening news anchor for KBJR-TV in Duluth, MN reached out to OPA in Detroit to do a story on Northern Border Operations in Minnesota. OPA has reached out to the reporter and is awaiting clarification on what exactly KBJR would like to do for their story. 1/18: Have tentatively scheduled story and ride along for Tuesday January 24 with Agents from Warroad, MN. Gathering information for ride along request to be sent to HQ. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/5: Georgia <u>Public Broadcasting</u> (NPR) Reporter, (b)(6) contacted OPA Atlanta to produce a feature story on CBP/OFO operations, i.e. "A Day At" Hartsfield Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL). Taping completed, reporter said local editor may submit for national NPR consideration. Air date is TBD. Tone: positive Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/5: (b)(6) a reporter for WNBC in New York City, called for information regarding a possible ring operating around the Port of Newark exporting stolen rental cars. Reporter indicates no deadline for information requested. Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
10/20: Reporter/historian (b)(6) of KIRO radio in Seattle inquired regarding the history of the border between Canada and the U.S., particularly Washington state and British Columbia. His questions and comments include: "Tell me about the history of the border between Washington state and British Columbia. CBP historians are looking into it and will provide information regarding the inquiry. Reporter wanted to do a taped interview Oct. 21, however, due to the complexity of the request it will be pushed back until the information can be compiled. Anticipated tone is positive to neutral. 11/16: Reporter referred to International Boundary Commission.
1/24: Update: Reporter interviewed personnel with the International Boundary Commission and reached back to CBP for comment on the following questions and was provided the respective answers: 1. Does USCBP staff ever interface with IBC staff when IBC staff are doing their work along the Washington/British Columbia border? If so, can you describe how often, what that looks like, etc.: The U.S. Border Patrol in Blaine Sector does interact with the International Boundary Commission on occasion. IBC supervisors and station leadership have met (or been notified via telephone or email) in advance of projects of joint concern prior to work being done. (The Border Patrol is interested in being notified of any legitimate activity occurring at or

(b)(6) a reporter with CBC National out of Winnipeg, Manitoba has reached out to OPA in Detroit

near the border). Informal interaction between IBC workers and Border Patrol Agents occur between agents in

regular administrative communication between USCBP and IBC staff? How often? How formal/informal, etc.?: There does not currently exist regular formal scheduled administrative communication between the IBC and U.S. Border Patrol in Blaine, Washington. However, the agencies are familiar enough about each other's mission, there is communication whenever one agency's work may impact the other. An example would be when the IBC is going to perform maintenance or brush clearing on the border the IBC would contact Blaine Sector and/or station leadership and let them know they will be working in the area at a particular place and time. This information would be passed down to the agents in the field so they are aware of this activity on or near the border.

Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

NEWS RELEASES:

1/26: OPA Puerto Rico issued a news release regarding a joint effort (AMO, USCG and Puerto Rico Police) to intercept 4 makeshift wooden (yola) vessels with 126 undocumented migrants attempting to enter Puerto Rico. 30 migrants were brought to shore facing prosecution. https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/cbp-coast-guard-and-puerto-rico-police-intercept-4-vessels-126 Lead: https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-telease/cbp-coast-guard-and-puerto-rico-police-intercept-4-vessels-126
1/26: The Boston Field Office distributed a news release today announcing the opening of a new Global Entry enrollment center at Bradley International Airport in Hartford, CT. Lead: ((b)(6), (b)(7)(c)
1/26: Swanton Sector distributed a press release on a Border Patrol <u>canine team that assisted Vermont State</u> Police track and locate a fugitive. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: CBP Laredo PAO posts news release on seizure of \$1.3 million in narcotics in five seizures by CBP officers at Brownsville POE. Lead (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: CBP Laredo PAO posts news release on <u>lifesaving actions by CBP officer</u> that saved a traveler undergoing cardiac arrest at Brownsville POE. Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
1/26: CBP OPA distributed a news release related to the assault of a Tucson Sector agent. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: Tucson Field Office Release about seizure of cocaine, meth and \$69K in unreported currency at the Port of Lukeville. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: Tucson Field Office Release on the seizure of 200 pounds of marijuana at the Port of Douglas. Leads: (h)(6), (h)(7)(C)

News Release

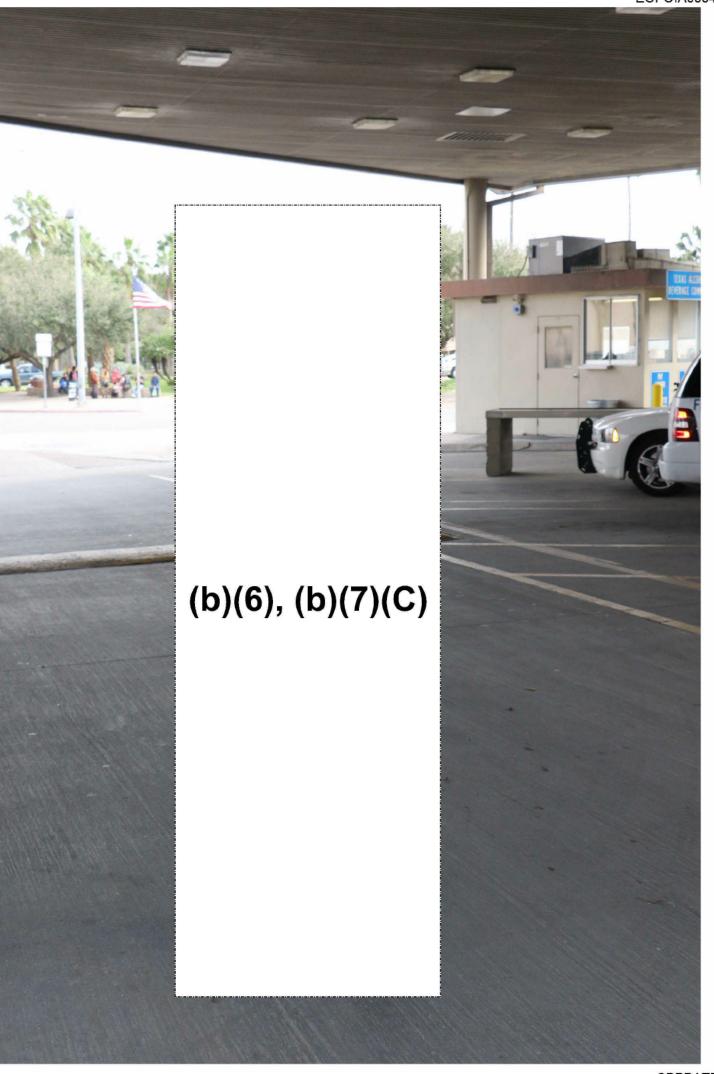
January 26, 2017 Contact: Public Affairs Liaison (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 956-983-5816

Brownsville CBP Officer's Prompt Action Saves the Life of Traveler Suffering from Heart Attack

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BROWNSVILLE, Texas – U.S. Customs and Border Protection Officer (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) who was working at the Veterans International Bridge helped save the life of a traveler suffering from cardiac arrest.
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) prompt action played a key role in the survival of the traveler," said (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) , "Our officers involved did an outstanding job working as a team to assist the traveler in need of immediate medical attention."
The incident took place on Tuesday, Jan. 3, when Brownsville (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) received notification from the occupants of a vehicle in his lane that one of the travelers was having a heart attack. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) called to request EMS on the radio and referred the vehicle and its occupants to secondary. In secondary, the traveler lost consciousness, stopped breathing and did not have a perceivable pulse (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) immediately began performing chest compressions and remained with the traveler until EMS arrived on the scene. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) was relieved by Supervisory CBP Officer (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) when he came to the point of exhaustion. The officers were later informed that the traveler had survived the cardiac arrest.
"I saw the situation and all of the training kicked in," said (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) "I immediately took action and started the chest compressions since every second counts in these situations."
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) has been a CBP officer for a year and a half and was a member of CBP Explorer Post 3103 before that. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) is currently assigned to the CBP Field Operations Port of Brownsville.
For more information about <u>CBP</u> , please click on the attached <u>link</u> .
-CBP- CBP Office of Field Operations at the Brownsville Port of Entry is part of the Joint Task Force-West South Texas Corridor, which leverages federal, state and local resources to combat transnational criminal organizations.

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News Release

January 25, 2017 Contact: Public Affairs Liaison (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 956-983-5816

Customs and Border Protection Officers Seize \$1.3 Million in Narcotics in Five Seizures at the Brownsville Port of Entry

BROWNSVILLE, Texas – U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers at the Brownsville Port of Entry intercepted five loads of alleged narcotics over the past week. CBP officers discovered the alleged drugs, which carried a combined street value of approximately \$1,279,941, hidden within the multiple vehicles and the personal belongings of a pedestrian traveler.

"I am proud of the efforts our officers are doing in intercepting these dangerous drugs," said

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

Brownsville Port of Entry. "Every seizure is paramount in keeping our borders secure."

The first seizure took place on Tuesday, Jan. 17, at Gateway International Bridge, when CBP officers working primary encountered a man as he arrived at the port of entry as the driver of a tan 1995 Ford F-150. The driver, identified as a 37-year-old male Mexican citizen who resides in Matamoros, Tamaulipas, Mexico, was referred to CBP secondary for further examination after a primary inspection. With the help of a K9 unit, CBP officers discovered four packages hidden within the Ford F-150. CBP officers removed the packages, which contained a total of 7.72 pounds of alleged cocaine with an estimated street value of \$59,500.

The second seizure took place on Wednesday, Jan. 18, at the Brownsville and Matamoros International Bridge, when CBP officers working primary encountered a man as he arrived at the port of entry as the driver of a red 2007 Cadillac Escalade. The driver, identified as a 28-year-old male Mexican citizen who resides in Matamoros, Tamaulipas, Mexico, was referred to CBP secondary for further examination after a primary inspection. With the help of a non-intrusive imaging system, CBP officers discovered 25 packages hidden within the vehicle. CBP officers removed the packages which contained a total of 504.37 pounds of alleged marijuana with an estimated street value of \$100,873.

The third seizure took place on Thursday, Jan. 19, at the Gateway International Bridge, when CBP officers encountered a man attempting entry as a pedestrian. The traveler, identified as a 55-year-old male Mexican citizen who resides in Brownsville, TX, was referred to CBP secondary for further examination. With the help of a non-intrusive imaging system and a K-9 unit, CBP officers discovered 83 packages. CBP officers removed the packages which contained a total of 11.44 pounds of alleged methamphetamine with an estimated street value of \$228,837.

The fourth seizure took place on Friday, Jan. 20, at the Brownsville and Matamoros International Bridge, when CBP officers working primary encountered a female as she arrived at the port of entry as the driver of a white 2005 Jeep Cherokee. The driver, identified as a 53-year-old female Mexican citizen who resides in Brownsville, Texas, was referred to CBP secondary for further examination after a primary inspection. With the help of a K-9 unit, CBP officers discovered 291 packages within the vehicle. CBP officers removed the packages which contained a total of 33.34 pounds of alleged methamphetamine with an estimated street value of \$666,671.

The fifth seizure took place on Monday, Jan. 23, at the Gateway International Bridge, when a K-9 unit conducting operations encountered a man as he arrived at the port of entry as the driver of a gray 2013 Chevy Sonic. The driver, identified as a 40-year-old male United States citizen who resides in Harlingen, Texas, was referred to CBP secondary for further examination. CBP officers discovered 12 packages hidden within the vehicle. CBP officers removed the packages which contained a total of 29.06 pounds of alleged cocaine with an estimated street value of \$224,060.

The combined estimated street value of the narcotics from these seizures is approximately \$1,279,941.

CBP officers seized the narcotics along with the vehicles, arrested the drivers and pedestrian, and turned them over to the custody of Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) special agents for further investigation.

For more information about CBP, please click on the attached link.

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OFO EXECUTIVE ITEMS:

INTERNATIONAL:

NBC News.com - White House Floats 20 Percent Tax on Mexican Imports to Pay for Border Wall

NBC News reports President Donald Trump has not formally proposed a 20 percent tax on Mexican imports to pay for his controversial border wall and is instead considering it among a series of options, White House spokesman Sean Spicer said Thursday. "The goal today is not to be prescriptive. It's to basically say: Hey, here is a way in which the wall can be paid for extremely easy and not say 'this is what we're doing,'" Spicer told reporters. "This is not what we're rolling out."

CNBC.com - Mexican president says he canceled meeting with Trump, who maintains the decision was mutual

CNBC reports Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto said Thursday that he told the White House he will not attend a scheduled meeting with President Donald Trump, following a clash over two Trump executive orders related to immigration. In a tweet translated from Spanish, Pena Nieto said, "This morning we informed the White House that I will not attend next Tuesday's scheduled meeting" with Trump.

NATIONAL:

Biometric Update.com - Trump's executive order on immigration addresses biometric entry-exit tracking system

Biometric Update reports President Donald Trump signed an executive order Wednesday which includes a series of initiatives to address immigration, including a proposal to establish a national biometric ID program for non-citizens entering and leaving the U.S., according to a report by Payments Source. According to a draft executive order leaked to civil rights advocates and obtained by The Washington Post, one of the measures of the executive order calls for an "Expedited Completion of Biometric Entry-Exit Tracking System". Section 8 of the executive order draft reads: "The Secretary of DHS shall expedite the completion and implementation of biometric entry-exit tracking system for all travelers to the U.S., as recommended by the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the U.S."

Federal Soup.com - CBP gets personnel boost in executive order

Federal Soup reports following through on his campaign promise to tackle immigration, Donald Trump has issued an executive order outlining his immigration plan, which includes a boost in personnel for one federal agency. CBP will need to hire 5,000 additional Border Patrol agents as part of the executive order issued on Jan. 25. The

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order also states that all necessary action must be taken by the CBP commissioner to "ensure that such agents enter on duty and are assigned to duty stations as soon as is practicable."

Washington Post.com - Draft executive order would begin 'extreme vetting' of immigrants and visitors to the U.S.

Washington Post reports the Trump administration plans to start vetting would-be immigrants and visitors to the United States based partly on their opinions and ideology, and will immediately cease the resettlement of Syrian refugees in the United States, according to a draft executive order leaked Wednesday to civil rights advocates and obtained by The Washington Post. The order, if enacted, would signal the beginning of the "extreme vetting" that President Trump promised on the campaign trail, as well as partial implementation of the "Muslim ban," according to civil rights advocates.

USA TODAY.com - Security shortcut Clear expands to more airports

USA TODAY reports thanks to TSA PreCheck, Global Entry and a variety of other programs that pre-vet travelers, 12 million people are now eligible to access the expedited screening lanes at U.S. airports. But even with increased TSA staffing levels and the addition of automated screening lanes at some airports, many trusted travelers still end up waiting in long lines to get their IDs checked by TSA before they can even gain access to the expedited lanes.

LOCAL:

Tucson.com - More drug profits slipping into Mexico as border seizures plummet

Claudia Zuniga Aguilar's daughter needed braces, so she decided to smuggle drug profits into Mexico for a cartel. The Chandler resident was caught with \$9,998 in her purse and wallet as she drove through the Nogales port of entry on March 15, U.S. District Court records show. Zuniga Aguilar, 45, told customs officers she picked up the cash from a man in a Costco parking lot in Mesa. She was supposed to deliver it to an ice cream shop in Sonora in exchange for the down payment on her daughter's orthodontia. The seized money was just below the \$10,000 cash reporting requirement, a tool used by CBPO's to prevent illicit cash smuggling. But as Zuniga Aguilar's case shows, CBP officers also can seize any amount of money if they believe it's the result of illegal activity.

Star Herald.com - U.S. Senator Deb Fischer seeks details on immigration information collection

Star Herald reports U.S. Senator Deb Fischer (R-Neb.) today sent a letter to DHS Secretary John Kelly asking for details about the new administration's plan to collect information on immigrants entering and exiting the country. In the letter, Fischer asks three specific questions regarding the administration's efforts to keep our country safe by establishing a comprehensive biometric entry-exit system.

DVIDShub.net - Trusted Traveler Program

DVIDS reports as of Dec. 1, 2016, Holloman Air Force Base, N.M. adjusted its security policies by adopting the Trusted Traveler Program. "This program was put in place in order to alleviate traffic congestion at the main gate which was a potential vulnerability

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and safety concern," said Capt. Joseph Lindquist, the 49th Security Forces Squadron commander. "A primary benefit of the program is that it decreases the amount of time it takes for personnel to enter the installation"

FEATURED STORIES:

Brownsville CBP Officer's Prompt Action Saves the Life of Traveler Suffering from Heart Attack - quick action and CPR skills helped save the life of a traveler suffering from a cardiac arrest. "I saw the situation and all of the training kicked in," he said

<u>Port Everglades Says Goodbye to K9 Vandy</u> - On Jan. 25, CBP in Port Everglades' A-TCET laid to rest K9 Vendy after she was unexpectedly diagnosed with cancer. She served her unit distinctively and with honor, unconditionally committed on a daily basis.

OFO PRESS ACTIVITIES:

Laredo - Brownsville CBP Officer's Prompt Action Saves the Life of Traveler Suffering from Heart Attack

Laredo - Customs and Border Protection Officers Seize \$1.3 Million in Narcotics in Five Seizures at the Brownsville Port of Entry

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OFO Briefings

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Date: 01/27/2017	
•	staff from the House Ways and Means Committee and
	eland Security regarding CBP's Mutual Recognition
Agreement process and curi	-
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Date: 01/27/2017	
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Islands) to discuss wait time	es and staffing at Saipan International Airport.
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	from the office of Sen. Patrick Leahy (D-VT) regarding
preclearance expansion in C	Canada.
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Date: 01/30/2017	
	briefing for staff from the House and Senate
Subject: Recurring weekly	s regarding an update on border migration trends.
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•	(TCO) threats.
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•	nittee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime
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Organization	(TCO) threats.
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Date: 02/02/2	2017
Subject: Brie	efing for staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Committees,
•	es on Homeland Security regarding OPR and the polygraph program.
Participants :	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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Date: 02/03/2	
•	efing for staff from the Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee
on Homeland	Security regarding CDSOA interest and bonding collection issues.

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operations.	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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NV), and John Kenne	s. John Cornyn (R-TX), Thom Tillis (R-NC), Dean Heller (R-edy (R-LA) will receive an aerial orientation of the RGV and RT Sector HQ briefing from USBP. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) A) is
operations in and aro	aul Ryan (R-WI-1), Speaker of the House, will tour DHS aund McAllen, TX. The Speaker will likely be accompanied by a Members (TBD). [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)] (OCA) is coordinating.
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on Homeland Securit hearing regarding Tr Director Matt Allen (r Paul Beeson (JTF-W) will testify before the House Committee ty, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security during a ansnational Criminal Organization (TCO) threats. Assistant (ICE HSI) and Vice Admiral Charles Ray (USCG) will also (IC) is coordinating.
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March TBD (tentative): The House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security will hold a hearing regarding DHS Southern Border and Approaches Campaign Joint Task Force (JTF) operations to address TCO threats.

The Subcommittee is expected to invite the three JTF Directors to testify.	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(OCA) is coordinating.	·

DHS Hearings

None.

Events

None.

Notes

• The House and Senate are in adjournment January 25-27, 2017.

Media Division Daily Media Report Friday, January 27, 2017

GUIDANCE: Entries in **blue** are new or updated. **Black** entries previously mentioned. The submission starts with the date posted on the DMR. For media inquiries, submissions should identify the outlet, name of the reporter(s), topic, request and deadline. For events, submissions should include the following details: date, time, address, label and title of principal officials attending/speaking, type of event.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

C1/C2 EVENTS:

Congress, SLT, NGO, OTR:

MEDIA EVENTS:

VALENTINE'S DAY 2017

1/26: Atlanta Field Office will host local press on February 7th 10 am at Delta cargo warehouse (ATL) highlighting CBP inspection of cut flowers. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) lead interview, filming of CBP Ag Specialists on the job and interview with inspector. Requesting available OFO stats. Air date: same day Tone: Positive Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

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flowers, as well as conducting on-camera interviews in English and/or Spanish respectively with the two CBP SMEs. Lead: (6)(6),(6)(7)(C) Air Date: TBD. Positive Tone Expected.
1/19: The Miami Field Office, in coordination with Miami International Airport Director C (b)(6) and Director of the Miami-Dade Aviation Department C (b)(6) will hold its annual cut flowers press event at the Centurion Air Cargo Warehouse during the week of Feb. 6. Agenda will include opening remarks, media questions and answers, filming of flower inspections, as well as interviews with CBPO inspectors. Local CMO is working on cut flower stats. Who from HQ will participate? Miami event will be lead office, kicking off cut flower season. Vis Comms services requested for b-roll, photos, video. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(B)(0), (B)(7)(C)
1/19: Potential open press events in New York, Los Angeles, Boston and Atlanta. Additional details and confirmations to come.
1/19: CNBC is doing a piece on counterfeit personal care items/fragrances ahead of Valentine's Day. They will visit the Port of New York/Newark (TBD) to interview CBP SME (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) pn camera (not live) about FY16 stats/trends, the dangers of counterfeit fragrances, what CBP is doing to combat, etc., as well as get footage of seized products and b-roll of CBPOs performing inspections. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) Air Date: TBD. Neutral to Positive Tone Expected.
SPECIAL PROJECTS:
1/18: (b)(6) from New York City-based company, TK Digital, wants to visit a USBP sector in February in order to get a ground tour on the southern border with agents to gather information, interviews and footage for a Japanese TV show called "Sekai Gyoten News" (translates to "World's Astonishing News". Currently under review. Leads: [(b)(6),(b)(7)(6)
1/9: OPA is coordinating with NSSE on Super Bowl coverage in Houston focusing on CBP's role in security, etc. UPDATE: NFL Security Presser slated for Jan. 31. DHS rep TBD. AMO will participate in an Air Security Press Conference on Jan. 31; CBP will join ICE and NFL for an IPR press conference Feb. 2 Other media availabilities will be scheduled to include OFO NII operations and AMO Air operations between Jan. 30-Feb. 5 Draft Operation Team Player Joint Press Release (with ICE as the lead) is currently with the FO for approval of C1 quote. ICE anticipates that the release will go out on Thursday, Feb. 2
1/4: Buffalo OPA conducted monthly TV show, "CBP Buffalo-Niagara UPDATE,"
featuring OFO and Border Patrol recruiters. Show was broadcast live at 1700-1730, will
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be rebroadcast 12 -15 times during the month of January, then loaded up for streaming
indefinitely.
Lead: I (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
12/22: Stampede Studies representatives (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) regarding interest in establishing an agreement with CBP to film a series documenting and focusing on CBP's work at international bridges connecting Texas to Mexico. The series would air on History Channel and run for a minimum of six episodes. Representatives are now working with HQ OPA and DHS to establish a multimedia agreement. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
12/12: (b)(6) Production Supervisor/Location Scout Manager contacted OPA requesting opportunity to scout El Paso area POE's for an unnamed/unannounced FOX film project described as a contemporary feature about border and cartel subjects. Crew is also looking to scout border area from a rented aircraft. OPA working to support both requests. Crews should be in area Dec 13-17. They understand there is a script review process before any government resources can be devoted to any actual filming and will initiate such if the scouting is fruitful. 12/14: UPDATE crew scouted the BOTA and PDN crossings escorted by (b)(6) No issues/no more news on the project. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
12/7: WIVB-TV in Buffalo will do a news feature on 1/11 on security of area international railroad bridges, covering Border Patrol and OFO activities. Station will air segment during sweeps week in late January 2017. Tone expected: highly positive. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
12/7: Buffalo Field Office DFO and Homeland Security Investigation's Buffalo SAIC will discuss IPR law and seizures in the context of cross-border holiday shopping season on CBP's local TV show, CBP Buffalo-Niagara UPDATE tonight at 5pm. Show will air live, then will be rebroadcast repeatedly during next 30 days, then posted indefinitely for streaming at www.lctv.net . Lead: (b)(6) , (b)(7)(C)
9/7 (b)(6) enegade 83 productions, recently watched videos on one of the wild mustangs in the TCA Horse Patrol. They are interested in a project that would highlight BP Horse Patrol unit and one of the prisons where our horses are trained. They thought it could make for a great documentary TV show. The production company is based in Los Angeles and creates/produces a lot of different shows for a wide variety of TV networks (www.renegade83.com). They are interested in a show concept that tells the stories of both our patrol unit on horseback and the horse trainer / inmate horse training program. 9/30 UPDATE: Project approved, tentatively slated for November. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

SOCIAL MEDIA:

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- @CBPBuffalo
- @CBPCaribbean

#CBP #USCG #PoliciadePuertoRico intercept 4 yolas with 126 migrants. http://bit.ly/2kxUROy/

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- @CBPFlorida
- @CBPLosAngeles
- @CBPMidAtlantic
- @CBPGreatlakes
- @CBPGreatPlains
- @CBPNorthwest
- @CBPNortheast
- @CBPNorthEast Waiting to complete your #GlobalEntry enrollment? Try CBP's new Enrollment Center
- @Bradley Airport http://bit.ly/2jtVLgZ
- @CBPRGV
- @CBPArizona
- @CBPSouthEast

Quick action by a Brownsville <u>#CBP</u> officer helped save a passenger who suffered cardiac arrest. Read more: http://bit.ly/2jjOcX7 pic.twitter.com/IaunZKghgE
Always vigilant: Brownsville POE <u>#CBP</u> officers intercept \$1.3 million in narcotics in five seizures. More: http://bit.ly/2kylvec pic.twitter.com/LMlK7KoAbE
Laredo Explorer Post 2304 today honored @www.quintedisd Alexander H.S. student Zerena Cruz as Jan. 2017 LAW enforcement award honoreepic.twitter.com/JA2M9L5dcl
@www.quintedisd Alexander H.S. student Zerena

- @CBPWestTexas
- @CBPSanDiego

#ElCentro #BorderPatrol agents arrest 44 people hiding inside several train boxcars. Read: http://bit.ly/2jBBp2Z

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A 60-yr-old man arrested after #BorderPatrol agents in #ElCentro find almost \$500K of narcotics stuffed in his minivan seats. http://bit.ly/2k5D2Jl
HEADQUARTERS: 1/24: (b)(6) reporter for Politico reached out to CBP to confirm reports that Ms. Julie Kirchner has been named Chief of Staff for CBP. The following statement was provided: "Ms. Julie Kirchner joined the Commissioner's Office this week to serve as an advisor. Her current assignment is a temporary political appointment." Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(c)
Enforcement:
1/12: NBC reporter (b)(6) s looking to do a story at Harpers Ferry on the Use of Force simulator. LESC has approved. Awaiting date confirmation. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
HRM/Technology:
1/26: KOLD/KMSB Tucson reporter. (b)(6), requested Border Patrol hiring numbers both nationally and locally (Tucson). Also she asked about projected attrition for Tucson and where are the next hiring events. HRM tasking has the information. Lead (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: (b)(6) reporter for "The Intercept," is seeking responses to four questions related to the Remote Video Surveillance System (RVSS) with an initial deadline of 1330 hrs, 26 January. He has since revised his deadline to 0900 hrs, 27 January. Request has been submitted to BP's RVSS Program Office. We are awaiting a response. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Travel:

12/23: Several travel outlets called to verify whether CBP began asking travelers about their social media accounts. The following statement was provided:

"Following Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) added an optional question to the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA) application requesting the voluntary submission of an applicant's social media account identifiers. The question was added as part of the agency's efforts to enhance the vetting of travelers to the United States. Information found in social media may be used to review ESTA applications to validate legitimate travel, adjudicate VWP ineligibility waivers, and identify potential threats.

"CBP remains committed to protecting the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all travelers. CBP will handle the voluntarily-provided social media identifiers in the same manner as other information collected through ESTA and has documented these procedures in the newly updated System of Notice Records Notice and Privacy Impact Assessment available at <a href="https://dn.documented-newly-updated-

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11/15: Drafting a news release about the Departure Verification System which is part of
the Departure Information Systems Test for the use of facial recognition software for air
passengers at the Atlanta Hartsfield International Airport. Date for issuance is to be
determined
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Trade:
1/26: saw a trade group released some advice it got from CBP about HTS changes
and a dumping case that involves some changed HTS codes. Is the below right? If so,
does CBP have anything more to add that he should include in his story? ACE will accept
entry lines filed with HTS numbers that are not yet in the AD/CVD case reference file
HTS tab. Filing the entries as such WILL NOT create a reject. An informational
message is all that will be sent back to the broker. It will allow entry as a type 03 with
the case number added. If no case number is added then it will not allow a type 03
entry. (This means you will need to correct it later.) This information was submitted out
to the trade community via CSMS Message #16-000466 dated 06/07/2016. If an issue is
occurring, where a broker cannot file an entry/entry summary, it is due to either a reject
for another issue on the entry/entry summary or their filing software. The broker should
investigate their error messages and contact their software vendor to ask for the software
validations to be relaxed to allow for the case number to be filed in conjunction with the
HTS number. His deadline is tomorrow at 2 pm for a publication on 1/27, or when we
have a response. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/25: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) producer for Vice News, is working on a story about child-like sex
dolls ((b)(6), (b)(7)(c) has provided news stories out of the UK and Canada on the topic, they are
linked below. His questions for CBP are concerning the United States border. He's
looking for the law (or confirmation of the absence of laws) governing the importation of
these dolls into the United States and whether any seizures have occurred. In researching
the topic, I came across the following: https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/19/1305
Related stories: This is the piece from the
UK: https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/2653144/british-cops-investigating-import-and-sale-
of-vile-sex-robots-designed-to-look-like-children/ And this is happening in
Canada: http://www.thetelegram.com/news/local/2017/1/16/sex-doll-brought-to-stjohn-
s-court.html 1/26 UPDATE: CMO advised "We have no data on seizures of sex dolls."
VICE news will run the story on their nightly show at airs at 7pm. Air date is TBD and
the tone of the story (where CBP is concerned) is neutral to positive. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/24: Zero Point Zero, a small production company out of NY, is working on a series of
food issues that delves into the globalized food industry as well as production trends in
food consumption. While in the research phase, Zero Point Zero came across the WRO
CBP issued on garlic. At this point, I am assessing the need of the production studio to
see who best within CBP can assist. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/23: The new administration issued an executive order pushing back effective dates for
new regulations. ITT wants to know if this will affect the 'imports of toxic substance
control act' scheduled to go into effect on Jan. 26. 1/26 UPDATE: Proposed response is

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with CBP FO – "On January 25, 2017, the Office of the Federal Register placed on its public inspection website two notices that delay the effective dates of two final rules, from January 26, 2017, to March 21, 2017. The two final rules amend the CBP regulations relating to:

- (1) the importation into the United States of certain vehicles and engines under the Clean Air Act in order to harmonize the documentation requirements applicable to different classes of vehicles and engines that are subject to the CAA's emission standards (81 FR 94974); and
- (2) the requirement to file a Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) certification when importing into the customs territory of the United States chemicals in bulk form or as part of mixtures and articles containing a chemical or mixture (81 FR 94980).

Both final rules amended the regulations to permit importers to file the required EPA documents with CBP electronically." Lead (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

SOUTHWEST BORDER:

1/26:
1/26: A CNN "Drone Team" lead by (b)(6) is collecting aerial video of the southwest border. They appear to be in Tucson and will be heading west all the way to the coast. B-Roll only, no support requested. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 1/26: AMO provided information to local San Diego Channel 8 and 10 on a rescue of a kayak paddler who was in distress. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: Reporter (b)(6) with Reuters Television requested to do a border fenc
story. They will get a ride along in El Centro Sector. Date not set but likely sometime between 2/8-2-10. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: (b)(6) with the San Diego Union Tribune is working on a series of stories titled, "Life Along the Border." He requested FY16 vehicle and passenger statistics for San Ysidro, Otay Mesa, and Tecate. They were given the updated numbers for FY16 as provided by PPAE. The publish dates are currently TBD.

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1/26: Miami Herald Reporter (b)(6) sought comment from CBP regarding a complaint filed Jan. 13 by American Immigration Council and other groups with DHS Inspector General and DHS Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties alleging mistreatment by CBP and systemic denial of Central American asylum claims at ports of entry along the U.SMexico border. Consulting with LFO mgmt., HQ OPA regarding whether to use previous response language or defer to DHS OPA. Expected rundate, weekend Jan. 28-29, expected tone: negative. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: KVUE-TV (ABC-Austin) photographer (b)(6) advised LF((b)(6), (b)(7)(C) advised LF((b)(6),
1/26: (b)(6) NPR Phoenix KJZZ, wants to produce a comprehensive story on CBP operations, the technology we use and the threats we uncovered. Story expected to air Jan 30 th and include Border Patrol operations perspective. Tone expected to be a positive/neutral. Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26 (b)(6) Wall Street Journal, requested a phone interview with someone familiar with Nogales, Ariz., for story on the technologies and infrastructures in place, along with CBP's approach to layered enforcement. Reporter would like to know how these changes have historically affected the City of Nogales. Tone expected to be neutral. Leads: (6)(6), (6)(7)(C)
1/26: (b)(6) NPR Market Place (radio), wants to do a story focusing on drug seizures across Tucson Sector as part of a special report. Tone expected to be a neutral. Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/25: WTVJ (NBC-Miami) reporter [

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1/25: NBC News Producer ((b)(6)) advised that an NBC News crew will be in Nuevo Laredo on Jan. 26 and will interview Cubans stuck in Nuevo Laredo and asked if she would be able to do an interview with a CBP official regarding the processing of Cubans since the change in the wet foot/dry foot policy. I advised the producer that Cubans are not stuck in Nuevo Laredo and following concurrence from HQ OPA, LFO mgmt. provided a statement regarding the processing of Cubans as well as the latest available stats. Expected rundate: TBD, expected tone: neutral to negative. Statement
Cuban migrants who present themselves at a port of entry are advised by CBP officers of the current process. Each Cuban is processed on a case by case basis in accordance with applicable provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act and each case varies. If they express a credible fear of return they will be processed by CBP officers and then turned over to ICE-ERO for placement in a detention facility pending the adjudication of their credible fear/asylum claim.
The Cuban migrant makes their own decision whether to pursue their credible fear/asylum claim in the U.S. or to return to Mexico. CBP is not turning anyone away. The decision whether to pursue a credible fear claim rests entirely with the Cuban
migrant and what they choose to do. Ports are managing flows commensurate with each port's capacity to safely process arriving aliens while providing essential services to ensure their health and safety. OTM Aliens, that were not deemed high risk, are provided with a Government of Mexico social services resource list and an appointment window to return to the POE for processing.
https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/stats/ofo-sw-border-inadmissibles Lead: [(b)(6),(b)(7)(c)]
1/25: Laredo Morning Times Reporter Cesar Rodriguez sought CBP comment regarding a police report filed by Laredo
In order to respect the privacy rights of our employees and to not impact any potential investigation, CBP is not at liberty to comment on the matter. Questions regarding the case are best directed to Laredo Police Department. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/25: San Diego Sector provided an interview to (b)(6) CNN español News Correspondent on general info about the San Diego Sector on local apps, drugs seizures, and present infrastructure. No talk of politics or policies or wall. Footage expected to air tonight. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/25: Investigative Reporter at KFOX-TV/El Paso, reached out to OPA in El Paso requesting response to an allegation of alleged harassment of two citizens on January 14 by Border Patrol agents in the Chamizal National Park. The allegation is being reviewed, but there has been no formal complaint filed in this instance. Reporter was provided with a statement on 1/24. The segment is expected
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to air soon.
Statement:
As of today, the El Paso Sector Border Patrol has not received any formal complaint from
anybody regarding the encounter referenced in your email. El Paso Sector Border Patrol
has an excellent track record of being receptive to any complaints filed involving any of
our agents. We welcome any feedback from the public and it can be reported at the
following numbers: 1-800-767-0189 or 1-877-246-8253. CBP Officers and Border
Patrol Agents enforce the nation's laws while preserving the civil rights and civil liberties
of all people with whom CBP personnel interact, and all allegations are taken seriously.
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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1/24: KRGV-TV Reporter (b)(6) Inquired about shipment of 100 tons of avocados
denied entry to the U.S. and asking about impact on people who buy avocados.
Coordinating late Tuesday with LFO mgmt., HQ OPA. It appears an agreement between
USDA and State of Jalisco regarding avocado exports had not gone through and local
recommended guidance is to defer inquiry to USDA PAO. Will follow up Wednesday.
Expected rundate 1/24, expected tone: negative.
Lead (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/24: San Antonio Express-News Border Bureau reporter (b)(6) advised he was
coming to Laredo Wednesday to interview Cubans in Nuevo Laredo and sought an
interview regarding processing Cubans in light of the recent wet foot/dry foot processing
change. Following consultation with LFO, HQ OPA mgmt. Laredo CBP PAO opted
against interview and provided LFO, HQ OPA approved statement regarding processing
of Cubans post wet foot/dry foot. Expected rundate: later in week of Jan. 25-27, Expected
tone: negative.
Statement
Cuban migrants who present themselves at a port of entry are advised by CBP officers of
the current process. Each Cuban is processed on a case by case basis in accordance with
applicable provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act and each case varies.
If they express a credible fear of return they will be processed by CBP officers and then
turned over to ICE-ERO for placement in a detention facility pending the adjudication of
their credible fear/asylum claim.
The Cuban migrant makes their own decision whether to pursue their credible
fear/asylum claim in the U.S. or to return to Mexico. CBP is not turning anyone away.
The decision whether to pursue a credible fear claim rests entirely with the Cuban
migrant and what they choose to do.
Ports are managing flows commensurate with each port's capacity to safely process
arriving aliens while providing essential services to ensure their health and safety. OTM
Aliens, that were not deemed high risk, are provided with a Government of Mexico social
services resource list and an appointment window to return to the POE for processing.
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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1/23: Reporter (b)(6) with CBS Los Angeles requested a border and tunnel
tour for a two-part series they are working on regarding the border, fencing and security.
Scheduled for Monday, 1/30. She will bring a videographer named (b)(6) SME's
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will be Ops Officer (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and Watch Commander (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) for
<u>Task Force Otay.</u> (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Task Force Otay. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/23: Reporter (b)(6) with the Voice of America had visited the
Friendship Circle at the Border Field State Park in San Diego over the weekend, an area
opened to the public. He requested responses to several basic questions about our
fencing, challenges, and statistics for SDC.
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(0), (b)(1)(0)
/23: KRGV-TV News Director inquired asking if Central Americans are being turned away at the bridge, is this new, by what criteria are they being turned away. Consulted with LFO mgmt HQ OPA and provided the metering statement. Initial media inquiry came to HSI/ERO PAO, and CBP responded. Expected rundate: 1/23, expected tone: negative. Statement
Ports are managing flows commensurate with each port's capacity to safely process arriving aliens while providing essential services to ensure their health and safety. OTM Aliens, that were not deemed high risk, are provided with a Government of Mexico social services resource list and an appointment window to return to the POE for processing. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/23: (b)(6) with the Associated Press requested the number of times and dates and duration that protests at the San Diego POEs have impacted Mexico's inbound operations in January. He is updating his previous story: <u>LINK</u> . Based on prior sent notices to media, the following info was provided: 7 th 5:30pm to 9:00pm, 8 ^{th:} 5:30pm to 7:30pm, 15th: 4:00pm to 7:00pm, 22 nd : 12:30 pm to 6:00pm. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/23: San Diego based journalist Mike Kirsch with CCTV with Chinese TV requested an on camera interview with officers talking with asylum seekers at the port. Request to film was denied however the formulated statement recently used was provided. Lead: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)]
1/17: RGV PAO coordinated visit for 1-18-17 from NBC News (Los Angeles Office) of Producer (b)(6) Ind Correspondent (b)(6) Visit will start with a meet and greet with RGV CPA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) Headquarters. A ride along tour will be provided of the McAllen and Rio Grande City AOR's for B-roll of agents performing their duties. Publication Date: TBD Tone: Positive
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) 1/17: (b)(6) Fox (San Angelo, TX) requested an interview about the deployment of UAS as San Angelo Regional Airport. Pending OPA. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

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1/5: (b)(6) CBS5 Phoenix, interviewed Port of Nogales Port Director Joe Agosttini on-camera interview today at the Mariposa Cargo Facility. The interview and b-roll was in reference to CBP's efforts in preventing drugs from entering the U.S. and, at the same time, how CBP finds that balance between processing legitimate trade and travel while enforcing our laws. The reporter is interviewing (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) tomorrow morning for a Border Patrol perspective. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/5: Multiple local news outlets reporting on protests in Nogales, Sonora asked CBP for comment on disruptions to the Deconcini crossing at the Nogales Port of Entry. The following statement was provided: <i>Trains transporting goods across the international border in Nogales, Arizona have been temporarily halted due to a protest south of the Port of Nogales' DeConcini railroad crossing. The situation has prompted Mexican officials to close southbound vehicular traffic at that crossing. Southbound travelers should use the Mariposa crossing until further notice. U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers remain vigilant and are ready to begin processing rail shipments once services resume.</i>
1/5: (b)(6) , KIDY (Fox) San Angelo, contacted CBP OPA requesting a phone interview on border enforcement issues. Del Rio Border Patrol Sector is prepared to support the request, pending OPA approval, using previously approved talking points and Sector stats. Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(c)
1/5: (b)(6) Managing Editor, The Uvalde Leader-News, contacted CBP OPA requesting a phone interview on border enforcement issues. Del Rio Border Patrol Sector is prepared to support the request, pending OPA approval, using previously approved talking points and Sector stats. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/05: Albuquerque Journal reporte (b)(6) contacted OPA regarding traffic at the remote Antelope Wells (NM) port of entry. She is developing a story on lagging efforts of Mexican authorities to construct a better road leading from the Mexican interior to the port. No publication date. Neutral to positive tone anticipated. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/5: Multiple media outlets from Midland/Odessa, Alpine, and Marfa are reporting on protests at the Presidio-Ojinaga POE. The protests are on the Mexican side and have impacted traffic intermittently for the last three days. Neutral to negative tone anticipated. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/5 (b)(6) freelance reporter for Al Jazeera English requested information related to CBP UAC/FAMU apprehensions in El Paso. She asked about recent case of newborn child falling ill at Tornillo center and overall process of how CBP handles these groups. OPA provided news releases and links with information as it applied and directed

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reporter USCIS, ICE/ERO and HHS for answers to non-CBP related questions. Negative to Neutral tone anticipated. No publication date.

01/17 UPDATE: Reporter asked several follow-up questions over weekend including timeline of child's treatment in <u>CBP release</u> (our info was not accurate/child was not released), possible causes for illness of the child, CBP facilities being closed on weekends and thus turning away people seeking asylum. OPA corrected record, did not speculate on medical issues, and advised metering system designed to safely manage flow of migrants that was in place at EP POE has not been in use since Tornillo facility opened. Negative tone anticipated. Still no publication date.

opened. Negative tone anticipated. Still no publication date. Lead: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(c)]
1/3: Telemundo-Houston Producet (b)(6) Reporter 1 have proposed having a two-member news crew come down to Laredo Jan. 9-10 to shoot a three-part series of stories that would focus on human trafficking, CBP efforts to curb it at and between ports, narcotics trafficking/efforts to interdict narcotics at and between ports and armed vigilante, patrolling groups, interactions with them, have they hindered enforcement efforts. Initial 1 house 1 ho
12/13: [(b)(6)] the new immigration beat reporter for the Ney York Times is working on a story about the South Texas border and the influx of Central American immigrants there. The story will explain to readers that the image a lot of Americans have of Mexicans sneaking their way over the border is no longer the dominant problem, and that the more pressing concern is the flood of Central Americans (and some Haitians, etc) seeking asylum who want border patrol to arrest them. The reporter would like to visit the Rio Grande Valley and see first-hand the operations, facilities or other related locations that would provide the reporter the best sense of the situation in the part of the border. Currently we're exploring 12/27-12/30 as a possible date for her visit is an option to visit. Lead (b)(6),(b)(7)(c)
12/8: El Paso based Fronteras/NPR reporter (b)(6) sent separate requests to OFO and OBP asking for assistance in setting up tours for several journalists who are in
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the El Paso/Juarez area for a few days as part of the International Women's Media
Foundation fellowship. New York Times reporter (b)(6) and IWMF member
(b)(6) are interested in seeing OFO commercial operations for a story on
international trade. They are also interested in an OBP line tour. Other journalist names
were also offered however those journalists are non USC's and cannot be vetted in time.
Local management currently reviewing requests. Media hoping to do something before
December 15.
12/13 UPDATE – Crew visited Ysleta cargo facility and interviewed (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) Topics included general information, trusted trader
programs, enforcement operations – fairly generic. Walking tour followed the
interviews/briefing. OBP line tour set for December 15. All seemed positive. No
publication dates.
12/16: UPDATE – Crew went on OBP line tour led by agents (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and [hills.hill]
Basic OBP information was shared and tour included southern New Mexico
desert area and river enforcement zones in west Texas/El Paso. The interaction was
positive. No publication dates.
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
<u>,</u>
12/5 (b)(6) LA Times, wants to write a story on the U.S. Border Patrol's
Integrated Fixed Towers being deployed along the Arizona border. His interest is in how
the Border Patrol is using the technology, if it is successful in comparison with SBI-Net,
and how it fits with other pieces of infrastructure. He wants to visit tower sites and C2
(Control Rooms) in Nogales, Arizona. He is hoping for a tour sometime next week.
Sending to OPA for approval. Anticipate a neutral story for CBP.
12/8 UPDATE: Engagement delayed until January
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
NORTHERN & COASTAL RORDER
NORTHERN & COASTAL BORDER: 1/26: (b)(6) with CBC is researching a story following up on a previous story
she ran about northbound border crossers entering Canada. She's interested in why it
seems like Border Patrol agents escort migrants to the Canadian border to then cross into
Canada and if there is any potential corruption involved. Deadline: TBD. Lead:
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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1/26: (b)(6) a reporter from the Erie Times-News (Erie, Pa.) requested information
regarding the recent court appearance of a Border Patrol agent assigned to Erie Station
for non-felony traffic offenses. A statement had been prepared in advance according to
OPA SOP, and was provided to the reporter. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Statement text given to reporter:
"A U.S. Border Patrol Agent assigned to Erie, Pa., was notified on January 19, 2017, by
the Millcreek Police Department to present himself to the Magistrate for his initial
appearance regarding several traffic incidents he was reportedly involved in on January
14 while in an off-duty capacity.
The following misdemeanor counts / summary offences were filed against the agent:
One count of Accident Involving Injury – 1 st degree misdemeanor

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- Two counts of Accident Involving Damage to Attended Vehicle $-3^{\rm rd}$ degree misdemeanor
- One count of Recklessly Endangering Another Person 2nd degree misdemeanor
- Three counts of Duty to Give Info and Render Aid Summary Offence
- One count of Immediate Notice of Accident to Police Summary Offence
- Three counts of Reckless Driving Summary Offence
- Two counts of Driving Vehicle at Safe Speed Summary Offence

After appearing before the Magistrate, the agent was booked and released on a \$50,000 unsecured bond.

The U.S. Border Patrol, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Office of Professional Responsibility are fully cooperating with local authorities handling the case. CBP does not tolerate the misconduct of any employee, and stresses the importance of maintaining the highest levels of professionalism and integrity throughout the organization.

1/24: Reporter [(b)(6) from Fox 21 news in Duluth, Minnesota, is working on a story about the economic impact on the North Shore due to Canadian visitors. He has requested to interview the port director at the Grand Portage POE on Jan. 27. The anticipated run date is TBD, but likely early February. Anticipated tone: neutral to positive. Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/23: (b)(6) reporter for Evolution 107.9 in Burnaby BC Canada requested an over-the-phone interview regarding inspection of cell phones at the Canadian border. Provided him with Electronic search written statement. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/20: ABC TV Detroit (WXYZ) reporter (b)(6) has requested to do a story in regards to the UH-60's assigned to the Great Lakes Air and Marine Branch that will be participating in this year's Super Bowl Security in Houston TX. ASR has been completed and submitted for Wednesday January 25. Story will be a piece of how local law enforcement will be assisting in this year's game. Interview for story will be completed with AIA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) who has flown in previous Super Bowls. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/18: (b)(6) a Cultures/Immigration Reporter with the Minneapolis Star Tribune reached out to OPA in Detroit in regards to the current story about individuals migrating north into Canada. (b)(6) was tipped off about the ride along from a fellow reporter at CBC in Winnipeg and has also requested a ride along. Reporter is also looking for information in regards to Asylum cases. Directing those questions to USCIS. Currently working on approvals. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/18: (b)(6) a reporter with WXIX-TV FOX19 in Cincinnati has reached out to the Chicago Field Office to do a special project/long-format type of story in regards to what

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OFO is seizing and finding in the greater Cincinnati area especially through the express
consignment facility. Currently going through approvals to include DHL for story.
Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/11: [(b)(6)] reporter with CBC National out of Winnipeg, Manitoba has reached out to OPA in Detroit in regards to conducting a story on Northern Border operations after a few articles have been published about rising numbers of illegal entries into Canada from the United States. Most recent case involved an individual who illegally entered near the Emerson POE in Manitoba and almost froze to death. Reporter has requested an on camera interview and ride along in the Warroad/Roseau MN AOR. Currently working with Grand Forks Sector as well as RCMP in Winnipeg in regards to this story request. Lead: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
1/11: (b)(6) with Minnesota Public Radio reached out to OPA in Detroit in regards to conducting a story on Northern Border operations after a few articles have been published about rising numbers of illegal entries into Canada from the United States. Most recent case involved an individual who illegally entered near the Emerson POE in Manitoba and almost froze to death. (b)(6) has requested a Radio Interview with C (b)(6), (b)(7)(c) or some time next week if possible. Currently working with Grand Forks Sector as well as RCMP in Winnipeg in regards to this story request. 1/20: GFN (b)(6), (b)(7)(c) e will do a telephonic interview on Monday January 23 rd at 1000hrs Central with MPR Reporter (b)(6) Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/11: (b)(6) the evening news anchor for KBJR-TV in Duluth, MN reached out to OPA in Detroit to do a story on Northern Border Operations in Minnesota. OPA has reached out to the reporter and is awaiting clarification on what exactly KBJR would like to do for their story. 1/18: Have tentatively scheduled story and ride along for Tuesday January 24 with Agents from Warroad, MN. Gathering information for ride along request to be sent to HQ. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/5: Georgia <u>Public Broadcasting</u> (NPR) Reporter, (b)(6) In contacted OPA Atlanta to produce a feature story on CBP/OFO operations, i.e. "A Day At" Hartsfield Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL). Taping completed, reporter said local editor may submit for national NPR consideration. Air date is TBD. Tone: positive Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/5: (b)(6) , a reporter for WNBC in New York City, called for information regarding a possible ring operating around the Port of Newark exporting stolen rental cars. Reporter indicates no deadline for information requested. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
10/20: Reporter/historian (b)(6) of KIRO radio in Seattle inquired regarding the history of the border between Canada and the U.S., particularly Washington state and

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British Columbia. His questions and comments include: "Tell me about the history of the border between Washington state and British Columbia. CBP historians are looking into it and will provide information regarding the inquiry. Reporter wanted to do a taped interview Oct. 21, however, due to the complexity of the request it will be pushed back until the information can be compiled. Anticipated tone is positive to neutral. 11/16: Reporter referred to International Boundary Commission. 1/24: Update: Reporter interviewed personnel with the International Boundary Commission and reached back to CBP for comment on the following questions and was provided the respective answers: 1. Does USCBP staff ever interface with IBC staff when IBC staff are doing their work along the Washington/British Columbia border? If so, can you describe how often, what that looks like, etc.: The U.S. Border Patrol in Blaine Sector does interact with the International Boundary Commission on occasion. IBC supervisors and station leadership have met (or been notified via telephone or email) in advance of projects of joint concern prior to work being done. (The Border Patrol is interested in being notified of any legitimate activity occurring at or near the border). Informal interaction between IBC workers and Border Patrol Agents occur between agents in the field and IBC workers on the border incidental to each working in the same area. 2. Is there some kind of regular administrative communication between USCBP and IBC staff? How often? How formal/informal, etc.?: There does not currently exist regular formal scheduled administrative communication between the IBC and U.S. Border Patrol in Blaine, Washington. However, the agencies are familiar enough about each other's mission, there is communication whenever one agency's work may impact the other. An example would be when the IBC is going to perform maintenance or brush clearing on the border the IBC would contact Blaine Sector and/or station leadership and let them know they will be working in the area at a particular place and time. This information would be passed down to the agents in the field so they are aware of this activity on or near the border.

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NEWS RELEASES:

1/26: OPA Puerto Rico issued a news release regarding a joint effort (AMO, USCG and Puerto Rico Police) to intercept 4 makeshift wooden (yola) vessels with 126 undocumented migrants attempting to enter Puerto Rico. 30 migrants were brought to shore facing prosecution. https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/local-media-release/cbp-coast-guard-and-puerto-rico-police-intercept-4-vessels-126

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1/26: The Boston Field Office distributed a news release today announcing the <u>opening</u> of a new Global Entry enrollment center at Bradley International Airport in Hartford, CT. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

1/26: Swanton Sector distributed a press release on a Border Patrol canine team that assisted Vermont State Police track and locate a fugitive. Lead (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

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seizures by CBP officers at Brownsville POE. Lead [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: CBP Laredo PAO posts news release on <u>lifesaving actions by CBP officer</u> that saved a traveler undergoing cardiac arrest at Brownsville POE. Lead: [(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: CBP OPA distributed a news release related to the assault of a Tucson Sector agent. Lead: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: Tucson Field Office Release about <u>seizure of cocaine</u> , <u>meth and \$69K in unreported currency</u> at the Port of Lukeville. Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
1/26: Tucson Field Office Release on the seizure of 200 pounds of marijuana at the Port of Douglas. Leads: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

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From: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Sent: Saturday, January 28, 2017 9:37 PM

To: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Cc: JAMES, MICHELE

Subject: FW: UPDATED Guidance on Executive Order "Protecting the Nation from Foreign

Terrorist Entry into the United States

Attachments: RE: EO 212(f) Exemption Request for (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) RE: Waiver Request for

212(1) in re (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) EO 212(f) Waiver for (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

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Please send out to the ports

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

Assistant Director, Border Security Seattle Field Office

OFO - U.S. Customs and Border Protection Seattle, Washington

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From: HUTTON, JAMES R

Sent: Saturday, January 28, 2017 8:33:39 PM

To: HOFFMAN, TODD A; DIRECTORS FIELD OPS; EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS HQ; BORDER SECURITY ASST DIRECTORS

Cc: Owen, Todd C (AC OFO); WAGNER, JOHN P; (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

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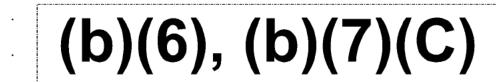
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DFO's

As a follow up from guidance sent last night. In addition to waivers for LPRs, the Secretary of Homeland Security has delegated waiver authority to the Commissioner of CBP for only the following categories of individuals subject to the EO:

- Returning Refugees (to include any 1st time refugees encountered);
- Returning Asylees;
- Individuals in possession of a valid I-512 issued by CIS;
- UAC

The request for said waiver will need to follow the below format sent initially to the below distro



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- EAC Owen
- DEAC Wagner
- · XD Murdock
- XD Hoffman
- (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
- DXD Hutton
- OFO Field Liaison

I have also attached some samples that were submitted for approval today.

Sample

Subject Line: EO 212(f) Exemption for LAST NAME, (f/n) First name

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Importance: High					

Directors,

I apologize for the delay. Please be advised that you have unilateral authority to approve exemptions to the Executive Order for LPRs, no State Department approval required. The exemption process for other categories of aliens as outlined in the policy guidance currently requires the approval of the acting Commissioner. Further guidance for these exemptions is forthcoming.

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From:	Todd A. Hoffman		
	Executive Director		
	Admissibility and Passenger Programs		
	Office of Field Operations		
Subject: States"	Guidance on Executive Order "Protecting the N	ation from Foreign Terrorist Entry	into the United
the United States" (Somalia, Sudan, Syr non-immigrant clas visas for travel to the returning resident a	ely, and pursuant to Executive Order entitled, "Pr January 27, 2017), all entry into the United State ia and Yemen is hereby suspended in accordance sifications, with the exception of those foreign na- ne United Nations, G1, G2, G-3, and G-4 visas. The sliens refugees and asylees.	es for aliens who are nationals from e with Section 212(f) of the INA. T ationals traveling on diplomatic vis his also includes all immigrant class	n Iran, Iraq, Libya, This includes all sas, NATO visas, C2 ses of admission,
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ear (ERF). Aliens p	fear of return will be referred to an asylum office processed under ERF procedures will be referred to and ERO that aliens are subject to Executive Ord	to ERO for detention. Field Offices	
Returning Resident	s,		
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Refugees, Asylees, Unaccompanied Children, and subjects returning to the US with Advanced Parole:		
(1) Aliens from the above group who are prevented from entry solely as a result of the Executive Order, should be referred for (b)(7)(E) and held at the port of entry until such time as an exemption to the Executive Order can be obtained. This exemption falls to the Secretary of State and Secretary of Homeland Security. Further guidance will be forthcoming on processing these exemptions.		
Individuals who fall within any of the above may not be paroled, which includes port parole and deferred inspection. To the extent that there is an emergent medical issue related to an alien who falls within the Executive Order, CBP officers must accompany the alien for any medical care.		
Returning aliens ineligible who withdraw their application for admission:		
(1) Aliens arriving via air or sea: Commercial carriers are required to remove foreign aliens found ineligible for entry under this order pursuant to 241(c)(1) of the INA.		
(2) Aliens arriving via land will be returned per current established procedures with the contiguous country.		
Please ensure that this memorandum and attached muster are disseminated to all ports of entry within your		
jurisdiction. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact J (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)		
Director, Enforcement Programs Division, at (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)		
Todd A. Hoffman		

Executive Director, Admissibility and Passenger Programs Office of Field Operations U.S. Customs and Border Protection

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:	Owen, Todd C (AC OFO) Saturday, January 28, 2017 5:23 PM HUTTON, JAMES R DURST, CASEY OWEN; (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) HOFFMAN, TODD A; MURDOCK, JUDSON W; (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) RE: EO 212(f) Exemption Request for (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Approved per C1, 1722 hours.	
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Exemption to Executive Order Request

January 28, 2017

<u>Title:</u> Exemption to Executive Order "Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States" Request

Summary: CBP, OFO, Baltimore Field Office recommends that (b)(5), (b)(6), (b)(7)(C), (b)(7)(E)

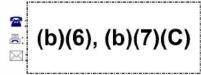
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