Office of Detention and Removal Operations U.S. Department of Homeland Security 425 I Street, NW Washington, DC 20536



MEMORANDUM FOR:

Victor X. Cerda Acting Director

FROM:

Detention and Deportation Officer

**Detention Compliance Unit** 

SUBJECT:

Headquarters Detention Review - San Pedro Service Processing Center

The Detention Compliance Unit performed a Headquarters review of the San Pedro Service Processing Center on November 17-19, 2003. The Review Authority assigned a final rating of Deficient. The Headquarters Detention Compliance Unit received and approved the facility plan of action on June 21, 2004. As required by the Detention Management Control Program (DMCP), the Detention Compliance Unit conducted a follow-up review of the facility July 6-8, 2004. The follow-up review was conducted to measure progress towards full compliance with the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and National Detention Standards (NDS).

#### Type of Review:

This review is a scheduled Headquarters follow-up review and was conducted for the sole purpose of determining compliance with the ICE NDS.

#### **Review Summary:**

The facility has shown excellent progress towards full compliance with the ICE NDS. The management team led by Acting Officer-In-Charge (OIC) has worked diligently to correct deficiencies noted during the last inspection. Access to Medical Care, Environmental Health and Safety, Key and Lock Control, Use of Force, Detainee Handbook and Detainee Files have all improved during this rating period. The facility is accredited by the American Correctional Association (ACA), National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) and the Joint Accreditation Commission for Healthcare (JCAHO). The following information summarizes those standards in compliance and non-compliance.

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#### Findings for 2003 **Current Review 2004** Compliant 30 Acceptable **Deficient** 7 **Deficient** Repeat 1 Repeat Deficiency - 1

## Funds and Personal Property: Repeat Deficiency

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 Funds and personal property were located unsecured in the property room. The review team found the safe and cash drawer unsecured. The secured entrance, which should be accessible to supervisors only, was opened several times to allow access to the Immigration Enforcement Officers (IEAs). The facility addressed the repeat deficiency immediately and the procedures in the property room were corrected prior to the end of the review.

At-Risk

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### **RIC Observations:**

At-Risk

## **Environmental Health and Safety:**

The sanitation of the facility was outstanding. Posted cleaning schedules appear to be followed and detainees were observed continuously cleaning throughout the review. It is apparent the high level of cleanliness is enforced daily. The quality of life for detainees is excellent.

#### **Staff Interaction:**

Acting OIC and the staff at the San Pedro Service Processing Center were extremely professional and immediately retrieved requested information or corrected problems once identified. The staff was well versed in policy and procedure at this location and take pride in their facility. The team observed that the facility operated in a calm and orderly fashion throughout the review.

#### **Best Practice:**

## Correspondence and Other Mail:

The facility staff are diligent and knowledgeable regarding the facilitation of the mail room. All monies are accounted for and logs are utilized to identify special problems and needs.

#### Recreation:

The Recreation Department does an excellent job of providing a variety of outdoor/indoor activities for detainees, despite limited outdoor space. Televisions are available for detainees and movies are

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scheduled daily. All detainees have access to outdoor recreation and transfers for lack of outdoor recreation are seldom.

#### **Contract Staff:**

The Contract Detention Staff (MVM- Security) assigned to the facility are extremely professional and well versed on facility policy and procedures. The relationship between Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and MVM Security is excellent.

## Issuance and Exchange of Clothing, Bedding, and Towels: (Advisory)

The San Pedro Service Processing Center has a severe shortage of towels, linens, socks and shoes. At times, linens and towels were unable to be exchanged due to this shortage. During the review, 120 dozen towels and washcloths were funded and ordered. The facility is also in the process of ordering linens, socks and shoes. The lack of towels available prevented a detainee in the Special Management Unit from taking a shower for three days.

## **Vacant Nursing Positions**: (Advisory)

The vacant nursing positions present challenges to the facility staff. The schedules that nurses must keep cannot realistically be maintained. The Division of Immigration Health Services (DIHS) Human Resources will be contacted to proceed with the hiring of additional Nurses.

#### Memorandum of Understanding: (Advisory)

The facility does not currently have a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI)- Terminal Island located adjacent to the facility. Terminal Island is operated by the Bureau of Prisons (BOP). The existing MOU only offers assistance to Terminal Island but does not assist the San Pedro Service Processing Center in the event of a critical incident.

### Recommended Rating and Justification:

It is the RIC recommendation that the facility receive a rating of "ACCEPTABLE." The facility now fully complies with 36 of 37 standards.

#### **RIC Assurance Statement:**

It is the opinion of the RIC that the findings of compliance are documented on the G-324a inspection form and that it is supported by documentation in the review file.

cc: Deputy Assistant Director, Field Operations Division

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cc: Official File

HQDRO Chron File

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| _ | Detention Facility Review F | orn  |
|---|-----------------------------|------|
|   | Facilities Used Over 72 ha  | oure |

| 9  |  |                                     |   | racilities Used                                    | Over 72 hours   |  |  |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|---|--|-----------------|--|--|
| ICE Service Processi   | ng Center  | E. Accred                           | litation Certi                                  | ficatos  |                 |  |  |
| ICE Contract Detent  | Accredited By:   | manon Certi                         | neates  |  |                 |  |  |
| ☐ ICE Intergovernmen   | ACA:   | NCCHC:                              | JCAHO: 🛭  | l  |                 |  |  |
|  | Date: 4/2004   | Date: 6/200                         |   |  |                 |  |  |
| A. Current Inspection  |  |                                     | 5410. 0/200                                     | 55 Date. 1720                                      | 104             |  |  |
| Type of Review   |  | F. Proble                           | ms / Compla                                     | ints (Copies mu                                    | et ha attached) |  |  |
| Field Office HQ Review   | v  | The Facility is u                   | nder Court O                                    | rder or Class Act                                  | on Finding      |  |  |
| Date[s] of Review  |  | Court Order                         |   | Class Action Or                                    | der             |  |  |
| July 6-8, 2004   |  |                                     | The Facility has Significant Litigation Pending |  |                 |  |  |
|  | ☐ Major Litiga   | Major Litigation Life/Safety Issues |   |  |                 |  |  |
| Previous/Most Recent Rev   | iew  | Checked Box at                      | ove requires                                    | a detailed written                                 | memorandum      |  |  |
| Date[s] of Last Review   |  |                                     | ····  |  |                 |  |  |
| November 17-19, 2003   |  | G. Facility His                     | tory  |  |                 |  |  |
| Previous Rating  |  | Date Built                          |   |  |                 |  |  |
| Superior Good Acc  | eptable Deficient At-Risk  | 1939                                |   |  |                 |  |  |
|  |  | Date Last Remo                      | deled or Upgi                                   | raded  |                 |  |  |
| B. Name and Location of Fa                                       | cility   | 2001                                |   |  |                 |  |  |
| Name   |  | Date New Cons                       | truction / Bed                                  | space Added  |                 |  |  |
| San Pedro Service Processing Center<br>Address (Street and Name) |  | 1988                                |   |  |                 |  |  |
| 2001 Seaside Avenue  |  | Future Construc                     |   |  |                 |  |  |
| City, State and Zip Code   |  |                                     | ☐ Yes ☐ No Date: 8/2004                         |  |                 |  |  |
| San Pedro, CA County   |  |                                     | Current Bedspace Future Bedspace                |  |                 |  |  |
| Los Angeles  |  | 455                                 |   | 455  |                 |  |  |
|  | fficer (Warden/OIC/Superintendent)   |                                     |   |  |                 |  |  |
| (Acting) Officer-In-Cha  | rge  | H. Total Facil                      | ity Populatio                                   | n  |                 |  |  |
| Telephone # (Include Area Code) (310)                            |  | Total Intake for                    | previous 12 n                                   | nonths   |                 |  |  |
| District   |  | 5250                                |   |  |                 |  |  |
| Los Angeles  |  | Total Mandays i                     | or Previous 1                                   | 2 months   |                 |  |  |
| Distance from District Office                                    |  |                                     |   |  |                 |  |  |
| 28 Miles   |  | C)161                               |   | T. C. T. C. T. |                 |  |  |
| C. ICE Information   |  | Classificati                        |   | E SPCs and CD                                      |                 |  |  |
| Name of Reviewer (Last Name                                      | Title and Data Station   | Adult Male                          | L-  |  | L-3             |  |  |
| DDO / HQDRO  | , Title and Duty Station)  | Adult Female                        | 12  |  | 330             |  |  |
| Last Name / Title of Team Mer                                    | nhere (Pavioware)  | Addit remaie                        | 4   | 8  | 37              |  |  |
| b6,b7c PHS; b6,b7c SIEA  | DO   | I. Facility Ca                      | maaitu.   |  |                 |  |  |
| Controlling Field Office   | Edute BO   | 1. Facility Ca                      | Rated   |  |                 |  |  |
| Los Angeles  |  | Adult Male                          | 325   | Operational  | Emergency       |  |  |
| Nearest Field or Sub-Office                                      |  | Adult Female                        | 130   | 320<br>130   | 450             |  |  |
| Western  |  | Addit Felliage                      | 130   | 130  | 150             |  |  |
|  |  | Average De                          | aily Populatio                                  | . m  |                 |  |  |
| D. CDF/IGSA Information (  | Only   | .xveruge Di                         | IC  |  | 045             |  |  |
| Contract Number  | Date of Contract or IGSA   | Adult Male                          | 300   |  | Other           |  |  |
|  |  | Adult Female                        |   |  | <del>-</del>    |  |  |
| Basic Rates per Man-Day Adult Female 115                         |  |                                     |   |  |                 |  |  |
| Staffing Level   |  |                                     |   |  |                 |  |  |
| Other Charges: (If None, Indic                                   | Security:  |                                     | Support   | <del></del>  |                 |  |  |
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| Estimated Man-days Per Year                                      | The state of the s |                                     | <u> </u>  |  |                 |  |  |
|  |  |                                     |   |  |                 |  |  |
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Significant Incident Summary Worksheet

For ICE to complete its Review of your facility, the following information must be completed prior to the scheduled review dates. The information on this form should contain data for the past twelve months in the boxes provided. The information on this form is used in conjunction with the ICE Detention Standards in assessing your Detention Operations against the needs of the ICE and its detained population. This form should be filled out by the facility prior to the start of any inspection.

| Incidents  | Description  | Jan - Mar | Apr – Jun | Jul - Sept      | Oct - Dec |
|--|--|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
| Assault:   | Types (Sexual <sup>2</sup> , Physical, etc.)                                 | Physical  | Physical  | Physical (2003) | Physical  |
| Offenders on<br>Offenders I  | With Weapon  |           |           | 0               | 0         |
| suit en line   | Without Weapon   | 3         | 2         | 8               | 5         |
| Assault:   | Types (Sexual Physical, etc.)  |           |           | Physical        | Physical  |
| Detainee on<br>Staff   | With Weapon  |           |           | 1               | 2         |
|  | Without Weapon   |           |           | 0               | 0         |
| Number of Forced Moves, incl.<br>Forced Cell moves <sup>3</sup>                |  |           |           | 0               | 1         |
| Disturbances <sup>4</sup>  |  |           |           | 0               | 0         |
| Number of Times Chemical<br>Agents Used  |  |           |           | 1               | 0         |
| Number of Times Special<br>Reaction Team Deployed/Used                         |  |           |           | 0               | 0         |
| # Times Four/Five Point  | Number/Reason (M=Medical,<br>V=Violent Behavior, O=Other)                    |           |           | V               | V         |
| Restraints applied/used  | Type (C=Chair, B=Bed,<br>BB=Board, O=Other)                                  |           |           | 1               | 1         |
| Offender / Detainee Medical<br>Referrals as a result of injuries<br>sustained. |  | 1         |           |                 |           |
| Escapes  | Attempted  |           |           | 1               | 0         |
|  | Actual   |           |           | 0               | 0         |
| Grievances:  | # Received   |           |           | 3               |           |
|  | # Resolved in favor of<br>Offender/Detainee                                  |           |           | 0               |           |
| Deaths   | Reason (V=Violent, I=Illness,<br>S=Suicide, A=Attempted<br>Suicide, O=Other) |           | A         | A               | 1A        |
|  | Number   |           | 1         | 10              | 11        |
| Psychiatric / Medical Referrals  | # Medical Cases referred for<br>Outside Care                                 | 203       | 104       | 145             | 183       |
|  | # Psychiatric Cases referred for<br>Outside Care                             | 26        | 5         | 34              | 33        |

Any attempted physical contact or physical contact that involves two or more offenders

Oral, anal or vaginal penetration or attempted penetration involving at least 2 parties, whether it is consenting or non-consenting

Routine transportation of detainees/offenders is not considered "forced"

Any incident that involves four or more detainees/offenders, includes gang fights, organized multiple hunger strikes, work stoppages, hostage situations, major fires, or other large scale incidents.

| DHS/ICE Detention Standards Review Summary Report  1. Acceptable 2. Deficient 5.Not Applicable (IGSA's Only) |  |     |               |   |      |
|--|--|-----|---------------|---|------|
| ega  | l Access Standards                                     |     | 1.            | 2. 3  | . 4. |
|  | Access to Legal Materials                              |     | $\boxtimes$   |   |      |
| 2.   | Group Presentations on Legal Rights                    |     | X             |   |      |
| 3.   | Visitation   |     | ×             |   |      |
| 4  | Telephone Access                                       |     | X             |   |      |
| Deta   | inee Services  |     |               | <u></u> J   |      |
| 5.   | Admission and Release                                  |     | $\boxtimes$   |   |      |
| 6.   | Classification System                                  |     | X             | <del>                                      </del> |      |
| 7.   | Correspondence and Other Mail                          |     | Ø             | H   | +    |
| 8.   | Detainee Handbook                                      |     | X             |   |      |
| 9.   | Food Service   |     | X             | H   |      |
| 10.  | Funds and Personal Property                            |     | H             | H   |      |
| 11.  | Detainee Grievance Procedures                          |     | $\boxtimes$   |   | +    |
| 12.  | Issuance and Exchange of Clothing, Bedding, and Towels |     | X             | H   |      |
| 13.  | Marriage Requests                                      |     | X             | H   |      |
| 14.  | Non-Medical Emergency Escorted Trip                    |     | X             | H   |      |
| 15.  | Recreation   |     | Ø             | H   |      |
| 16.  | Religious Practices                                    |     | X             | <del>                                      </del> |      |
| 17.  | Voluntary Work Program                                 |     | X             | H   |      |
| Heal   | th Services  | 711 |               |   |      |
| 18.  | Hunger Strikes   |     | X             |   |      |
| 19.  | Medical Care   |     | X             | <del>       </del>                                |      |
| 20.  | Suicide Prevention and Intervention                    |     | X             |   |      |
| 21.  | Terminal Illness, Advanced Directives and Death        |     | X             |   | +    |
| Secu   | rity and Control                                       |     |               |   |      |
| 22.  | Contraband   |     | X             |   |      |
| 23.  | Detention Files  |     | ×             |   |      |
| 24.  | Disciplinary Policy                                    |     | X             |   |      |
| 25.  | Emergency Plans  |     | B             | -   |      |
| 26.  | Environmental Health and Safety                        |     | Ø             | H   |      |
| 27.  | Hold Rooms in Detention Facilities                     |     | Ø             | H   |      |
| 28.  | Key and Lock Control                                   |     | X             |   |      |
| 29.  | Population Counts                                      |     | X             | H   |      |
| 30.  | Post Orders  |     | X             | HH  | +    |
| 31.  | Security Inspections                                   |     | <del>\$</del> | HH  | +    |
| 32.  | Special Management Units (Administrative Segregation)  |     | Â             |   |      |
| 33.  | Special Management Units (Disciplinary Segregation)    |     | ₩.            | <del>   -   </del>                                |      |
| 34.  | Tool Control   |     | R             | ┝╤┼╢  | -    |
| 35.  | Transportation (Land management)                       |     | X             |   | +    |
| 36.  | Use of Force   |     | X             |   | +    |
| 37.  | Staff / Detainee Communication                         |     | X             | <del>      </del>                                 | +    |
| 38.  | Detainee Transfer                                      |     | 18            |   | +    |
| 39.  | Detainee Search  |     | 1             | 1   |      |

## RIC Review Assurance Statement

By signing below, the Reviewer-In-Charge (RIC) certifies that all findings of noncompliance with policy or inadequate controls contained in the Review Report are supported by evidence that is sufficient and reliable. Furthermore, findings of noteworthy accomplishments are supported by sufficient and reliable evidence. Within the scope of the review, the facility is operating in accordance with applicable law and policy, and property and resources are efficiently used and adequately safeguarded, except for the deficiencies noted in the report.

| Reviewer-In-Charge: (Print Name) |  | Sionature                  |
|----------------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| 56 b7c                           |  | b6,57c                     |
| Title & Duty Location            |  |                            |
| Detention/Deportation Officer    |  | 8-904                      |
|                                  |  |                            |
| Team Members                     |  |                            |
|                                  | ***************************************    |                            |
| Print Name & Duty Location       |  | Print Name & Duty Location |
| b6.b7c PHS                       |  | SIEA/Phoenix               |
| Print Name & Duty Location       |  | Print Name & Duty Location |
| b6,b7c DO/Denver                 |  |                            |
| RIC Rating Recommendation:       | Superior Good Acceptable Deficient At-Risk |                            |

RIC Comments: It is the RIC recommendation that the facility receive a rating of "Acceptable." The facility now fully complies with 36-of-37 standards.

| HEADQUARTERS EXECUTIVE REVIEW    |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Review Author                    | ny.  |  |  |  |
| The signature be from receipt of | low constitutes review of this report and accepta<br>this report to respond to all findings and reco | nce by the Review Authority. FD/OIC/CEO will have 30 days mmendations. |  |  |
| Victor X. Cerda                  | IVE REVIEW: (Please Print Name)  | Signature  |  |  |
| Title Acting Director            |  | Date 11 2 / 0 - 1  |  |  |
| Final Rating:                    | ☐ Superior ☐ Good ☑ Acceptable ☐ Deficient ☐ At-Risk   |  |  |  |
| Comments:                        | It is the RIC recommendation that the facility recomplies with 36-of-37 standards.                   | eceive a rating of "Acceptable." The facility now fully                |  |  |