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Enforcement

April 16, 2007

MEMORANDUM FOR: John P. Torres
Director
Office of Detention and Removal

FROM: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Reviewer-In-Charge
Harlingen Resident Office

SUBJECT: Review Summary Report for: Limestone County Detention Center
(Initial over 72-hr)

The Harlingen Resident Office, San Antonio Field Office Area of Responsibility, Office of Detention and Removal conducted a detention review of the **Limestone County Detention Center** on April 10, 2007. This facility is used for detainees requiring housing over 72-hours. I, [REDACTED], Reviewer-in-Charge and [REDACTED] conducted the review.

Type of Review:

This review is a scheduled Operational Review to determine general compliance with established Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) National Detention Standards.

Review Summary:

It was determined through this review that the Limestone County Detention Center is presently operating at a "Good" level. The team members identified some minor issues. All of these were discussed with the facility's Administrators and they were corrected immediately and or in the process of correcting.

It should be noted that this facility was advised by the inspection team that the placement of the current telephones. The telephones in some areas were placed in such a way that limits the amount of privacy of the caller. Some telephones were placed to close together or under a television set. These items were addressed and the management team will correct in order to meet standard. It should also be noted that the facility currently does not have a policy that addresses the Detainee Transfer Standard. According to the Special Assistant to Regional Manager [REDACTED] b6 this is an isolating standard. When the facility starts receiving ICE detainees, standard will be in compliance. This facility was reviewed back on the 28th of September 2006, as an under 72 hour facility.

BEST PRACTICE: The facility is designed where the Special Management Unit is located in the Medical section. The Medical section is staffed 24 hours a day. During the inspection, no disciplinary, administration, or medical isolation detainees were being housed.

Review Finding:

The following information summarizes those standards *not* in compliance. Each standard is identified and a short summary provided regarding standards or procedures not currently in compliance.

Compliant - ALL
Deficient - None
At-Risk - None
Non-Applicable - Detainee Transfer Standard

Standards Summary Finding:

During the review **no** constraints or abnormal difficulties were encountered. Staff was extremely cooperative and was available to assist reviewers and to answer questions posed by this team.

RIC Observations:

This facility is committed to improving and is currently spending whatever monies are necessary to comply with ICE commitments and standards.

RIC Issues and Concerns:

There were no issues or concerns with this facility.

Recommended Rating and Justification:

It is this RIC's recommendation that the facility is operating in a good level. The facility was supportive of ALL the changes needed to meet the standards set in this review. This facility's goal is to comply with ALL of the standards.

RIC Assurance Statement:

It is the opinion of this RIC that the findings of compliance are documented in the G-324a Inspection Form and that it is supported by documentation in the review file.

A. Type of Facility Reviewed

ICE Service Processing Center
 ICE Contract Detention Facility
 ICE Intergovernmental Service Agreement

B. Current Inspection

Type of Inspection
 Field Office HQ Inspection
 Date[s] of Facility Review
 April 9 & 10 2007

C. Previous/Most Recent Facility Review

Date[s] of Last Facility Review
 Last over 72 hour review 20 Sep 2005, date of last under 72 hour review 28 Sep 2006
 Previous Rating
 Superior Good Acceptable Deficient At-Risk

D. Name and Location of Facility

Name
 Limestone County Detention Center
 Address (Street and Name)
 910 N. Tyus Road
 City, State and Zip Code
 Groesbeck, Texas 76642
 County
 Limestone
 Name and Title of Chief Executive Officer (Warden/OIC/Superintendent)
 b6,b7c Warden
 Telephone # (Include Area Code)
 (254) b6,b7c
 Field Office / Sub-Office (List Office with oversight responsibilities)
 San Antonio
 Distance from Field Office
 280 miles

E. ICE Information

Name of Inspector (Last Name, Title and Duty Station)
 b6,b7c / IEA / HLG
 Name of Team Member / Title / Duty Location
 b6,b7c / DPO / T. Don Hutto Resident Office
 Name of Team Member / Title / Duty Location
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F. CDF/IGSA Information Only

Contract Number M-80-99-0115 (USM)	Date of Contract or IGSA 22 FEB 1999
Basic Rates per Man-Day \$42.00	
Other Charges: (If None, Indicate N/A) NA; ; ;	
Estimated Man-days Per Year \$207,000.00	

G. Accreditation Certificates

List all State or National Accreditation[s] received:
 Texas Commission on Jail Standards 14 July 2006
 Check box if facility has no accreditation[s]

H. Problems / Complaints (Copies must be attached)

The Facility is under Court Order or Class Action Finding
 Court Order Class Action Order
 The Facility has Significant Litigation Pending
 Major Litigation Life/Safety Issues
 Check if None.

I. Facility History

Date Built
 1989
 Date Last Remodeled or Upgraded
 2006-2007
 Date New Construction / Bedspace Added
 2007
 Future Construction Planned
 Yes No Date:
 Current Bedspace | Future Bedspace (# New Beds only)
 1026 | Number: NA Date:

J. Total Facility Population

Total Facility Intake for previous 12 months
 4817
 Total ICE Mandays for Previous 12 months
 136

K. Classification Level (ICE SPCs and CDFs Only)

	L-1	L-2	L-3
Adult Male			
Adult Female			

L. Facility Capacity

	Rated	Operational	Emergency
Adult Male	1026	1026	1226
Adult Female	0	0	0
<input type="checkbox"/> Facility holds Juveniles Offenders 16 and older as Adults			

M. Average Daily Population

	ICE	USMS	Other
Adult Male	37	16	883.5
Adult Female			

N. Facility Staffing Level

Security: Support:
 b2High

Significant Incident Summary Worksheet

For ICE to complete its review of your facility, the following information must be completed prior to the scheduled review dates. The information on this form should contain data for the past twelve months in the boxes provided. The information on this form is used in conjunction with the ICE Detention Standards in assessing your Detention Operations against the needs of the ICE and its detained population. This form should be filled out by the facility prior to the start of any inspection. Failure to complete this section will result in a delay in processing this report and the possible reduction or removal of ICE' detainees at your facility.

<i>Incidents</i>	<i>Description</i>	Jan – Mar	Apr – Jun	Jul – Sept	Oct – Dec
Assault: Offenders on Offenders ¹	Types (Sexual ² , Physical, etc.)	P	P	P	P
	With Weapon	0	0	0	0
	Without Weapon	2	5	4	5
Assault: Detainee on Staff	Types (Sexual Physical, etc.)	P	P	P	P
	With Weapon	0	0	0	1
	Without Weapon	2	3	3	5
Number of Forced Moves, incl. Forced Cell moves ³		0	0	0	0
Disturbances ⁴		0	0	0	0
Number of Times Chemical Agents Used		0	0	0	0
Number of Times Special Reaction Team Deployed/Used		0	0	0	0
# Times Four/Five Point Restraints applied/used	Number/Reason (M=Medical, V=Violent Behavior, O=Other)	0	0	0	0
	Type (C=Chair, B=Bed, BB=Board, O=Other)	NA	NA	NA	NA
Offender / Detainee Medical Referrals as a result of injuries sustained.		2	5	4	4
Escapes	Attempted	0	1	0	0
	Actual	0	0	0	0
Grievances:	# Received	90	40	14	60
	# Resolved in favor of Offender/Detainee	43	21	4	35
Deaths	Reason (V=Violent, I=Illness, S=Suicide, A=Attempted Suicide, O=Other)	NA	NA	NA	NA
	Number	0	0	0	0
Psychiatric / Medical Referrals	# Medical Cases referred for Outside Care	18	36	45	15
	# Psychiatric Cases referred for Outside Care	1	6	3	2

¹ Any attempted physical contact or physical contact that involves two or more offenders

² Oral, anal or vaginal penetration or attempted penetration involving at least 2 parties, whether it is consenting or non-consenting

³ Routine transportation of detainees/offenders is not considered "forced"

⁴ Any incident that involves four or more detainees/offenders, includes gang fights, organized multiple hunger strikes, work stoppages, hostage situations, major fires, or other large scale incidents.

DHS/ICE Detention Standards Review Summary Report

1. Acceptable 2. Deficient 3. At Risk 4. Repeat Finding 5. Not Applicable

Legal Access Standards		1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
1.	Access to Legal Materials	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.	Group Presentations on Legal Rights	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3.	Visitation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.	Telephone Access	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Detainee Services						
5.	Admission and Release	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6.	Classification System	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7.	Correspondence and Other Mail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8.	Detainee Handbook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9.	Food Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
10.	Funds and Personal Property	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11.	Detainee Grievance Procedures	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
12.	Issuance and Exchange of Clothing, Bedding, and Towels	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
13.	Marriage Requests	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14.	Non-Medical Emergency Escorted Trip	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15.	Recreation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
16.	Religious Practices	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
17.	Voluntary Work Program	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Health Services						
18.	Hunger Strikes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
19.	Medical Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
20.	Suicide Prevention and Intervention	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
21.	Terminal Illness, Advanced Directives and Death	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Security and Control						
22.	Contraband	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
23.	Detention Files	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
24.	Disciplinary Policy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
25.	Emergency Plans	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
26.	Environmental Health and Safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
27.	Hold Rooms in Detention Facilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
28.	Key and Lock Control	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
29.	Population Counts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
30.	Post Orders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
31.	Security Inspections	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
32.	Special Management Units (Administrative Segregation)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
33.	Special Management Units (Disciplinary Segregation)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
34.	Tool Control	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
35.	Transportation (Land management)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
36.	Use of Force	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
37.	Staff/ Detainee Communication (Added August 2003)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
38.	Detainee Transfer (Added September 2004)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

All findings (Deficient and At-Risk) require written comment describing the finding and what is necessary to meet compliance.

RIC Review Assurance Statement

By signing below, the Reviewer-In-Charge (RIC) certifies that all findings of noncompliance with policy or inadequate controls contained in the Inspection Report are supported by evidence that is sufficient and reliable. Furthermore, findings of noteworthy accomplishments are supported by sufficient and reliable evidence. Within the scope of the review, the facility is operating in accordance with applicable law and policy, and property and resources are efficiently used and adequately safeguarded, except for the deficiencies noted in the report.

Reviewer-In-Charge: (Print Name) b6,b7c	b6,b7c
Title & Duty Location Immigration Enforcement Agent, Harlingen, Texas	Date April 16, 2007

Team Members	
Print Name, Title, & Duty Location b6,b7c Deportation Officer, T. Don Hutto Resident Office	Print Name, Title, & Duty Location
Print Name, Title, & Duty Location	Print Name, Title, & Duty Location

Recommended Rating:

- Superior
- Good
- Acceptable
- Deficient
- At-Risk

Comments: This facility was build in 1989. It is located in the town of Groesbeck, Texas in the county of Limestone. This facility is in the San Antonio Field Office Area of Responsibility.

This reviewer did advise management and the compliance team that current policies needed to be updated. Some issues were noted and addressed. One issue was the the telephones. The current location of the telephones for the detainees did not provide adequate privacy for phone calls. Item was addressed to the Warden. Warden b6,b7c stated that issue will be corrected to ensure compliance.

HEADQUARTERS EXECUTIVE REVIEW

Review Authority

The signature below constitutes review of this report and acceptance by the Review Authority. **OIC/CEO will have 30 days from receipt of this report to respond to all findings and recommendations.**

HQDRO EXECUTIVE REVIEW: (Please Print Name)	Signature
b6,b7c	b6,b7c
Title	Date
Chief, DSCU	9/25/07

- Final Rating:**
- Superior
 - Good
 - Acceptable
 - Deficient
 - At-Risk

Comments: The Review Authority concurs with the Reviewer-In-Charge (RIC) recommended rating of "Good" as justified in the RIC Memorandum and G-324A Worksheet.