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TO: [REDACTED]
Assistant Director for Detention Management

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

SUBJECT: **Annual Detention Inspection of the Coastal Bend Detention Center**

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE Performance-Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS 2008) of the Coastal Bend Detention Center in Robstown, Texas during the period of January 7-9, 2020. This is an IGSA facility.

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]
Medical Care	[REDACTED]

Type of Inspection

This is a scheduled annual inspection which is performed to determine overall compliance with the ICE PBNDS 2008 for Over 72 hour facilities. The facility received a previous rating of Meets Standards during the January 2019 inspection.

Inspection Summary

The Coastal Bend Detention Center is currently accredited by:

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

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 2019 and 2020 annual compliance inspections:



2019 Annual Inspection	
Meets Standards	39
Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	2

2020 Annual Inspection	
Meets Standards	37
Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	4

The inspection team identified four (4) deficient components in the following four (4) standards:

- Staff-Detainee Communications - 1
- Food Service – 1
- Telephone Access – 1
- Visitation – 1, which is a Priority component

Facility Snapshot/Description

The Coastal Bend Detention Center is owned and operated by The Geo Group, Inc. The facility is located near Robstown, Texas, approximately thirty miles north of Corpus Christi, Texas. The complex was built in 2008. It currently houses adult male and female USMS detainees and ICE detainees of all classification levels. ICE detainees are segregated from non-ICE detainee populations in their housing and activities. Housing is governed by compatible custody levels. The [REDACTED] facility does not house juveniles. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] In September, the ICE detainee population was reduced to only those detainees who had been released from USMS custody and had rolled over into ICE custody. These detainees are processed by ICE and are moved from the facility within 24 to 48 hours. [REDACTED]

The compound is a 25-acre plot containing four separate buildings interconnected with covered walkways watched by central control and post personnel. A network of 151 monitored and recorded surveillance cameras augment internal security and observation efforts. The entire perimeter is surrounded by dual twelve-foot chain-link fences supplemented with razor ribbon, top and bottom. The perimeter is encircled by a paved road patrolled by an armed officer 24 hours a day. The entire perimeter is monitored by surveillance cameras.

The facility consists of sixteen-bed dormitories, 48-bed dormitories, eight-bed dormitories and two-bed cells. The facility is ADA compliant and has at least one handicapped accessible cell in each housing unit. During the inspection all ICE detainees were classified as low custody and were housed together in one housing unit. The inspection team visited the housing unit several times during the inspection. The detainees were interviewed by several inspectors and none voiced any complaints. The detainees were interviewed as a group and those that were willing to speak to the inspectors individually were interviewed in a private, confidential setting. LEP detainees were interviewed using the language line. The facility also utilizes a tablet equipped with a translation application that will translate sign language if necessary. The facility was observed to be clean and well maintained. Personnel interviewed were well-versed in the requirements of the Standards and the concept of civil detention.

Medical services and food services are provided by The GEO Group, Inc. Detainees are not charged a co-payment for medical or mental health services.

Areas of Concern/Significant Observations



Priority Component – Does Not Meet Standard

Visitation

Policy: Component #5 – General visitation is permitted during set hours on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, and to the extent practicable, the facility accommodates the scheduling needs of visitors for whom weekends and holidays pose a hardship. The number of visitors a detainee receives and the length of visits are limited only by reasonable constraints of space, scheduling, staff availability, safety, security, and good order. The minimum duration for a visit is thirty minutes.

Finding: ICE detainee visitation is scheduled from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday only. Detainees are permitted thirty minutes for a visit.

Recommendation: ICE detainee visitation should be permitted on Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

Recommended Rating and Justification

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Meets Standards. The facility complies with the ICE Performance Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS) 2008. No (0) standards were found Does Not Meet Standards and four (4) standards were Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining thirty-seven (37) standards were found to be in compliance.

LCI Assurance Statement

The findings of compliance and non-compliance 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 at the facility and in addition to the entire Nakamoto Group, Inc. Inspection Team, the following were present:

- ICE Officials – [Redacted]
- Facility Staff [Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted], Lead Compliance Inspector

January 9, 2020

Printed Name of LCI

Date

