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

**Arizona**

On April 17, 2020, the Arizona Department of Corrections 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico sentenced to five years and three months imprisonment and lifetime probation for counts of sexual 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 April 29, 2020, the Arizona Department of Corrections 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Sudan sentenced to twenty-eight years and nine months imprisonment for four counts of aggravated assault deadly weapon, two counts of disorderly conduct weapon, one count of attempt to commit murder 1st degree premeditated, one count of criminal trespass 3rd degree and one count of possession of a weapon by prohibited person and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject is a lawful permanent resident who has a final order of removal.

**Arkansas**

On April 1, 2020, the Benton County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Guatemala convicted of sexual solicitation/indecency with a minor and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject illegally re-entered the United States after having been previously removed.

**Florida**

On April 10, 2020, the Collier County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with aggravated battery on a victim who the subject knew or should have known was pregnant, obstruction of justice, and tampering in felony proceedings and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject illegally re-entered the United States after having been previously removed.

**Georgia**

On April 1, 2020, the Georgia Department of Corrections 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico convicted of child molestation and possession of marijuana 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 April 7, 2020, the Gwinnett County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with rape and aggravated child molestation by sodomy with a prior conviction of counterfeiting and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject illegally re-entered the United States after having been previously removed.

On April 10, 2020, the Gwinnett County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of El Salvador charged with simple battery, disorderly conduct, no driver’s license and
outstanding warrants for two counts of strongarm rape and strongarm sodomy-sexual assault. In addition, the subject has previous convictions for concealed weapon carrying, inflicting corporal injury to spouse/cohabitant, aggravated DUI, DUI, and disorderly intoxication. The Gwinnett County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject illegally re-entered the United States after having been previously removed twice.

**Massachusetts**

On April 13, 2020, the Bristol County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Brazil charged with 11 counts of credit card fraud, 15 counts of identity fraud, and 15 counts of credit card forgery and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject last entered the United States as a nonimmigrant visitor.

**North Carolina**

On April 2, 2020, the Gaston County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Honduras charged with three counts of trafficking methamphetamine, maintaining a vehicle/dwelling/place for controlled substance, four counts of misdemeanor child abuse, and no operator’s license 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 April 1, 2020, the Tulsa County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with trafficking methamphetamine, possession of a firearm in commission of a felony, and traffic violations 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 April 16, 2020, the Tulsa County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with possession of stolen vehicle after a prior conviction of possession of controlled drug with intent, conspiracy to commit a felony, own/operate a chop shop, possession of drug proceeds, use of surveillance cameras in commission of felony, possession of firearm during felony, drug tax stamp, fugitive from justice for previous arrest and convictions for false impersonation, felony possession of controlled drug with intent, and possession of a firearm. The Tulsa County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program 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 April 18, 2020, the Horry County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with no driver's license, unlawful turning/wrong lane, and resisting arrest by false information with a prior conviction for dealing in cocaine or narcotic drugs and sentenced to 20 years’ incarceration with 17 years suspended. The Horry County Sheriff’s Office 287(g)
Texas

On April 11, 2020, the Tarrant County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with aggravated assault deadly weapon and assault bodily injury/family member 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 April 12, 2020, the Smith County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with driving while intoxicated and fail to identify fugitive intent 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 April 19, 2020, the Tarrant County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of El Salvador charged with driving while intoxicated – open container with a prior criminal conviction for unlawful carrying of a weapon 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 April 23, 2020, the Potter County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Sudan charged with assault family member impede breath with a criminal history of theft, evading arrest, and lesser included offense of assault causes bodily injury family violence and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject is a lawful permanent resident who is amenable to removal.

On April 24, 2020, the Nueces County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico arrested for driving while intoxicated and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject illegally re-entered the United States after having been previously removed on five previous occasions.

Virginia

On April 7, 2020, the Prince William - Manassas Regional Adult Detention Center 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of El Salvador charged with driving while intoxicated and without a driver’s license and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection.