

March 24, 2021

TO: [REDACTED]  
Assistant Director Custody Management

FROM: [REDACTED]  
Lead Compliance Inspector  
The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT: **Annual Detention Inspection of the Dorchester County Detention Center**

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the National Detention Standards (NDS 2019) of the Dorchester County Detention Center in Cambridge, Maryland during the period of March 22-24, 2021. This is an IGSA.

The inspection was performed under the guidance of [REDACTED], Lead Compliance Inspector. Team members were:

Subject Matter Field	Team Member
Detainee Rights	[REDACTED]
Security	[REDACTED]
Medical Care	[REDACTED]
Safety	[REDACTED] ung
Medical Care	[REDACTED]

**Type of Inspection**

This is a scheduled annual inspection which is performed to determine overall compliance with the ICE NDS 2019 for Over 72 hour facilities. The facility received a previous rating of Meets Standards during the March 2020 (NDS 2000) annual inspection.

**Inspection Summary**

The Dorchester County Detention Center is currently accredited by:

- The American Correctional Association (ACA) - No
- The National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCCHC) - No
- The Joint Commission (TJC) - No
- Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) -No

**Standards Compliance**

The following information is a summary of the standards that were reviewed and overall compliance that was determined as a result of the 2020 and 2021 annual inspections:



<i>2020 Annual Inspection</i>		<i>2021 Annual Inspection</i>	
Meets Standards	37	Meets Standards	31
Does Not Meet Standards	0	Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Finding	0	Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	2	Not Applicable	2

The inspection team identified twenty-five (25) deficient components in the following twelve (12) standards:

- Environmental Health and Safety – 3
- Facility Security and Control – 1
- Detainee Funds and Personal Property – 2
- Food Service – 5
- Hunger Strikes – 1
- Personal Hygiene – 2
- Suicide Prevention and Intervention – 4
- Telephone Access – 2
- Visitation – 2
- Detainee Handbook – 1
- Grievance System – 1
- Law Library and Legal Materials - 1

### **Facility Snapshot/Description**

The Dorchester County Detention Center is located in Cambridge, Maryland, approximately eighty miles southeast of the Baltimore/Washington International Airport. The facility, constructed in 1992, is owned and operated by the Dorchester County Council. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] . It currently houses adult male and female detainees from Dorchester County. [REDACTED]

The facility is a one-story building housing the Dorchester County Detention Center and Dorchester County Sheriff's Office. The building is enclosed by two twelve-foot chain link fences which are supplemented with razor ribbon. There is a perimeter road around the compound that is routinely patrolled by an unarmed officer. There are 48 surveillance cameras which monitor the entire perimeter and critical movement and common areas inside the facility. All movement is escorted.

The facility has four adult male general population housing units each configured into two tiers with eight two-bed cells on each level and two female general population housing units designed into two separate units each with eight two-bed cells. There is one special management unit for males consisting of fifteen one-bed cells and one unit for females consisting of two cells each with two-beds. Housing units receive indirect supervision from roving officers.



There are two outdoor recreation yards and one gymnasium. All detainees are afforded at least one hour of outdoor recreation five days a week and daily indoor dayroom time. The housing units each have a dayroom area equipped with one television, two telephones, and fixed chair/table units on which detainees eat their meals, play board games, converse with one another or watch television.

Additionally, each detainee is assigned a personal electronic tablet on which they can replicate the kiosk functions, plus make telephone calls, access games, and read books. The OIC stated that the detainee handbook can be accessed via the tablet. Each detainee is provided an open top personal property storage container.

Detainee telephone and tablet services are provided by Securus Technologies; medical services by Wellpath; food service operations are contracted with Aramark; and maintenance services are the responsibility of Dorchester County employees. ICE detainees will not incur medical co-pays.

#### **Areas of Concern/Significant Observations**

The inspection was conducted remotely and inspectors were unable to personally observe practices and procedures within the facility. The inspection team relied upon photographs and/or videos to validate the observation of many standards. There were no areas of concern or significant observations.

#### **Recommended Rating and Justification**

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Meets Standards unless unobserved practices and conditions are contrary to what was reported to the inspection team. The facility complies with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS) 2019 for Over 72-hour facilities. No (0) Standards were rated as Does Not Meet Standard and two (2) standards were Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining thirty-one (31) standards were found to Meet Standards.

#### **LCI Assurance Statement**

The findings of compliance and noncompliance are accurately and completely documented on the G-324 Inspection Form and are supported by documentation in the inspection file. An out brief was conducted remotely and in addition to the entire Nakamoto Group, Inc. Inspection Team, the following participated via telephone:

- ICE Officials – [REDACTED]



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- Facility Staff – [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], Lead Compliance Inspector  
Printed Name of LCI

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Date

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