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

**Alabama**

On December 17, 2019, the Etowah County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Colombia with an outstanding felony warrant for burglary and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States as a non-immigrant visitor who failed to depart the United States as required.

On December 21, 2019, the Etowah County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Guatemala charged with driving while 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.

**Arizona**

On December 18, 2019, the Arizona Department of Corrections 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico sentenced to 187 years imprisonment for the felony offenses of 4 counts of sexual conduct with minor, 4 counts of aggravated assault adult on minor, 4 counts of kidnapping, 2 counts of sexual abuse, and 1 count of attempt to commit sexual abuse 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 December 26, 2019, the Arizona Department of Corrections 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico sentenced to 17 years imprisonment for 2 counts of felony sexual abuse of a minor and 2 counts of molestation of a child and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States as a lawful permanent resident.

**Arkansas**

On December 12, 2019, the Benton County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with driving under the influence and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject illegally re-entered the United States after having been previously removed from the United States.

On December 25, 2019, the Benton County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of El Salvador charged with 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.

**Georgia**

On December 19, 2019, the Floyd County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of India charged with kidnapping and battery 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 December 17, 2019, the Georgia Department of Corrections 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Jamaica convicted of child molestation and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States as a lawful permanent resident.
**Massachusetts**

On December 20, 2019, the Barnstable County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Brazil charged with operating under the influence-liquor, negligent operation of motor vehicle, fail to stop for police, unlicensed operation of MV, and fail to stop/yield and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject illegally re-entered the United States after having been previously removed from the United States.

On December 23, 2019, the Massachusetts Department of Correction 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Brazil sentenced to 6 years 1-day imprisonment for operating under the influence-vessel on water - death resulting and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject entered the United States as a non-immigrant visitor who failed to depart the United States as required.

On December 17, 2019, the Plymouth County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Brazil charged with abuse prevention act violations and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. Previously, on July 24, 2019, the subject was arrested by the Rockland Police Department for rape, assault and battery of 60+/disabled, assault and battery family/household member, assault family/household member, and threatening to commit crime. The Plymouth County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject; however, on August 2, 2019, the subject was released from the Hingham District Court without honoring the immigration detainer. On December 17, 2019, the subject was arrested again by the Rockland Police Department for the aforementioned offense of abuse prevention act violations. The subject entered the United States on an unknown date and location without inspection.

On December 28, 2019, the Plymouth County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Ecuador with outstanding warrants for kidnapping, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, assault and battery on family/household member, and witness intimidation and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject illegally re-entered the United States after 3 prior removals from the United States.

**Oklahoma**

On December 19, 2019, the Tulsa County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with trafficking heroin, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of drug proceeds 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 December 19, 2019, the Tulsa County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with trafficking heroin and display or present false ID document 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 December 31, 2019, the Tulsa County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with possession of a controlled substance within 1000 ft of a school, possession of a firearm in commission of a felony, leaving the scene/property damage accident, no driver’s license, fugitive from justice, possession of methamphetamine and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject illegally re-entered the United States after having been previously removed from the United States.
South Carolina

On December 25, 2019, the Charleston County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with felony driving without a license causing great bodily injury and no state driver’s license and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject illegally re-entered the United States after 3 prior removals from the United States.

On December 16, 2019, the Lexington County 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with kidnapping, weapons/possession, weapon during violent crime, domestic violence of a high and aggravated nature, sex/criminal sexual conduct second 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.

Tennessee

On December 14, 2019, the Knox County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with aggravated sexual battery 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 December 18, 2019, the Smith 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 illegally re-entered the United States after having been previously removed from the United States.

On December 11, 2019, the Tarrant County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with indecency with child 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 December 28, 2019, the Tarrant County Sheriff’s Office 287(g) Program encountered a citizen of Mexico charged with sexual assault of a child and placed an immigration detainer and warrant on the subject. The subject illegally re-entered the United States after having been previously removed from the United States.