



The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

December 2, 2021

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

SUBJECT: **Annual Inspection of the Robert A. Deyton Detention Center**

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual hybrid inspection for compliance with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS 2019) of the Robert A. Deyton Detention Center in Lovejoy, Georgia during the period of November 30 - December 2, 2021. This is an IGSA facility.

The inspection was performed under the guidance of Lead Compliance [Redacted] Team members were:

Subject Matter Field	Team Member
Detainee Rights	[Redacted]
Security	[Redacted]
Medical Care	[Redacted]
Medical Care	[Redacted]
Safety	[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 December 2020 annual inspection.

**Inspection Summary**

The Robert A. Deyton Detention Center is currently accredited by:

- The American Correctional Association (ACA) - Yes
- The National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) - Yes
- 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 December 2020 and December 2021 annual compliance inspections:



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<i>December 2020 Annual Inspection</i>	
Meets Standard	29
Does Not Meet Standard	1
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	3

<i>December 2021 Annual Inspection</i>	
Meets Standard	30
Does Not Meet Standard	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	3

The inspection team identified thirteen (13) deficient components in the following nine (9) standards:

- Admission and Release – 1
- Custody Classification - 1
- Detainee Funds and Personal Property – 1
- Staff-Detainee Communication – 3
- Suicide Prevention and Intervention – 2, both of which are repeat deficiencies
- Recreation – 1, which is a repeat deficiency
- Visitation – 2
- Law Library and Legal Material – 1
- Detention Files – 1

#### **Facility Snapshot/Description**

The Robert A. Deyton Detention Center was constructed in [REDACTED] and is owned by Clayton County and operated by the Geo Group, Inc. The facility is located in Lovejoy, Georgia approximately 35 miles south of Atlanta. This IGSA has an operational capacity of [REDACTED] beds and employs both direct and indirect models of supervision to all classification levels of male ICE detainees and male and female U.S. Marshal Service (USMS) detainees. [REDACTED]

The facility is a two-story structure with four general population housing units. Each housing unit contains six pods. A single pod, separate from USMS detainees, is used to house ICE detainees of all classification levels. The pod consists of [REDACTED] double occupancy cells with sixteen of the cells situated on a top tier. ICE detainees of same or similar classification levels are housed together, but are not prohibited from comingling during meals, recreational activities, and socializing. There is a dedicated special management unit (SMU) at this facility and a medical unit with three observation cells.

On-site inspectors found the living units to be well lit with both natural and artificial light and observed adequate open space for detainees. The dayrooms are furnished with octagon metal tables with attached seats for detainees to participate in leisure time activities, socializing, playing board games, and playing cards. Televisions are available for detainees to view. Detainees have access to a kiosk and computer tablets for video visitation, facility programs, ordering commissary, and viewing the local handbook. The tablets are not programmed to communicate with ICE via electronic mail or detainee request. Group religious services and general visitation have been suspended due to health concerns associated with the COVID-19 virus. Remote video visitation is available to detainees for a fee as a general visitation option. Other COVID-19 response operational changes include all newly received detainees being quarantined upon admission to the facility. Detainees complaining of symptoms will be COVID-19 tested immediately. Indoor and outdoor recreation is available to detainees one hour per day, seven days per week which aligns with the minimum requirement of the standard. ICE detainees do not participate in the voluntary work program.

The facility is climate controlled, and the physical plant was found to be in good repair. All staff interviewed was well-versed in facility guidelines and operating procedures as well as the National Detention Standards. Officers and staff were professional during interviews and detainees interviewed spoke willingly and



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respectfully. The facility employs few bilingual staff but allows easy access to translation services. A review of sanitation inspection reports, interviews with staff and detainees, and observation by on-site inspectors concluded that the sanitation level of the facility was acceptable.

The facility received two additional detainees on the second day of the inspection; the inspection team interviewed all three detainees housed at this facility. Interpreter assistance was provided by the medical SME when needed for Spanish speaking detainees. There were no substantive concerns voiced when asked about personal safety, access to mail, medical services, or treatment by staff. Inspectors verified that memoranda, posters, and other types of key information are posted in English and Spanish throughout the facility, which are the languages primarily spoken by detainees. While conducting formal interviews, two detainees complained of not having the correct pin number to allow them to have access to detainee telephones. This concern was brought to the attention of the assistant OIC who had the issue resolved immediately. One detainee complained to the safety SME that when he received a transfer of custody from U.S. Marshal Service (USMS) to ICE, he was placed on cohort status when moved from one housing unit inside the facility to the ICE housing unit. The detainee stated that while on cohort status, he was not offered recreation. The safety SME interviewed the recreation specialist and reviewed the recreation logs for the time period the detainee complained of not receiving recreation. The review found there was no documentation of the detainee receiving recreation. This concern was brought to the attention of the OIC and SDDO. Detainees were reminded of the proper procedures for filing grievances and the availability of the OIG hotline for submitting complaints.

Medical (except for medical specialists) and food services are provided by employees of The Geo Group, Inc. The facility does not charge co-pays for medical, mental health, or dental care. The detainee telephone, computer tablet, and kiosk systems are provided by GTL.

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

There were no areas of concern or significant observations during this hybrid inspection. On-site inspection team members were provided all requested documentation and observed the practices and procedures of the facility. The remote inspector relied upon medical files to validate the quality of medical care review.

#### **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) standard was rated as Does Not Meet Standard and three (3) standards were Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining thirty (30) standards were found to Meet Standards.

#### **LCI Assurance Statement**

The findings of compliance and non-compliance are accurately and completely documented on the G-324A Inspection Form and are supported by documentation in the inspection file. An out brief, with some participating telephonically, was conducted and in addition to the entire Nakamoto Group, Inc. Inspection Team, the following participated:

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



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██████████ Lead Compliance Inspector

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Printed Name of LCI

Date