



ENFORCEMENT AND REMOVAL OPERATIONS (ERO)

# Monthly 287(g) Encounter Report

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## **Overview**

The U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) 287(g) Program enhances the safety and security of communities by creating partnerships with state and local law enforcement agencies to identify and remove illegal aliens from the United States.

Section 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act authorizes the Director of ICE to enter into agreements with state and local law enforcement agencies to designate officers to perform certain immigration law enforcement functions. State and local officers who partner with ICE receive training and function under the supervision of ICE officers.

The mutually beneficial agreements allow state and local law enforcement to act as a force multiplier in the identification, arrest, and service of warrants and detainers on foreign-born individuals arrested on local criminal charges.

Individuals deemed amenable to removal are identified while in state or local custody and then transferred to ICE custody in a secure law enforcement facility. Without a cooperative agreement, state and local law enforcement may not be aware of an inmate's unlawful immigration status and may release the individual back into the community. ICE may then only locate the individual via an at-large enforcement operation or after the individual is arrested by local law enforcement for a subsequent crime.

Federal, state, and local law enforcement working together creates efficiency while providing a tremendous benefit to public safety.

The 287(g) Program continues to receive overwhelmingly positive feedback from its partners. Law enforcement agencies interested in becoming a partner under the 287(g) Program should send an inquiry to their local ICE ERO Field Office at <https://www.ice.gov/contact/ero> .

The cases that follow are a sampling of criminal aliens recently identified by state or local law enforcement operating under the 287(g) Program. Each of these individuals will be processed for removal by ICE in accordance with federal law.

## **287(g) Encounters by State**

### **Florida**

On July 31, 2020, the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with driving under the influence and placed in immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. On August 1, 2020, it was discovered that the subject also has an arrest warrant for kidnapping, battery, burglary, and child abuse. The subject last entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection after having been previously removed from the United States.

### **Georgia**

On July 1, 2020, the Georgia Department of Corrections 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Bosnia-Herzegovina convicted of possession of a controlled substance with intent to distribute and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject has previous convictions for controlled substance and burglary. The subject is currently a lawful permanent resident.

On July 1, 2020, the Hall County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Nigeria charged with aggravated assault – weapon and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States as a nonimmigrant and failed to depart the United States as required.

On July 10, 2020, the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Gambia charged with failure to appear for previous charges of trafficking a person for sexual servitude, employ or use minor to engage in or assist person in sexually explicit conduct for visual medium, and criminal attempt to commit felony child molestation and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States as a nonimmigrant and later adjusted status to a lawful permanent resident.

On July 15, 2020, the Georgia Department of Corrections 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico sentenced to life, with the first 30 years to be served in confinement, for convictions of aggravated child molestation (3 counts), aggravated sexual battery (2 counts), and child molestation (2 counts) and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection.

On July 19, 2020, the Gwinnett County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Guatemala charged with felony murder and aggravated assault and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject illegally reentered the United States on an unknown date and location after having been previously removed in 2012.

On July 19, 2020, the Gwinnett County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Guatemala charged with felony murder and aggravated assault and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection.

On July 19, 2020, the Gwinnett County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Guatemala charged with felony murder and aggravated assault and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on subject. The subject entered the United States and was apprehended by the U.S. Border Patrol and placed into removal proceedings. On June 20, 2013, an immigration judge administratively closed the subject's removal proceedings.

## **Maryland**

On July 14, 2020, the Frederick County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Guatemala charged with rape 2nd degree, sexual abuse of a minor: house/family member, and assault 2nd degree and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection.

## **Massachusetts**

On July 23, 2020, the Plymouth County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of the Dominican Republic charged with selling synthetic narcotics and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection.

## **North Carolina**

On July 30, 2020, the Gaston County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with three counts of trafficking opium or heroin, possess with intent manufacture/sell/deliver schedule II-controlled substance, and maintain vehicle/dwelling/place for controlled substance to wit: opium or heroin and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection.

## **Oklahoma**

On July 20, 2020, the Canadian County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with aggravated driving under the influence and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection.

On July 23, 2020, the Tulsa County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with lewd molestation (5 counts), child neglect, child abuse by injury, obstructing a police officer, and resisting arrest and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject last entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection after having been previously removed.

On July 27, 2020, the Tulsa County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with 1st degree burglary, sexual battery, and 1st degree rape- attempted and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection.

## **South Carolina**

On July 7, 2020, the Lexington County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with assault/attempted murder and weapons/possession of weapon during violent crime and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject last entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection after having been previously removed.

On July 27, 2020, the Lexington County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Nicaragua charged with assault and battery 2<sup>nd</sup> degree and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States as a nonimmigrant and failed to depart the United States as required.

On July 27, 2020, the Charleston County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Honduras charged with armed robbery with a deadly weapon and carjacking by force without bodily harm and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection.

## Texas

On July 7, 2020, the Smith County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with driving while intoxicated- third or more and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject has multiple criminal convictions for driving while intoxicated and resisting arrest. The subject last entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection after having been previously removed.

On July 11, 2020, the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with driving while intoxicated and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection.

On July 17, 2020, the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with indecency with child – sexual conduct and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject has previous criminal convictions for possession of a controlled substance and driving while intoxicated. The subject entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection.

On July 20, 2020, the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with aggravated assault-deadly weapon family/housemate and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection.

On July 29, 2020, the Matagorda County Sheriff's Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Honduras charged with driving while intoxicated and tamper with government records and/or insurance documents and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection.