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From: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Sent: 3/13/2020 10:58:32 PM

To: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) ; PEREZ, ROBERT E

CC: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Subject: RE: C1 Memo_Expanded TW Guidance_v5_clean.docx

Done...thanks Debbie!

From: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Friday, March 13, 2020 6:53 PM
To: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) PEREZ, ROBERT E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Cc: HUFFMAN, BENJAMINE C (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Re: C1 Memo_Expanded TW Guidance_v5_clean.docx

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Otherwise clear. Thank you.

Debbie Seguin
(A) Chief of Staff, CBP
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

From: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Friday, March 13, 2020 6:03:58 PM
To: PEREZ, ROBERT E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
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Subject: C1 Memo_Expanded TW Guidance_v5_clean.docx

Deputy Commissioner,

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v/r,

Message

From: ROBERT.E.PEREZ@ (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: 3/21/2020 4:37:22 PM
To: CAINE, JEFFREY (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
CC: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) SEGUIN, DEBBIE W
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) HUFFMAN, BENJAMINE
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Re: Supplemental top line

Thanks Jeff.

REP

Robert E. Perez
Deputy Commissioner
U.S. Customs & Border Protection

On Mar 21, 2020, at 12:35 PM, CAINE, JEFFREY (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Commissioner/Deputy Commissioner,

Below are the line item bullets for the current supplemental which totals $566M for CBP.

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->$566.4M in total supplemental funding.
  - <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->$377M for Quarantine Facilities
  - <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->$60M in CBP Medical Support
  - <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->$42M Transportation
  - <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->$37.4M in Overtime
  - <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->$18M Consumables
  - <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->$32M in PPE

Jeffrey Caine
Acting Assistant Commissioner
Office of Finance
U.S. Customs and Border Protection
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Message

From: ROBERT.E.PEREZ (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: 3/19/2020 9:09:52 PM
To: HUFFMAN, BENJAMINE C (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
CC: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Re: Donna I, II and El Paso

Yes please - thanks EAC.

REP

Robert E. Perez
Deputy Commissioner
U.S. Customs & Border Protection

On Mar 19, 2020, at 4:34 PM, HUFFMAN, BENJAMINE C (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Sir,

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Carry

From: HUFFMAN, BENJAMINE C
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2020 2:54 PM
To: PEREZ, ROBERT E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Cc: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Donna I, II and El Paso

Sir,
If you have time, I need to discuss with you the Quarantine Facility issue. (b)(5)

(b)(5)

Thanks,
Carry

Message

From: Mark Morgan (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: 3/19/2020 3:04:07 AM
To: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Fwd: Please Read: COVID-19 Update from EAD (b)(6)

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From: (b)(6)
Date: March 18, 2020 at 9:16:31 PM EDT
To: (b)(6) & Mark Morgan (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Fwd: Please Read: COVID-19 Update from EAD (b)(6)

All,

As the COVID-19 situation continues to evolve, we are updating our guidance and protocols accordingly. All of the changes detailed below are designed to balance the safety of our employees with the ability to continue to execute our mission. As an agency charged with a critical national security and law enforcement mission, we cannot afford to fail. We have a job to do, and we will continue to do it. We will encounter obstacles and address them. As an organization we have been through a great deal over many decades, but we have always prevailed, and this situation will be no different.

Effective immediately, we are making the following updates/changes to our posture:

All non-essential domestic travel is cancelled. Any domestic travel deemed mission-essential can go forward, but requires division head approval in advance.
All trainings and conferences are cancelled through April 30, 2020, and divisions hosting those should immediately move forward to cancel or postpone all of the arrangements.
To the extent practicable, all meetings should be held via Skype and/or teleconference to limit the number of employees interacting in-person. If meetings must be held in person, individuals should leave empty chairs/six feet of space in between all meeting participants.
Visitor access to FBI space is limited to official, mission-essential functions only, unless division head approval is granted.
While the FBI is not restricting employees' personal, overseas travel, employees should be aware that they may be quarantined by public health authorities upon their return to the U.S. Any time spent in quarantine as a result of personal travel will have to be covered by personal leave.

As discussed on the Director's SVTC last week, and as detailed by HRD in their follow-up HR Network call last Friday, all divisions should implement the following protocols immediately:

Implement maximum employee schedule flexibility – To the extent possible, supervisors are directed to organize schedules so that there is as little employee overlap as possible in the workplace (i.e., as few employees as possible are in the workspace at the same time). Supervisors should work with employees, including Special Agents, to offer all scheduling flexibilities possible. This includes shifting employee start times, implementing additional Alternative Work Schedules (i.e., schedules with Regular Days Off, or RDOs), and allowing weekend shifts.

Supervisors can also approve "maximum flexibility" (maxi-flex) schedules, which means employees can work up to 12 hours per day, including weekends, to achieve their

required hours per pay period. For example, under maxi-flex, an employee could work from 8:00 am – noon and from 3:00 to 7:00 pm on one day, and work an entirely different schedule the next day. The requirement for employees to be working during core hours is waived for the duration of the emergency. For the duration of the emergency, these schedule shifts can be agreed to with an email between the supervisor and the employee. Note: employee schedule changes that are for the benefit and flexibility of our employees do not qualify for night differential, Sunday pay, and other special pay rates.

Implement maximum utilization of telework – Although not possible for all employees/functions, supervisors are directed to approve employees for telework when possible, including special agents. If mission requirements don't allow for full telework, this could include shifts with partial telework (e.g., 6 hours in the workplace + 2 hours of telework). Supervisors are encouraged to be creative in devising work that can be completed outside of FBI offices. For the duration of the emergency, telework can be agreed to with an email between the supervisor and the employee.

Physically relocate portions of squads/teams – To the extent space/security requirements allow for it, supervisors are directed to shift employee seating arrangements so that functional teams are physically separated. For example, units and squads should be inter-mixed so that functional teams do not all sit in close proximity to each other. This is to mitigate the impact of any future required quarantines of employees that sit in close proximity to each other.

As a reminder, the following protocols remain in place:

All official international travel is suspended, unless approved by the IOD front office.

Division leadership must contact the HRD front office to report any confirmed or presumptive positive cases of COVID-19.

Please keep in mind that this is an evolving situation, so the guidance will change, sometimes daily. Therefore, I encourage you to please read all updates sent via FBINet and UNet.

I also encourage you to visit the Coronavirus Information BUNET site regularly when you are in the office. The FAQs summarize the FBI guidance and are updated frequently. That information is also posted on "Inside the Bureau" (the FBI's UNet intranet; use these instructions to access the site from home or a mobile device).

The best sources for authoritative information about COVID-19 are the website for the CDC, www.cdc.gov, and the www.coronavirus.gov site (accessed from a home or UNET

computer). The CDC has posted extensive guidance about COVID-19, travel, work environments, and hygiene recommendations.

Please continue to **exercise good judgment and be good colleagues**. Wash your hands often and exercise social distancing. Keep yourself and your colleagues healthy by staying home if you are sick, resting, eating well, and managing stress. It sounds simplistic, but it is also what every expert is advising us to do to stay healthy. I understand this is a stressful time with uncertainty ahead. Please watch out for each other like we always have.

Later today, further guidance will be sent to all division heads on how to implement these workforce flexibility strategies.

Best,
(b)(6)

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Message

From: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Sent: 3/11/2020 11:14:33 AM

To: FERRARA, WILLIAM (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Subject: Re:

Perfect. Thx!

Sent from my iPhone

> On Mar 11, 2020, at 7:08 AM, FERRARA, (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:
>
> BLUF: Two separate incidences with a total of 6 Officers at Dulles International Airport (IAD) were ordered to self-quarantine by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) after they were discovered to have contact with a passenger who later tested positive for novel coronavirus (COVID-19).
>
> Five (5) officers have been identified as having contact with the passenger. An additional one (1) officer has been identified as having possible community contact as the spouse of one of the initial officers. CDC was consulted and recommended the employees self-quarantine for the remaining period of 14-days from date of exposure.
>
> Centers for Disease Control (CDC) notified CBP Dulles International Airport of a passenger who traveled through the airport and later tested positive for novel coronavirus (COVID-19). CBP identified one (1) employee who had contact with the passenger the employee self-quarantined
>
>
> William A. Ferrara
> Executive Assistant Commissioner
> Operations Support
> U.S. Customs and Border Protection
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>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
> Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 6:52 AM
> To: FERRARA, WILLIAM (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
> Subject:
>
> Do we have any CBP personnel at Dulles who have been quarantined? AS2 is asking.
>
> Sent from my iPhone

Message

From: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Sent: 3/20/2020 9:57:06 PM

To: MONCAYO, ERIK E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

CC: SCOTT, RODNEY S (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C); Owen, Todd C (EAC OFO) (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C); COLLINS, JAMES L.
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C); PEREZ, ROBERT E
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C); SEGUIN, DEBBIE W
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C); FERRARA, WILLIAM
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Subject: Re: CBP Daily News Brief: Mar. 19, 2020

Thank you for this.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 20, 2020, at 5:20 PM, MONCAYO, ERIK E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Sir,
Just to close this out. Our team reached out to CBPMX, who then reached out to Mex Immigration and USBP's liaison teams.

We did not find any information that could corroborate a sense of urgency among the migrants staged in shelters across the southwest border amid reporting of a potential closure at the U.S./Mexico border.

INM maintains their equivalent of an MCAT report. They are currently at 28% capacity in their shelters.

We've monitoring the daily flows as well. Absent a few spikes this week, the numbers seemed to be holding steady at 1300 +\- daily average.

Let us know if you need anything further.
Thanks
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From: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2020 7:50 AM

To: SCOTT, RODNEY S (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) Owen, Todd C (EAC OFO) (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) MONCAYO, ERIK E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C), (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Cc: PEREZ, ROBERT E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) FERRARA, WILLIAM (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: RE: CBP Daily News Brief: Mar. 19, 2020

Adding Erik and (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) – are you hearing anything from the shelters/intel?

From: MORGAN, MARK A
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2020 7:46 AM
To: RODNEY S SCOTT (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) Owen, Todd C (EAC OFO) (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Cc: PEREZ, ROBERT E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: FW: CBP Daily News Brief: Mar. 19, 2020

Just flagging (b)(6)

From: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2020 7:33 AM
Subject: CBP Daily News Brief: Mar. 19, 2020

March 19, 2020

Executive Summary

The Washington Post reported that U.S. immigration authorities will temporarily halt enforcement across the United States, except for efforts to deport foreign nationals who have committed crimes or who pose a threat to public safety. The change in enforcement status comes amid the coronavirus outbreak and aims to limit the spread of the virus and to encourage those who need treatment to seek medical help. ICE said late Wednesday that its Enforcement and Removal Operations division will

"delay enforcement actions" and use "alternatives to detention" amid the outbreak, according to a notification the agency sent to Congress. ICE told members of Congress that its "highest priorities are to promote lifesaving and public safety activities." Numerous media outlets reported on ICE's announcement.

Meanwhile, Reuters reported Wednesday that migrant shelters said that the number of Mexicans crossing illegally into the United States has risen over the past week in part driven by rumors the United States will seal the border as it seeks to fight the coronavirus spread. Representatives of four migrant shelters in northern Mexico told Reuters that they had seen an uptick in Mexican migrants heading to the border. "There are more people crossing the desert," said Marla Conrad, a social worker for the Kino border initiative in the city of Nogales, close to the U.S. border. Reuters was unable to determine how many had crossed. Conrad said that, among other factors, some of the migrants she spoke to said they had accelerated travel plans over the last week in anticipation the United States would implement stricter measures at the border.

And in other news, the Dallas Morning News reported that business leaders and residents are bracing for an economic blow if the U.S.-Mexico border is sealed to help prevent the spread of the deadly coronavirus. On Wednesday, President Trump and Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau agreed to close the 5,500-mile U.S.-Canada border from nonessential traffic while allowing trade goods to keep flowing, including essential items like food, medicine and fuel. That announcement didn't dispel confusion or worries among leaders of the thousands of foreign-owned assembly plants that stretch along the 2,000-mile southwestern border. Concerns deepened after announcements by Ford and General Motors that they will temporarily close their plants in the U.S. Both were under pressure to protect workers from the spreading coronavirus, but the move will further disrupt supply chains between the countries of North America.

Top News

[A.1] ICE to stop most immigration enforcement inside U.S., will focus on criminals during coronavirus outbreak

March 18, 2020 (The Washington Post - Maria Sacchetti) Reach: 60.2m

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[A.2] More Mexican migrants crossing U.S. border amid closure fears, shelters say

March 18, 2020 (Reuters US News - Lizbeth Diaz) Reach: 25.5m

The number of Mexicans crossing illegally into the United States has risen over the past week, migrant shelters said, in part driven by rumors the United States will seal the border as it seeks to fight the coronavirus spread. Representatives of four migrant shelters in northern Mexico told Reuters that they had seen an uptick in Mexican migrants heading to the border. "There are more people crossing the desert," said Marla Conrad, a social worker for the Kino border initiative in the city of Nogales, close to the U.S. border.

[A.3] If the Mexico border closes, economic ripples will be felt around the world

March 18, 2020 (The Dallas Morning News - Alfredo Corchado) Reach: 4.7m
Business leaders and residents are bracing for a wrenching economic blow that could be felt far beyond this region if the U.S.-Mexico border is sealed to help prevent the spread of the deadly coronavirus. On Wednesday, President Trump and Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau agreed to close the 5,500-mile U.S.-Canada border from nonessential traffic while allowing trade goods to keep flowing, including essential items like food, medicine and fuel. That announcement didn't dispel confusion or worries among leaders of the thousands of foreign-owned assembly plants that stretch along the 2,000-mile southwestern border.

NEWS INDEX

Border Security (Along U.S. Borders)

[B.1] The U.S.-Canada Border Is Closed to Most People Because of the Coronavirus Pandemic

March 18, 2020 (People.com - adam carlson) Reach: 27.1m
President Trump announced Wednesday morning that his administration had agreed with the Canadian government to close the countries' mutual border to most people — except trade — because of the novel coronavirus pandemic. Citing sources, the CBC reported on Tuesday night that the still-evolving agreement "would close the border to tourists and shoppers while still allowing Canadians to return home. The final deal is expected to allow some commercial traffic to continue to keep critical supply chains intact."

[B.2] Update: Canada Restricts Travel To The U.S In New Coronavirus Travel Ban

March 18, 2020 (Forbes - Sandra MacGregor) Reach: 66.8m
Canada's Prime Minister Justin Trudeau announced at a press conference Wednesday that the Canada-U.S. border will now be closed to all non-essential travel. Just two days ago on March 16, 2020, Trudeau stated that U.S. citizens would not be barred from crossing the border (the longest in the world shared by two countries) into Canada, stating the importance of keeping trade flowing freely.

[B.3] US-Canada border to close for nonessential travel to slow coronavirus spread, Trump says

March 18, 2020 (The Arizona Republic - Curtis Tate) Reach: 4.1m
The border between Canada and the U.S. will close for nonessential travel. President Trump confirmed the news in a tweet on Wednesday morning. "We will be, by mutual consent, temporarily closing our Northern Border with Canada to non-essential traffic. Trade will not be affected. Details to follow!" Trump tweeted.

[B.4] Trump Confirms He Is Shutting Off Southern Border To Illegal Aliens And Asylum Seekers

March 18, 2020 (The Daily Caller - Jason Hopkins) Reach: 3.4m

President Trump confirmed reports that his administration will turn away illegal aliens and asylum seekers at the U.S.-Mexico border. President Trump confirmed speculation that the southern border will be closed off to asylum seekers and anyone else who attempts to enter the United States illegally during a White House press briefing Wednesday regarding the latest developments on the coronavirus pandemic.

[B.5] Coronavirus: Trump to Suspend Migrant Entry at Southern, Northern Borders

March 18, 2020 (Breitbart - John Binder) Reach: 5.9m

President Trump confirmed on Wednesday that migrants arriving at the United States-Mexico border will be turned back to Mexico to stave off additional coronavirus outbreaks. During a White House press briefing, President Trump said he would be invoking 42 U.S. Code § 265, which allows the federal government to suspend entry of foreign nationals over risks of spreading a communicable disease.

[B.6] Mexican Cartel Smugglers Abandon Injured Teen in U.S. Border River

March 18, 2020 (Breitbart - Bob Price) Reach: 5.9m

Del Rio Sector Border Patrol agents rescued an injured 15-year-old girl who Mexican cartel-connected human smugglers abandoned in the middle of the Rio Grande. Eagle Pass Station agents assigned to Marine Unit duties on March 11 came upon an injured girl abandoned in the Rio Grande. The agents rescued the teen and moved her to waiting emergency medical personnel, according to Del Rio Sector officials.

[B.7] Migrant Rescued in Arizona Desert After Being Abandoned Without Food, Water

March 18, 2020 (Breitbart - Bob Price) Reach: 5.9m

Yuma Sector Border Patrol agents and an Air and Marine Operations aircrew teamed up to rescue a migrant who became lost after being abandoned by human smugglers without food or water.

[B.8] Fugitive Charged with Child Molestation Arrested at Texas Border

March 18, 2020 (Breitbart - Bob Price) Reach: 5.9m

Laredo Sector CBP officers arrested a U.S. citizen wanted in Dallas, Texas, for indecent sexual contact with a child as he attempted to re-enter the United States from Mexico. CBP officers assigned to the Juarez-Lincoln International Bridge observed a commercial bus approaching for inspection. During the initial immigration interviews, the officers referred a 72-year-old U.S. citizen from Dallas to a secondary inspection area.

Border Security (Ports of Entry)

[C.1] New Record Meth Seizure Found at Arizona Border Crossing

March 18, 2020 (Breitbart - Bob Price) Reach: 5.9m

Tucson Sector Customs and Border Protection officers crossed a sector record with the seizure of nearly 700 pounds of methamphetamine at an Arizona port of entry last week. Officers assigned to the Mariposa Cargo Facility searched a tractor-trailer after a K-9 detection team alerted to an odor, according to information obtained from Tucson Sector CBP officials. The search led to the discovery of false floor compartments in the trailer that had been loaded with tomatoes and bell peppers.

[C.2] 6.3M Noncitizens Entered U.S. at Northern Border Before Canada's National Lockdown

March 18, 2020 (Breitbart - John Binder) Reach: 5.9m

Nearly 6.3 million noncitizens were granted admission to the United States in the last two and a half months by air, land, and sea at ports of entry along the northern border before Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau issued a national lockdown.

Travel

[E.1] Global Entry enrollment temporarily suspended due to coronavirus

March 18, 2020 (The Points Guy - Zach Wichter) Reach: 6.5m

CBP, the agency that oversees the Global Entry, NEXUS and SENTRI trusted traveler programs, announced Wednesday that enrollment in all three would be suspended beginning Thursday, March 19, through at least May 1.

[E.2] CBP temporarily shuts down 'Trusted Traveler' enrollment centers citing coronavirus concerns

March 18, 2020 (The Washington Post - Lori Aratani) Reach: 60.2m

CBP announced Wednesday that it is temporarily shuttering centers that serve travelers enrolling in "Trusted Traveler" programs, including Global Entry, NEXUS, SENTRI and FAST starting Thursday. Agency officials said the nationwide closures are a precautionary measure designed to slow the spread of the novel coronavirus by minimizing contact between CBP personnel and the public. The centers will remain closed until at least May 1.

[E.3] TSA to accept some expired licenses as ID at airport security checkpoints

March 18, 2020 (USA Today - Melissa Yeager) Reach: 58.2m

If your driver's license is expired, don't worry about getting through airport security checkpoints. The Transportation Security Administration is now allowing a grace period for those who haven't been able to get their licenses renewed amid the coronavirus pandemic as people work on social distancing, reports The Arizona Republic, which is part of the USA TODAY Network.

[E.4] Wyden will introduce bill to postpone Real ID requirement until 2021, cites coronavirus

March 18, 2020 (OregonLive - Andrew Theen) Reach: 4.2m

U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden said Wednesday he will introduce legislation to delay federal Real ID requirements "until at least" September 2021, citing the ongoing coronavirus public health crisis. In a statement, Oregon's senior senator, a Democrat from Portland, said he had rallied support from Sen. Ron Johnson, R-Wisc., and Sen. Steve Daines, R-Mont., in addition to Sen. Gary Peters, D-Mich.

Trade

[F.1] Chinese factories face new threat: US anti-virus controls

March 18, 2020 (Associated Press) Reach: 15.1m

Factories in China, struggling to reopen after the coronavirus shut down the economy, face a new threat from U.S. anti-disease controls that might disrupt the flow of microchips and other components they need. The shock threatens to set back the ruling Communist Party's efforts to revive the world's second-largest economy after it declared victory over the outbreak. It would add to pressures on global business activity as Western countries close workplaces, limit travel and tell consumers to stay home.

[F.2] Despite Widespread Crisis, Trump Resists Calls for Tariff Relief

March 18, 2020 (The Washington Post - Jenny Leonard) Reach: 60.2m

Hardly a day goes by without business groups calling on the White House to suspend tariffs on Chinese goods in an effort to help them stem the growing challenges faced by the coronavirus outbreak. On Wednesday morning, Americans for Free Trade, a group of more than 160 business associations urged Trump to consider relief from duties as one of the emergency measures his administration is rolling out. Hours later, the president publicly slashed those hopes.

[F.3] Unlike With Europe, U.S.-Canada Travel Restrictions Won't Affect Trade

March 19, 2020 (Forbes - Ken Roberts) Reach: 66.8m

The coronavirus-related travel restrictions announced Wednesday between Canada and the United States should have little impact on trade, due to the nature of those exports and imports. The trade community, and the U.S. businesses and consumers who depend on that trade, took their big lump last week with President Trump's surprise announcement limiting travel to most of Europe.

Opinion

[I.1] Shut down the U.S.-Mexico border now over coronavirus. But also do these things

March 18, 2020 (The Arizona Republic - Elvia Díaz) Reach: 4.1m

In this opinion piece, Elvia Díaz wrote that closing borders to slow the spread of the coronavirus is "not only sensible but essential. Canada has done it. We should, too."

[I.2] The coronavirus is a real crisis. The border fence obviously wasn't.

March 18, 2020 (The Washington Post - Elizabeth Goitein) Reach: 60.2m

In this opinion piece, Elizabeth Goitein wrote that President Trump has declared two significant national emergencies since he took office. The first was a "faux emergency" to build a wall on our border with Mexico and the second was a "delayed response to a real emergency: the coronavirus pandemic." She wrote that the "differences between the two can tell us a great deal about our system for emergency powers — and why it must be changed."

Immigration

[J.1] ICE Reduces Arrests of Illegal Aliens amid Wuhan Fears

March 19, 2020 (Breitbart - Neil Munro) Reach: 5.9m

[Audio] The nation's immigration enforcement agency is reducing its arrests of illegal migrants amid growing fears of a coronavirus outbreak in federal detention centers. "ICE Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) will focus enforcement on public safety risks and individuals subject to mandatory detention based on criminal grounds," said a press statement issued on March 18.

[J.2] ICE will curtail immigration enforcement, focus on criminals to help limit spread of coronavirus

March 18, 2020 (Miami Herald - Monique O. Madan) Reach: 8.7m

U.S. immigration officials said Wednesday they will temporarily be using more "discretion" when it comes to the arrests of non-criminal undocumented immigrants in an attempt to help stem the spread of the coronavirus. In a statement issued Wednesday, ICE announced it would instead focus on criminal investigations.

[J.3] ICE pausing most immigration enforcement during coronavirus crisis

March 18, 2020 (The Hill - Rebecca Klar) Reach: 24.2m

Immigration authorities will halt most enforcement across the U.S., shifting efforts to deport only foreign nationals who have committed crimes or pose a threat to public safety, ICE said Wednesday. The agency said it will "temporarily adjust" its enforcements beginning Wednesday.

[J.4] ICE will halt immigration enforcement amid coronavirus outbreak, shifting its focus to illegal migrants who pose a 'public safety threat'

March 19, 2020 (Daily Mail Online - Tauren Dyson) Reach: 79.7m

ICE said on Wednesday it will delay the majority of its arrests of illegal immigrants as a result of the corona pandemic. The agency says it will focus its attention and resources on capturing those who may be a public safety risk or who have committed serious criminal acts. According to a statement from the agency, it has adopted the temporary policy to 'ensure the welfare and safety of the general public as well as officers and agents.'

[J.5] Mexican migrant shelters brace for coronavirus amid border uncertainty

March 18, 2020 (Reuters) Reach: 25.5m

Mexican authorities and migrant shelters along the U.S. border are racing to respond to the coronavirus as fears mount that they will be overwhelmed by an intensification of the Trump administration's hardline immigration policies.

[J.6] Immigration Grinds To A Halt As President Trump Shuts Borders

March 18, 2020 (National Public Radio - Joel Rose) Reach: 36.6m

President Trump plans to seal off the U.S-Mexico border to migrants under a law intended to protect the country from communicable disease — a move that comes as the U.S. immigration system grinds to a halt in response to the growing coronavirus pandemic. At a press conference Wednesday, Trump said the southern border would not close completely. But the move would allow the administration to quickly deport asylum-seekers and other migrants who cross the U.S.-Mexico border illegally without due process.

[J.7] 12 changes to the US immigration system during the coronavirus pandemic

March 18, 2020 (CNN.com International - Priscilla Alvarez) Reach: 30.3m

As the United States responds to the coronavirus pandemic, the Trump administration has made sweeping changes to the country's immigration apparatus, altering daily operations and disrupting the lives of thousands. In a little over a week, there have been a dozen changes, ranging from postponing immigration hearings to pausing deportation flights to certain countries and suspending refugee admissions. The tweaks to the system are being made incrementally, though rapidly, as the pandemic spreads across the country.

[J.8] Coronavirus is turning an overloaded immigration system into a 'tinderbox'

March 18, 2020 (Los Angeles Times - Andrea Castillo) Reach: 28.4m

Across the nation, immigration judges, attorneys and immigrant-rights advocates, as well as some federal immigration workers, are calling on the federal government to take aggressive steps to slow the spread of the virus and its effect on an already overloaded and backlogged immigration system. On Wednesday, two dozen Democratic senators sent a letter to the acting chiefs of DHS, ICE and CBP asking about their coronavirus response.

[J.9] The US wants to turn back migrants at the US-Mexico border over fears of spreading coronavirus through detention facilities and Border Patrol agents

March 18, 2020 (Business Insider - Michelle Mark) Reach: 67.1m

The Trump administration is reportedly trying to turn back all migrants approaching the US-Mexico border amid the coronavirus pandemic, citing fears that they could trigger an outbreak throughout US detention facilities. The New York Times reported Tuesday that Border Patrol agents this week could begin immediately turning back anyone who tries to illegally cross the southern border without detaining them.

[J.10] 9 US immigration courts — 2 in Manhattan — close over coronavirus

March 18, 2020 (New York Post - Priscilla DeGregory) Reach: 44.6m

Nine U.S. immigration courts around the country, including two in Manhattan, have closed in a bid to slow the spread of coronavirus, officials announced late Tuesday. All immigration cases involving non-detainees will be postponed beginning Wednesday and continuing through April 10, the DOJ's Executive Office for Immigration Review said.

[J.11] Immigration system closes some courthouses – but not Miami's

March 18, 2020 (Miami Herald - Monique O. Madan) Reach: 8.7m

Federal officials have decided to close several immigration courthouses around the country – but not Miami's, the Executive Office for Immigration Review announced in a midnight tweet.

[J.12] U.S. immigration courts shut after outcry over coronavirus fears

March 18, 2020 (Reuters) Reach: 25.5m

The U.S. government canceled all deportation hearings for immigrants not in detention after immigration judges and government prosecutors complained busy courts were putting them at risk of COVID-19 infection.

[J.13] Trump administration 'to send all asylum seekers to Mexico' citing coronavirus fears

March 18, 2020 (The Independent - Gino Spocchia) Reach: 42.6m

Officials in President Trump's administration have been briefed on plans to block all asylum seekers and foreigners from entering the United States as a response to the coronavirus epidemic. The measures will see all persons bar American citizens on the southwestern border with Mexico turned back.

[J.14] Turning Asylum Seekers Away In Response To Coronavirus Outbreak 'Will Endanger More Lives,' Rights Groups Warn

March 18, 2020 (Newsweek - Chantal Silva) Reach: 23.2m

The Trump administration's reported plans to clamp down at the U.S.-Mexico border and start turning away asylum seekers and migrants who try to cross into the U.S. has sparked fears among immigration advocacy groups that more lives could be put in danger.

DHS

[K.1] US immigration authorities were unprepared to contain a cross-border pandemic

March 18, 2020 (Quartz) Reach: 10.9m

DHS, which enforces the country's immigration laws, among other things, was unprepared to contain the spread of diseases across the U.S. border or among the migrants it has detained, according to its own internal watchdog and the CDC.

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(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

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(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) JACKSTA, LINDA L
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) FORET, VERNON T
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Subject: Re: Notes from the 1600 COVID TF Meeting

Great summary!

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On Mar 1, 2020, at 5:53 PM, PEREZ, ROBERT E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Got it EAC - thanks.

REP

Robert E. Perez
Deputy Commissioner
U.S. Customs & Border Protection

On Mar 1, 2020, at 4:55 PM, FERRARA, WILLIAM
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Sirs,

The notes from today's call are below under each of the topics. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

WHITE HOUSE CORONAVIRUS TASK FORCE AGENDA
March 1, 2020
4:00pm EST

I. **Opening Remarks** – Vice President Pence

POTUS was pleased with the actions taken yesterday with respect to travel alert levels and proclamation.

Ambassador Debra Burkes will be the VPOTUS number 2 on COVID.

1600 in person TF call meeting.

There will be a VP and POTUS press briefing tomorrow at 1700

Supplemental- House vote Wednesday. VPOTUS will be on the hill on Tuesday on the Senate side both Republican and Democrats

II. **Coronavirus New Cases**

Update – HHS Secretary Alex Azar & Bob Redfield, Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Santa Clara, CA and King County, WA want to move to mitigation (2B in the pandemic plan) These cases are not linked which meets the CDC trigger for a community mitigation plan.

The Task Force recommends CDC to support both the states of CA and WA and respective counties.

VPOTUS approved and CDC will move out. POTUS will be updated after the call.

CDC has teams in place in both states and will now provide technical assistance.

Epidemic- Continued world wide spread

Domestically- The focus is currently on CA and WA and these clusters. 7 cases in WA and 3 in CA expected to increase quickly

27 US cases with COVID that were not repatriated cases.

6 at home 9 hospital 11 recovered 1 dead

III. Week in Review – Marc Short, Chief of Staff to the Vice President

Monday the VP and POTUS will be meeting with pharmaceutical CEOs

Monday or Tuesday. Bipartisan group will come to the WH to show solidarity. This is not a time for bipartisanship. This was initiated by the Democrats

Wednesday Meeting with all Airline CEOs

Thursday VP visit to 3M

Friday VP visit to Atlanta CDC

IV. Screening Update – Mr. Stephen Biegun, Deputy Secretary, Department of State

Travel warnings went up (as we know)

Italians want to start outbound medical screening

South Koreans will do whatever type of screening we want

Delta and American have taken down flights from Milan

4 US Carriers are all doing screening in Korea. Worrying about the legal basis. The South Korean President will be providing the legal cover. Airline employees are taking temperatures of passengers as the board the aircraft.

V. **CDC Laboratory in Atlanta –** Dr. Stephen Hahn, Commissioner for the Food and Drug Administration

75-100k COVID test available this weekend. Will have 1.5m tests available next week and 5m in two weeks.

VI. **Supply Chain Update –** Dr. Robert Kadlec, Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, Department of Health and Human Services

3M can produce 35 million masks a month in the US.

There are 20 drugs that are manufactured in China that the US are completely dependent.

VII. **Federal Workforce Guidance Update –** Matt Pottinger, Deputy National Security Advisor to the President

The VPOTUS pushed this topic for tomorrow.

VIII. **Concluding Remarks –** Vice President Pence

William A Ferrara
Executive Assistant Commissioner
Operations Support
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Message

From: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Sent: 3/8/2020 2:23:20 AM

To: Owen, Todd C (EAC OFO) (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

CC: FERRARA, WILLIAM (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) PEREZ, ROBERT E
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Subject: Re: URGENT Request to Clear (b)(6) to Board Royal Air Maroc AT200 on Sunday, March 8

Great.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 7, 2020, at 6:51 PM, Owen, Todd C (EAC OFO) (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Sir,

she was a broken travel showing she flew into Wuhan on Dec 28, 2019 with unknown departure. Until now we were unable to confirm she was outside of the US within 14 days. Based on the information provided, she is currently cleared to travel on her current reservation tomorrow at 10:15 est she will be on the watch report for facilitation and we will confirm her on board.

Todd C. Owen
Executive Assistant Commissioner
Office of Field Operations
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

On Mar 7, 2020, at 5:39 PM, MORGAN, MARK A
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Thanks. Please know - I'm not asking for any exception to our current protocols. Just verifying we didn't accidentally deny when they shouldn't have been.

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On Mar 7, 2020, at 5:31 PM, Owen, Todd C (EAC OFO)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Sir,

(b)(7)(E) Will advise.

Todd C. Owen
Executive Assistant Commissioner
Office of Field Operations
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

On Mar 7, 2020, at 5:06 PM, MORGAN, MARK A
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Please advise.

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(b)(6)
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To: "MORGAN, MARK A"
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Fwd: URGENT Request to Clear (b)(6) **to Board Royal Air Maroc AT200 on Sunday, March 8**

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of DHS. DO NOT click links or open attachments unless you recognize and/or trust the sender. Contact the CBP Security Operations Center with questions or concerns.

Director Morgan:

Please see below. I need your assistance to see that JFK CBP permits (b)(6) below to board a flight tomorrow so that she can begin her employment at (b)(6). She has demonstrably not been in China for more than 14 days. She is not a health risk.

Sincerely,
(b)(6)

Begin forwarded message:

From: (b)(6)

(b)(6)

Subject: URGENT Request to Clear (b)(6) **to Board Royal Air Maroc AT200 on Sunday, March 8**

Date: March 7, 2020 at 6:58:12 PM GMT+1

To:

(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

(b)(7)(E)

Cc:

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

RCLG JFK:

I am a lawyer traveling in Casablanca on behalf of a client. I encountered (b)(6) (b)(6) who is a recent master's of

(b)(6)

being denied a boarding pass for Royal Air Maroc Flight AT200 to JFK today, March 7. She was provided no explanation for the refusal except that it came from CBP nor instructions on how to overcome it. She holds a valid EAD for her OPT.

Please be advised that (b)(6) excepts her in the US shortly to be employed as a

(b)(6)

Program within its

(b)(6)

(b)(6) Her original start date was Feb. 24 and now it is March 16. Proof of her (b)(6) offer is attached.

To be eligible to be admitted to the US, (b)(6) departed China on Feb. 20 and arrived to Dubai on Feb. 20 where she remained until March 6 when she arrived to Casablanca to depart

for the US. On March 6 and March 7, Royal Air Maroc refused to issued her a boarding pass because fo a CBP hold on her name.

(b)(6) has been outside of China in excess of 14 days. By Presidential Proclamation, she is admissible to the US. Clear and convincing proof of her physical presence in Dubai and Morocco continuously for more than 14 days is attached.

Your assistance in clearing (b)(6) to depart on Royal Air Maroc Flight AT200 tomorrow, March 8, is requested. A copy of her reservation for tomorrow's. Flight is attached. Please ensure that this request is given careful consideration. Copie d on this email is (b)(6) (b)(6) her Program Directors at (b)(6) her employer at (b)(6) (b)(6) and Royal Air Maroc US.

(b)(6) is a 23 year old single woman who has met all the conditions of her nonimmigrant stay and she is now by herself stranded and isolated in a foreign country where she

does not speak the language to comply with the need to be outside of China for 14 days. Again, the proof that she has been outside of China for more than 14 days is clear and convincing. She merits your immediate help.

You can reach me at (b)(6) (b)(6) Thanks.

Sincerely,
(b)(6)

(b)(6) Documents (Proof of 14 Days Presence Outside of China, Passport and Visa, and UBS Offer Letter and Email).pdf>
<Royal Air Maroc Ticket AT200 for (b)(6) for Mar 8 to JFK.pdf>

Message

From: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: 3/21/2020 2:57:43 AM
To: PEREZ, ROBERT E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
CC: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Re: Request for Clearance - Principals Statements Title 42 USC 265

10-4, Sir.

Debbie Seguin
(A) Chief of Staff, CBP
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

From: PEREZ, ROBERT E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
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Debbie - just spoke to Casey at length about these, and asked her to not put out and rewrite all for our review in the AM.

Will touch base with you in the morning - thanks.

REP

Robert E. Perez
Deputy Commissioner
U.S. Customs & Border Protection

On Mar 20, 2020, at 10:12 PM, SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

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From: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2020 4:42:50 PM
To: DURST, CASEY OWEN (b)(6)(b)(7)(C); OC Chief of Staff (b)(7)(E)
(b)(7)(E)
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Minor edit:

STATEMENTS

Proposed Acting Commissioner Statement:
U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is steadfastly committed to protecting our national and economic security which COVID-19 is threatening. As a result, CBP is assisting HHS to implement its authorities along our southern and northern land borders to prohibit the entry of certain individuals who potentially pose a health risk, either by virtue of being subject to previously announced travel restrictions or because they unlawfully entered the country. CBP officers will continue to process legitimate cargo, as there has been no identified threat as it relates to cargo shipments. CBP will continue to coordinate with the Governments of Mexico and Canada to control the flow of travelers who approach the U.S. border and to streamline the expulsion of travelers deemed a health risk. This large-scale containment event is totally unprecedented. However, the health and safety of the American people is of paramount importance, and CBP's officers and agents remain vigilant in safeguarding our Nation against this threat.

Proposed EAC Owen Statement:
"Based on the President's determination, as part of CBP's continued effort to combat the spread of COVID-19 via travel across our borders, we are assisting HHS in implementing their authority in accordance with Title 42 of the United States Code 265 and existing Title 8 authority to prohibit the entry of certain persons into the United States. Effective March 20, all northern and southern border land POEs will prohibit entry to the United States for all individuals who are deemed to pose a health risk except U.S. citizens, lawful permanent residents and certain other travelers.

During this restriction, CBP will continue to facilitate legitimate trade and cargo while ensuring the safety of our employees and the American public."

Proposed Chief Scott Statement
"The United States Border Patrol is doing our part to assist HHS to limit the further introduction of COVID-19 by expelling certain individuals who enter the United States illegally as quickly as possible. We will help mitigate the threat posed by COVID-19 while continuing our important border security operations."

Proposed Trade Statement
CBP continues to process cargo, international mail and express consignment packages. The CDC has not identified any threat as it relates to these shipments. Currently all CBP ports of entry are following the same operational guidance as issued by recent Presidential Proclamations and the Department of Homeland Security.

(b)(5)

SOCIAL MEDIA

@CBP Tweet:
"In order to safeguard against COVD-19, effective March 21 at 12:00 am ET, foreign travel into the US will be prohibited & port ops will be intermittently suspended at all ports of entry as needed under the HHS authority of Title 42 USC 265. The travel restrictions do not apply to US citizens, LPRs & certain other travelers."

"CBP is suspending all intake of inadmissible individuals at our land border ports of entry. CBP will continue to coordinate with the Governments of Mexico and Canada to control the flow of travelers who approach the U.S. border and to streamline the expulsion of inadmissible individuals."

@CBPMarkMorgan Retweet with Comment of @CBP Tweet:
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Importance: High

For clearance:

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The one you read is under Social Media.

Debbie Seguin
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To: SCOTT, RODNEY S (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Fwd: CBP Daily News Brief: Mar. 20, 2020

Let's discuss what (b)(5) In person.

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From: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Date: March 20, 2020 at 6:52:30 AM EDT
Subject: CBP Daily News Brief: Mar. 20, 2020

March 20, 2020

Executive Summary

CBS News reported that two administration officials said President Trump is expected to announce today that he plans to temporarily close the U.S.-Mexico border to non-essential travel. The arrangement would be similar to the temporary closure of the Canadian border, with exemptions for trade and essential personnel. Mexico has relatively few confirmed coronavirus cases, compared with

the United States' at least 9,415 confirmed cases, according to Johns Hopkins data. Mexico had been considering closing the border with the U.S. to keep infected foreign nationals out of its country.

Meanwhile, Breitbart reported that Rio Grande Valley Sector Border Patrol officials have announced the opening of an Emergency Operations Center in response to the COVID-19 coronavirus public health crisis. The center will help officials coordinate with local, state and other federal agencies. Due to the sensitive nature of information in the EOC, the center will not be open to the public or to news media. Officials did not disclose the location of the EOC. In a written statement, officials said, "Our team is working with first responders and public health departments to ensure the protection of those tasked with mitigation and response efforts."

In other news, the Miami Herald reported that records obtained by the paper indicate that immigration courtroom closures are being decided on a case-by-case basis by the White House. For almost two weeks, immigration judges across the country, as well as prosecutors and immigration lawyers, have banded together to demand that the government close down their courts amid the COVID-19 crisis. Many say they are being kept at work despite having been exposed to the coronavirus at a time when everyone is being told to practice social distancing.

Top News

[A.1] Trump plans to temporarily close southern border to non-essential traffic

March 19, 2020 (CBS News - Fin Gomez) Reach: 28.1m

President Trump is expected to announce Friday that he plans to temporarily close the U.S.-Mexico border to non-essential travel, according to two administration officials. The arrangement would be similar to the temporary closure of the Canadian border, with exemptions for trade and essential personnel. Mr. Trump hadn't ruled out the possibility publicly. When asked about possible border closures, Mr. Trump said earlier this week, "I don't want to say that, but we are discussing things with Canada, and we're discussing things with Mexico."

[A.2] Border Patrol Opens Emergency Operations Center in South Texas for Coronavirus

March 19, 2020 (Breitbart - Bob Price) Reach: 5.9m

[Audio] Rio Grande Valley Sector Border Patrol officials announced the opening of its Emergency Operations Center in response to the COVID-19 coronavirus public health crisis. The center will help officials coordinate with local, state, and other federal agencies. Due to the sensitive nature of information in the EOC, the center will not be open to the public or to news media. Officials did not disclose the location of the EOC.

[A.3] White House itself is choosing which immigration courts get to close amid COVID-19

March 19, 2020 (Miami Herald - Monique O. Madan) Reach: 8.7m

As state and local courtrooms across the country have shuttered their doors, immigration courtroom closures are being decided on a case-by-case basis by the White House itself, according to records obtained by the Miami Herald. For almost two weeks, immigration judges across the country, as well as prosecutors and immigration lawyers, have banded together to demand that the government close

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NEWS INDEX

Border Security (Along U.S. Borders)

[B.1] Trump Administration Wants To Build Migrant Quarantine Facilities On Border

March 19, 2020 (Fronteras Desk - Michel Marizco) Reach: 17.9k

The Trump administration is asking Congress for several hundred million dollars to fund coronavirus quarantine facilities for immigrants in custody at the border. The administration asked for $249 million for nine facilities it wants to build along the border and to upgrade four more that served as holding tents during last year's surge of asylum seekers at the border. In previous years, CBP and ICE faced criticism over treatment of migrants in their custody.

[B.2] Five Migrants Rescued from Swift Texas Border River

March 19, 2020 (Breitbart - Bob Price) Reach: 5.9m

Del Rio Sector Border Patrol agents rescued five migrants from the Rio Grande as they attempted to illegally cross from Mexico into Texas. Eagle Pass Station agents assigned to river duty on March 15 encountered a family of migrants attempting to cross the Rio Grande. The dangerous crossing by the family, including three children, took place not far from the Eagle Pass Port of Entry where they could have legally crossed and applied for entry into the U.S.

Border Security (Ports of Entry)

[C.1] Hundreds of cars flood the US-Mexico border as officials announce the possibility of travel restrictions to curb coronavirus

March 19, 2020 (Daily Mail Online - Valerie Edwards) Reach: 79.7m

Hundreds of cars lined up to cross into the United States at the Mexico-U.S. border on Thursday after officials announced the possibility of restrictions on travel in a bid to curb the coronavirus. Bumper-to-bumper traffic was seen at the San Ysidro border crossing in San Diego, California.

Border Wall

[D.1] Environmental advocates say planned border construction threatens jaguar corridors

March 19, 2020 (Arizona Public Media) Reach: 57.1k
CBP is inviting public comment on new border wall segments across large swaths of wilderness in southern Arizona. Environmental advocates said the construction is another example of reckless border policy with big consequences for wildlife. If the agency's plan moves forward, a 30-foot, bollard style border wall will one day cover nearly 75 miles in Cochise, Santa Cruz and Pima counties.

Travel

[E.1] U.S. and Mexican officials working on closing border to 'non-essential' travel

March 19, 2020 (USA Today - David Oliver) Reach: 58.2m
U.S. and Mexican officials are working on an agreement to ban "non-essential" travel between their border along the same lines of the deal that the U.S. announced this week with Canada, a Trump administration official said. Trade would be exempted. There are 118 coronavirus cases currently in Mexico and 13,159 in the U.S, according to Johns Hopkins data.

[E.2] Details Still Being Worked out on Canada-US Border Closure

March 19, 2020 (The Epoch Times) Reach: 5.5m
Closure of the world's longest undefended border will begin in earnest on March 19 as Canada and the United States work out the details of banning non-essential travel between the two countries. Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and President Trump announced the ban Wednesday, intended to help curtail the rapid spread of COVID-19 without disrupting the flow of essential goods and services on which Canadians and Americans depend.

[E.3] Suspect test kits seized at O'Hare International Airport

March 19, 2020 (Associated Press) Reach: 15.1m
Illegal coronavirus test kits were seized by CBP officers working at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport, authorities announced Thursday. The officers intercepted packages containing the illicit drug kits Thursday after they arrived from the United Kingdom.

[E.4] U.S. aviation industry calls for immediate grants, loans to ensure survival

March 19, 2020 (Reuters) Reach: 25.5m
The leading U.S. airline trade group and dozens of other U.S. aviation industry trade groups on Thursday called for immediate grants, unsecured loans and limited tax measures to ensure the industry's ability to survive the spread of coronavirus. In a letter to Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin and congressional leaders, Airlines for America and the other groups urged the Trump administration and Congress to act as quickly as possible to address the debilitating impact of the pandemic.

[E.5] As Americans return home from abroad, some undergo health screening

March 19, 2020 (The Atlanta Journal-Constitution - Kelly Yamanouchi) Reach: 4.2m
Some international travelers arriving in the United States from Mexico, the Caribbean, Latin America or other areas with coronavirus cases have been surprised they did not undergo health screening upon arrival. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is conducting enhanced health screening of those who have been in Europe, China and Iran in the past 14 days, due to widespread, ongoing transmission. But that enhanced screening does not cover travelers from all areas of the world.

[E.6] LAX coronavirus screenings are haphazard, travelers say. Experts say they're futile

March 19, 2020 (Los Angeles Times - Laura Newberry) Reach: 28.4m
As thousands continue to pour into LAX, many international travelers have complained about haphazard health screenings, being required to stand or sit near others who have returned from countries with known outbreaks of the coronavirus, or not being screened at all. Travelers who were identified as high-risk by the White House but were not screened have taken to social media to decry the process, expressing alarm over the fact that they were so easily able to slip through the cracks amid an extraordinary global health crisis.

[E.7] Expired Licenses Will Now Be Accepted by TSA Amid Coronavirus Pandemic

March 19, 2020 (Travel + Leisure - Alison Fox) Reach: 4.2m
DHS and TSA are implementing new measures to ease travel and protect its workers as coronavirus continues to sweep through the country. The TSA said it would allow people to pass through security using an expired driver's license if the holder is not able to renew right now. The agency said these licenses will be accepted for "a year after the expiration date, plus 60 days after the duration of the COVID-19 national emergency." The rule applies to licenses that have expired after March 1, 2020.

Trade

[F.1] US, Mexico discuss halting much of cross-border travel

March 20, 2020 (Associated Press) Reach: 15.1m
The United States and Mexico are working on plans to halt much of cross-border travel without disrupting trade during the coronavirus outbreak, officials said Thursday. Mexican Foreign Relations Secretary Marcelo Ebrard said he proposed steps to U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo that "won't paralyze economic activity and keep the border open to commerce and work." He promised details on Friday.

[F.2] Mexico foreign minister urges U.S. to keep border open for trade, work

March 20, 2020 (Reuters) Reach: 25.5m

Mexican Foreign Minister Marcelo Ebrard said on Thursday that he held talks with U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo and proposed that the two countries keep their shared border open for commerce and work, even as they seek to combat the coronavirus.

[F.3] Retail trade body urges U.S. government to define an 'essential' retailer

March 19, 2020 (Reuters) Reach: 25.5m

The National Retail Federation urged President Trump on Thursday to come up with national guidance for state and local governments on what constitutes an "essential" retail business as they combat the coronavirus outbreak.

[F.4] 'We will do the opposite!' EU fury at US as Trump continues trade war despite coronavirus

March 19, 2020 (Express.co.uk - Simon Osborne) Reach: 40.3m

Washington insisted it was pressing ahead with its plan to raise import tariffs on European aircraft from 10 percent to 15 percent, sparking outrage in Brussels. The confirmation from the U.S. came just 24 hours after Mr. Trump and other G7 leaders vowed to remain "committed to the stability of the global economy" and pledged to "coordinate measures and do whatever it takes" to safeguard economic growth.

[F.5] China Shipping Exports Rebound, Just as Western Ports Cope With Coronavirus Downturn

March 19, 2020 (The Wall Street Journal - Costas Paris) Reach: 28.3m

Two months after a near complete standstill in China that rattled global supply chains, the country's ports are again pushing out thousands of containers that were stranded at the onset of the coronavirus outbreak. The massive buildup of boxes at docks in China has left a big shortfall in cargo at ports in the U.S. and Europe since early February. As China returns to work, fears are rising that the Western ports won't be able to handle a flood of imports as seaports and coastal cities face their own shutdowns and economic disruption.

[F.6] How Global Supply Chains Can Survive the Coronavirus Pandemic

March 19, 2020 (Markets Insider- Business Insider - Wall Street) Reach: 4.6m

The coronavirus pandemic has touched many parts of the global economy already, has hammered some sectors like travel and leisure, and promises to make things a lot worse before they get better. In a new report on how the pandemic has affected global trade and corporate supply chains, S&P Global Intelligence identified lessons learned since the outbreak began and examines several examples of how companies in different sectors have performed so far.

[F.7] Mnuchin disputes tariffs limited access to medical supplies

March 19, 2020 (Washington Examiner) Reach: 15.7m

Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin disputed claims Thursday that the Trump administration's tariffs on Chinese goods resulted in shortages of medical supplies in the United States, noting that the tariffs had been waived.

[F.8] February Swiss Watch Exports Tank In Hong Kong And China, But Remain Stable In U.S.

March 19, 2020 (Forbes - Carol Besler) Reach: 66.8m

As the coronavirus epidemic sweeps through the world, Swiss watch exports are dropping, with steep declines in some markets. Global exports for the month of February were down 9.2 percent overall. Not surprisingly, they tanked by -42 percent in Hong Kong and -51.5 percent in China.

[F.9] U.S. current account deficit tightens sharply in fourth quarter

March 19, 2020 (Reuters) Reach: 25.5m

The U.S. current account deficit narrowed sharply in the fourth quarter as the Trump's administration's trade war with China led to the biggest reduction in the goods import bill since 2009.

[F.10] How U.S. aluminum recyclers reap dividends from tariffs

March 19, 2020 (Reuters) Reach: 25.5m

North American aluminum recyclers and producers are using import tariffs to boost revenue at the expense of local beer and beverage firms, even though most of the metal used in their cans is not subject to the levy, industry data seen by Reuters show.

[F.11] Trump Scorns Calls for Tariff Relief in Escalating Global Crisis

March 19, 2020 (The Washington Post - Jenny Leonard) Reach: 60.2m

Hardly a day goes by right now without business groups calling on the White House to suspend tariffs on Chinese goods in an effort to help them stem the growing challenges faced by the coronavirus outbreak. On Wednesday morning, Americans for Free Trade, a group of more than 160 business associations, urged Trump to consider relief from duties as one of the emergency measures his administration is rolling out. "These tariffs are taxes that Americans pay," the group said in a letter.

Workforce

[G.1] Ex-Homeland Security investigator accused of impersonating officer

March 19, 2020 (The Atlanta Journal-Constitution - Zachary Hansen) Reach: 4.2m

A former DHS investigator faces felony charges after being accused of lying that he was an active agent to Richmond County deputies.

Opinion

[I.1] Want More Ventilators? Roll Back Trump's Tariffs

March 19, 2020 (Bloomberg - Brooke Sutherland) Reach: 29.7m

In this opinion piece, Brooke Sutherland wrote that demand for manufacturers' products is "cratering as the coronavirus crisis brings the U.S. and European economies to a screeching halt." She asked why, in the middle of this, are tariffs "still in place on many industrial products imported from China?"

[I.2] Canada Is a Lifeline for America Right Now

March 19, 2020 (Barron's - Maryscott Greenwood) Reach: 4.1m

In this opinion piece, Maryscott Greenwood wrote that the decision to close the border between the U.S. and Canada was made mutually, by both governments. She noted that this was "the right thing to do" and that we should be grateful that "good common sense prevailed."

Immigration

[J.1] Judge rejects release of vulnerable immigration detainees

March 19, 2020 (Associated Press) Reach: 15.1m

A federal judge in Seattle on Thursday declined to order the release of immigration detainees who may be especially vulnerable to the new coronavirus because they are old or have underlying health conditions. The ACLU of Washington and the Northwest Immigrant Rights Project sought the release of nine detainees at ICE's Northwest detention center in Tacoma. U.S. District Judge James L. Robart denied their request for a temporary order releasing them while the case proceeds.

[J.2] Calls for Trump administration to release migrants from detention increase amid COVID-19 pandemic

March 20, 2020 (The Texas Tribune) Reach: 1.6m

Advocates are demanding that ICE immediately release immigrant detainees, who they say are frightened to be locked in detention as the coronavirus spreads. More than 750 private entities wrote to ICE Director Matthew T. Albence on Thursday arguing that the agency's track record under the Trump administration does nothing to instill confidence that detainees are being kept in safe environments.

[J.3] Migrants fear getting stuck in Mexico as Trump hints at border restrictions

March 19, 2020 (USA Today - Rafael Carranza) Reach: 58.2m

Migrants and advocates in Mexican border cities criticized President Trump over his intention to turn away certain migrants at the U.S.-Mexico border as part of containment efforts against the new coronavirus. Trump said Wednesday there are no plans to shut down the southern border, but he signaled that other restrictions on migrants and asylum seekers could come any time.

[J.4] U.S. deportation policy putting lives of asylum-seekers at risk

March 19, 2020 (StarTribune.com) Reach: 3.3m

Trump administration officials last year created a policy that allows them to send asylum-seekers to Guatemala to apply for sanctuary there. Guatemala said this week that it would temporarily block the deportation flights in an effort to prevent the spread of the coronavirus. Critics say the deal may be a death sentence for migrants.

[J.5] Trump's policies are putting vulnerable immigrants at risk as coronavirus spreads

March 19, 2020 (Vox - Nicole Narea) Reach: 22.2m

Under pressure from lawmakers and advocates, ICE had initially announced major changes to its enforcement priorities effective Wednesday night for as long as the coronavirus pandemic persists. But DHS Deputy Secretary Ken Cuccinelli walked back the policy change in a tweet on Thursday morning, claiming that the administration's enforcement priorities had not changed.

[J.6] ICE: No Plan to Free Migrants in Jail, but Will Arrest Fewer Due to Pandemic

March 19, 2020 (The Daily Beast - Spencer Ackerman) Reach: 20.4m

ICE has pledged to limit its roundups of undocumented immigrants to those deemed a public-safety threat during the COVID-19 outbreak. But thousands of people in its jails who aren't deemed a public-safety risk will stay locked up, the immigration agency indicated to The Daily Beast. Migrants inside ICE jails and their advocates outside are warning that conditions within the tightly packed lockups represent a coronavirus tinderbox.

[J.7] San Francisco immigration judge begs officials to close her courtroom over coronavirus

March 20, 2020 (Business Insider - Charles Davis) Reach: 67.1m

Saying the Department of Justice has failed to take the minimal steps necessary to protect public health, Judge Dana Leigh Marks, a sitting justice in San Francisco's immigration court, told Business Insider that she is calling on the state of California to demand the immediate closure of her courtroom.

Of Interest

[L.1] U.S. restricts visas for farmworkers, raising concerns about food supply

March 19, 2020 (NBCNEWS.com - Suzy Khimm) Reach: 43.6m

To reduce coronavirus transmission, the federal government has stopped conducting visa interviews for temporary farmworkers from Mexico who want to work in the United States — a move that could disrupt America's supply of fresh fruit and vegetables, industry groups say.

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Perfect.

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On Mar 5, 2020, at 1:59 PM, SCOTT, RODNEY S (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

In an abundance of caution I provide the following:

A Tucson Sector employee (and his family) are exhibiting cold-like symptoms after visiting family in the Kirkland, Washington area. Kirkland has experienced a Corona Virus outbreak. Of additional concern is that a family member was a resident at the Life Care Center where the Corona Virus claimed five lives. AS we understand it, that family member moved out of the life care center several weeks prior to the Corona Virus outbreak and is NOT ill. The employee believes he and his family simply caught a cold from another family member. Based on the timing and location, the Agent contacted a local medical facility for testing against COVID-19. The local facility directed him to a Health Department Epidemiologist, who referred him to the Arizona Centers for Disease Control (AZ-CDC). Per AZ-CDC, the employee and his daughter do not yet meet all the requirements for COVID-19 testing as they lack both a fever and respiratory symptoms. The employee is self-isolating at home and is reporting in twice daily. As of now there is no sign of a fever (one indicator of a virus). Also in an abundance of caution we are back tracking this employees pattern of life to identify any areas or equipment that he came in contact with.

I will keep you posted.

Rodney Scott
Chief
US Border Patrol
US Customs and Border Protection
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Message

From: mark.a.morgan (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
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Thanks! And I appreciate our conversation.

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On Mar 8, 2020, at 6:29 PM, (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Commissioner,

Per our conversation at DFW. It would benefit the officers/employees if management physically hands out the below information or something similar to CBP employees.

WORKFORCE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q: What is the novel coronavirus?
A: Coronaviruses are a family of viruses that can cause respiratory illness in people. Coronaviruses circulate among animals, including camels, cattle, cats, and bats.

A novel coronavirus is a new coronavirus that has not been previously identified. The virus causing coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), is not the same as the coronaviruses that commonly circulate among humans and cause mild illness, like the common cold. Patients with COVID-19 will be evaluated and cared for differently than patients with common coronavirus diagnosis.

Additional information about COVID-19 can be found on the CDC website.

Q: What are the symptoms of the novel coronavirus?
A: According to the CDC reported illnesses have ranged from mild symptoms to severe illness and death for confirmed COVID-19 cases. The following symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure:

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->Fever
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->Cough
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->Shortness of breath

Employees should call their healthcare professional if: (1) they develop symptoms and have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19; or (2) if they have recently traveled from an area with widespread or ongoing community spread of COVID-19. Employees should visit the CDC website for more information.

Q: How dangerous is the novel coronavirus?

A: The immediate health risk from COVID-19 is **LOW** for the general American public and the general CBP workforce. Individual risk depends on exposure, which may vary across the workforce.

Q: How can employees keep themselves and their families safe?
A: The most effective way to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and all diseases similar to influenza are the measures outlined below:

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]--**Get Vaccinated** against influenza. Although COVID-19 is a different type of respiratory illness, the influenza vaccine can still help prevent seasonal influenza, which can avoid potential confusion with COVID-19.

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]--**Avoid ALL Touching** of your eyes, nose and mouth with your hands. The COVID-19 virus can stay viable on hard surfaces such as door knobs, hand rails, bathroom fixtures and faucet handles for up to 12 hours. Touching surfaces that may have been previously touched by individuals in early stages of COVID-19 can result in the indirect spreading from person to person.

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]--**Stay Home** when you are sick and consult your health care provider. If you notice any symptoms of fever, sore throat or trouble breathing and you have been in contact with anyone who has traveled to any region affected by COVID-19 or you are a close contact of some diagnosed with COVID-19, alert your health care provider prior to arrival.

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]--**Cover your Cough or Sneeze** with a tissue or the cuff of your elbow and immediately throw the tissue in the trash. NEVER cover your cough with your hands.

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]--**Clean and Disinfect**. After contact with "high-touch" or shared surfaces (counters, tabletops, doorknobs, bathroom fixtures, toilets, phones,

keyboards, tablets, etc.), wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-

based hand sanitizer with at least 60 - 95% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if hands are visibly dirty. Washing of hands is especially important after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. Any commonly touched surfaces should be cleaned and disinfected with EPA registered disinfectants such as Lysol or Clorox disinfecting wipes and sprays. There is also a CDC Disinfecting and Cleaning page with a list of EPA registered disinfectants.

<!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->**N95 Respirator/Surgical Mask Use** by the general public is not generally being recommended by CDC, the World Health Organization (WHO), the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA), or any public health authorities at this time. CBP leadership is determined to ensure N95 respirators are available to the workforce should the situation change and their use becomes necessary, to include CBP Headquarters staff, mission support personnel, and personnel working in office settings who have traditionally not been provided N95 respirators in the past. Personnel need to understand the difference between a surgical mask (which is primarily for ill passengers/travelers), which will not generally provide the user with adequate protection from exposure and the use of an N95 respirator. The CBP Coronavirus Job Hazard Analysis (JHA) provides detailed guidance for all personnel on when N95 respirators are considered mandatory and when they would be considered "voluntary use." An example of voluntary use would include situations where CBP provides an N95 respirator for administrative and support personnel using mass transit to and from work when the risk level is increased. Such use would fall into "Voluntary Use" and CBP would follow existing "Voluntary Use" protocols. Those protocols involve providing an N95 at CBP expense, providing a short educational video on N95 voluntary use (which can be found on the COVID-19 Resource Page), and providing those personnel a copy of Appendix D of 29 CFR 1910.134 (which is an OSHA requirement for any employer who allows "Voluntary Use"). This could be provided personally by the individual's supervisor or via email, and Appendix D as well as this guidance will be posted on the COVID-19 Resource Page along with the current JHA.

<!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->**Additional Information** on these topics and updated COVID-19 status can be found on the OSH Division COVID-19 Safety and Health Resource Page Here.

Q. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->**What should an employee do if he or she becomes ill or is suspected to have or tested positive for COVID-19?**
A: If a person becomes ill with any of the COVID-19 symptoms (fever, sore throat, difficulty breathing), they should stay home and contact their health care provider right away. Most health care providers are taking precautions to prevent the further spread of disease within the healthcare system. Employees should let their health care provider know if they have traveled to any area affected by COVID-19 or had any contact with confirmed COVID-19 cases. Health care providers will determine the need for further testing/confirmation. Individuals may be designated as a 'Person Under Investigation' and may be referred for further evaluation and confirmatory testing.

Employees should notify their CBP supervisor that they are being evaluated and should follow up after they have been evaluated by a health care provider. If employees are considered to be at risk for COVID-19, are identified as a 'Person Under Investigation', or test positive for COVID-19, they will be placed on OPM weather and safety leave. See OPM guidance on workplace flexibilities for

employees impacted by COVID-19. This information and more can be found on the CBP COVID- 19 Resource Portal.

Q: How long should employees stay home if they are exposed to the coronavirus?
A: If an employee has been potentially exposed to someone who is at a high risk of having or who is suspected of having COVID-19, the employee may be asked to remain at home and may be asked to self-observe, self-monitor or self-quarantine for up to 14 days, or longer in specific circumstances, before returning to work. Employees should always consult their healthcare provider and notify their supervisor for more specific guidance.

Q: What measures is CBP taking to ensure the health and safety of employees?
A: CBP has national pandemic plans and continuity of operations plans in place and a comprehensive Job Hazard Analysis (JHA) has been conducted based on risk. We have appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) N95 at all ports, stations, air branches and every place we operate around the globe. CBP has also set aside funding to procure additional PPE if needed. CBP has HRM Safety and Occupational Health Specialist located in every Field Office and Sector to assist operational components complete the mission of CBP while ensuring that our employees remain safe.

Q: An employee at my office tested positive for coronavirus. Will CBP close my office?
A: Such decisions will be made on a case-by-case basis, depending upon specific circumstances and based on consultation and guidance from appropriate authorities. Some facilities may be closed out of an abundance of caution. Employees should contact their direct supervisor for further instruction. If a supervisor is aware that someone in their facility has tested positive for the coronavirus, they should contact the nearest CDC office and notify CBP COVID-19 EOC. The CDC's state and local Quarantine Officer at the Division of Global Migration and Quarantine will work to identify which facilities, if any, need to be closed. The CDC will work with CBP if they have identified a facility for closure.

Q: Will employees be expected to work if their office is closed?
A: If a facility is closed, program offices are encouraged to use telework to the extent that doing so is appropriate. The CBP Telework Policy guidance is as follows:

a. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->An employee who participates in the telework program would generally be expected to perform telework at home as long as the employee is asymptomatic. (See 5 CFR 630.1605.) If a telework program participant in these circumstances needs time off for personal reasons, then the employee would be expected to take other personal leave or paid time off (e.g., annual leave or sick leave to care for a family member).
b. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->A telework-ready* employee who is quarantined at a location other than the employee's home is not eligible to telework because the quarantine location is likely not an approved work location for the employee. This employee should receive weather and safety leave as long as the employee is asymptomatic.
c. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->A telework-ready employee who is restricted from the workplace because of the potential to infect others would generally be expected to perform telework at home as long as the employee is asymptomatic.

d. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->An employee who is not a telework program participant would be granted weather or safety leave for quarantine periods based on potential exposure and an inability to perform work at an approved location. Telework is not an option.
e. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->There is currently no provision within the CBP Telework Policy, or applicable Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), which would allow or require an employee without a telework agreement to work while quarantined or restricted from the workplace for safety reasons.

* Telework-ready is defined as an employee who has a current approved telework agreement, and is equipped with the appropriate secure and approved technology equipment, and has an approved telework agreement to work from an alternate worksite location. If an employee has a telework agreement but does not have the necessary equipment, (e.g., lap top at their telework location), then they are not telework ready.

Q: What code should I use in WebTA to report absence due to coronavirus?

A: Employees would enter their leave category (annual, sick, or other type of leave) normally in WebTA utilizing their designated APC and CMIS code and entering the project code 4VR to link the use of leave to the coronavirus project code.

Q: Will workers' compensation be available to employees who contract coronavirus during the course of their duties?

A: Employees have the right to file a workers' compensation claim for illnesses that have been diagnosed as the direct result of performing work duties. If an employee believes they have been exposed to people potentially infected with the novel coronavirus, such as travelers who may have contracted the disease while on travel, they should contact their local Safety and Workers' Compensation Offices for further assistance and take the following steps:

1. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->Notify your supervisor.
2. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->Supervisor files an incident report (CBP Form 502) in CBP eCOMP.
3. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->Next, contact your local workers' compensation point of contact (Injury Compensation Coordinator) to guide you on the process to file a workers' compensation claim and which form to use. (Note: Filing a claim is an employee driven action and you must elect to file a claim CA-1 or CA-2).
4. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->Choose which type of claim to file.
   a. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->CA-1 - claim of traumatic injury (exposure on a specific date, time and location, within one 8-hour shift); or
   b. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->CA-2 - claim of occupational disease (exposure over time or multiple exposures on more than one date, time and location).
5. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->Choose whether you want to seek medical attention.

Supervisors or Managers must complete their portion of the CA-1 or CA-2 in CBP eCOMP as soon as possible, but no later than 24 hours after the employee completes their portion of the claim.

Supervisor completion of their portion of the claim sends an alert to Managed Care Advisors (MCA), who will assign a nurse case manager. For potential coronavirus exposure, the nurse case manager will contact the employee and ask the following questions of the employee.

1. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->Did you file a form CA-1 or CA-2?
2. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->Are you ill/ have you sought medical attention?
3. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->Has the Public Health Service contacted you as part of an investigation or are you classified as a "Person Under Investigation"?
4. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->What, if any, Personal Protective Equipment were you wearing during the potential exposure event?
5. <!--[if !supportLists]--><![endif]-->Did you get a flu vaccination this year?

For specific Department of Labor (DOL) information on COVID-19, please visit:
https://www.dol.gov/owcp/dfec/InfoFECACoverageCoronavirus.htm

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Thanks all.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 14, 2020, at 6:43 PM, (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Chief,

I contacted (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) and he said he will get clearance for retweet on his side. They are working today, so hopefully we can get it moving. His last email was at 1725 hrs. I will circle back with in a couple hours if we do not see something come up.

The intent is that if they retweet versus originating, it will pull our viewership up.

Please advise if you need a different course of action.

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(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(A) Deputy Assistant Commissioner
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On Mar 14, 2020, at 6:38 PM, SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Casey, (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Can you please provide us with the next steps in terms of WH/POTUS?

Thank you

Debbie Seguin
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CoS,

FYI.

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Subject: Live: Media Release and Tweets for Fake COVID-19 Test Kits

Ms. Seguin

The Media Release and the Tweets on the "Fake COVID-19" test kits. Links and screenshots are below. Media Release has been sent to our beat reporters as well. Information will be posted to Facebook and Instagram as well.

@OFOEAC: https://twitter.com/OFOEAC/status/1238924547795161088

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@CBPMarkMorgan:
https://twitter.com/CBPMarkMorgan/status/1238926039591550977

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https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/national-media-release/cbp-officers-seize-fake-covid-19-test-kits-lax

CBP Officers Seize Fake COVID-19 Test Kits at LAX

Suspected Counterfeit Test Kits Mislabeled as "Purified Water Vials"

***Note: Photos are available at https://www.cbp.gov/node/357066 or @CBP on Twitter.*

LOS ANGELES - U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers assigned to Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), International Mail Facility (IMF), intercepted a package containing suspected counterfeit COVID-19 test kits arriving from the United Kingdom.

On March 12, 2020, CBP officers discovered six plastic bags containing various vials, while conducting an enforcement examination of a parcel manifested as "Purified Water Vials" with a declared value of $196.81. A complete examination of the shipment, led to the finding of vials filled with a white liquid and labeled "Corona Virus 2019nconv (COVID-19)" and "Virus1 Test Kit". The shipment was turned over to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for analysis.

"Protecting the health and safety of the American people is a top priority for CBP," said Carlos C. Martel, CBP Director of Field Operations in Los Angeles. "This significant interception, at a time when the U.S. is in the midst of a National Emergency, demonstrates our CBP officers' vigilance and commitment to ensure dangerous goods are intercepted and not a threat to our communities and our people."

Authorized diagnostic testing for COVID-19 is conducted in verified state and local public health laboratories across the United States. The American public should be aware of bogus home testing kits for sale either online or in informal direct to consumer settings.

"CBP commits substantial resources to detect, intercept and seize illicit goods arriving in the air package environment," said LaFonda Sutton-Burke, CBP Port Director at LAX. "Smugglers are constantly attempting to take advantage of consumers by disguising their illicit goods as legitimate shipments."

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Message

From: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
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Sent: 3/21/2020 2:12:19 AM

To: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) PEREZ, ROBERT E

Subject: Fwd: Request for Clearance - Principals Statements Title 42 USC 265

Found the string of tweets that came in. Apologies for the oversight.

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From: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2020 4:42:50 PM
To: DURST, CASEY OWEN (b)(6)(b)(7)(C); OC Chief of Staff (b)(7)(E)
Cc: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Re: Request for Clearance - Principals Statements Title 42 USC 265

Clear. But this needs to be timed, correct? (b)(5)

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Cell: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

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Subject: RE: Request for Clearance - Principals Statements Title 42 USC 265

Minor edit:

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SOCIAL MEDIA

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Subject: Request for Clearance - Principals Statements Title 42 USC 265
Importance: High

For clearance:

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Sent: 3/19/2020 9:36:50 PM
To: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
CC: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Counterfeit COVID Test Kits and Cleaning Supplies
Attachments: 19 March 2020 Border Intelligence Daily.pdf; NMWTX FIG FIR March18.pdf

Debbie, FYI on false COVID testing kits and counterfeit chemicals being shipped to U.S.

BLUF: CBP is seeing an increase in false COVID testing kits being shipped to New York and Lot Angeles. Also, on the SWLB they are seeing counterfeit chemicals being transported into the country. The FIGs are working with their local partners to combat each threat. OI is working on publishing an IIR to ensure the IC is tracking and an the release of an updated focused collection message for the field. (b)(7)(E)
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False COVID Testing Kits:
As a surge in the demand for medical supplies occurs amidst the outbreak of COVID-19, a range of bad actors, including opportunists, Transnational Criminal Organizations, and state actors, may seek to exploit the situation by attempting to introduce bogus or non-U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved COVID-19 test kits into the U.S. marketplace.

Counterfeit chemicals: (U//LES) On March 17, 2020, CBP Officers (CBPOs) assigned to the Bridge of the Americas (BOTA) Cargo Facility in El Paso, TX, seized a commercial shipment of counterfeit disinfectant and cleaning products. It is
believed the criminal element will capitalize on a shortage of high demand products as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak by selling counterfeit products which will threaten the safety of the American people.

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Subject: Emerging Threats

Sir,

I just want to make sure that C1 is tracking both issues attached above. **BLUF:** CBP is seeing an increase in false COVID testing kits being shipped to New York and Lot Angeles. Also, on the SWLB they are seeing counterfeit chemicals being transported into the country. The FIGs are working with their local partners to combat each threat. OI is working on

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Attached above is a BID article on the COVID testing kits and the field intelligence report on the chemicals. If any additional details are needed or if he'd prefer a deep-dive brief, we'd be happy to accommodate.

V/R,

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"If you are going to achieve excellence in big things, you develop the habit in little matters. Excellence is not an exception, it is a prevailing attitude". – Colin Powell

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CC: OC Chief of Staff (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Subject: Fwd: Coronavirus Update

Attachments: 02042020 Coronavirus Updates.docx

FYSA

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To: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Cc: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: FW: Coronavirus Update

Debbie, please see below and attached for OFO update on Coronavirus:

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Subject: RE: Coronavirus Update

Tony,

Please see attached as requested. Information also pasted below:

Office of Field Operations
Operations Coronavirus Coordination Cell
212(f) Proclamation Response
February 4, 2020

I
Current Situation

- On January 31, 2020 the President of the United States signed a Presidential Proclamation entitled: "Suspension of Entry as Immigrants and Nonimmigrants of Persons Who Pose a Risk of Transmitting 2019 Novel Coronavirus."

- On February 2, 2020, 5 p.m. EST, the Proclamation restricts and suspends the entry into the United States, as immigrants or nonimmigrants, of certain aliens who were physically present within the People's Republic of China, excluding the Special Autonomous Regions of Hong Kong and Macau, during the 14-day period immediately preceding their entry or attempted entry into the United States.

- On February 2, 2020, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner has delegated the authority, on a case-by-case basis, to make the determinations found in section 2(a)(x)-(xi) of the Proclamation to authorize the entry into the United States certain categories of aliens.

- The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has identified 11 airports where all flights carrying persons who have recently traveled from, or were otherwise present within, the People's Republic of China may land. These funneled airports are:
    - John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK), New York
    - Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD), Illinois
    - San Francisco International Airport (SFO), California
    - Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA), Washington
    - Daniel K. Inouye International Airport (HNL), Hawaii
    - Los Angeles International Airport, (LAX), California
    - Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL), Georgia
    - Washington-Dulles International Airport (IAD), Virginia
    - Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR), New Jersey
    - Dallas/Ft. Worth International Airport (DFQ), Texas
    - Detroit Metropolitan Airport (DTW), Michigan

- CBP continues to facilitate CDC's enhanced health screening at all U.S. ports of entry. Consistent with CDC procedures, and in accordance with the Presidential Proclamation, individuals encountered by CBP at all locations with recent (within 14 days) travel to China are referred to CDC or local health officials for additional health screening.

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- OFO and OIT are working together to automate contact data transmission to CDC.

- CDC is working with public health partners to support the implementation of the travel policies, including the quarantine of U.S. citizens and other exempted persons returning from China for up to 14 days.

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CC: PEREZ, ROBERT E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) SEGUIN, DEBBIE W
Subject: RE: CBP Daily News Brief: Mar. 18, 2020

Sir, completely agree. We've proactively increased our CBPO presence at the limit lines yesterday afternoon, (b)(7)(E)
(b)(7)(E)

Todd C. Owen
Executive Assistant Commissioner
Office of Field Operations
U.S. Customs & Border Protection

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Cc: PEREZ, ROBERT E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Fwd: CBP Daily News Brief: Mar. 18, 2020

Good morning!

(b)(7)(E)

Sent from my iPhone

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From: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Date: March 18, 2020 at 6:56:39 AM EDT
Subject: CBP Daily News Brief: Mar. 18, 2020

March 18, 2020

Executive Summary

The New York Times reported that four administration officials said that the Trump administration plans to immediately turn back all asylum seekers and other foreigners attempting to enter the United States from Mexico illegally, saying the nation cannot risk allowing the coronavirus to spread through detention facilities and border patrol agents. The administration officials said the ports of entry would

remain open to American citizens, green-card holders and foreigners with proper documentation. But under the new rule, set to be announced in the next 48 hours, border patrol agents would immediately return anyone to Mexico — without any detainment and without any due process — who attempts to cross the southwestern border between the legal ports of entry. They would not be held for any length of time in an American facility. Numerous media outlets reported on the New York Times coverage.

Meanwhile, the Los Angeles Times reported that Guatemala on Tuesday became the first Central American nation to block deportation flights from the United States in an effort to prevent the spread of the coronavirus, a dramatic turnabout on Trump administration policies barring entry to asylum seekers from the region. Guatemala's ministry of foreign affairs announced that all deportation flights would be paused "as a precautionary measure" to establish additional health checks. Ahead of the announcement, the country's president said that Guatemala also would close its borders completely for 15 days.

And USA Today reported that advocates say thousands of asylum seekers in border towns near the Texas-Mexico border awaiting U.S. immigration hearings are at risk of dying from coronavirus because of poor health access and unsafe conditions. In Matamoros, where about 2,000 migrants live in a sprawling outdoor camp, health advocates warned that the coronavirus could spread rampantly. The camp is across the Rio Grande from Brownsville. Last week, Global Response Management, the nonprofit that operates the only health clinic in the camp, launched plans to erect a two-tent, 20-bed field hospital in the camp to house coronavirus patients if and when the virus arrives.

Top News

[A.1] Crackdown on Southern Border Is Planned; U.S. Records 100th Death

March 17, 2020 (New York Times) Reach: 118m

The Trump administration plans to immediately turn back all asylum seekers and other foreigners attempting to enter the United States from Mexico illegally, saying the nation cannot risk allowing the coronavirus to spread through detention facilities and border patrol agents, four administration officials said. The administration officials said the ports of entry would remain open to American citizens, green-card holders and foreigners with proper documentation. The points of entry will also be open to commercial traffic.

[A.2] Guatemala turns tables, blocking U.S. deportations because of coronavirus

March 17, 2020 (Los Angeles Times - Cindy Carcamo) Reach: 28.4m

Guatemala on Tuesday became the first Central American nation to block deportation flights from the United States in an effort to prevent the spread of the coronavirus, a dramatic turnabout on Trump administration policies barring entry to asylum seekers from the region. Guatemala's ministry of foreign affairs announced that all deportation flights would be paused "as a precautionary measure" to establish additional health checks.

[A.3] Migrants waiting at US-Mexico border at risk of coronavirus, health experts warn

March 17, 2020 (USA Today - Rick Jervis) Reach: 58.2m

Thousands of asylum seekers in border towns near the Texas-Mexico border awaiting U.S. immigration hearings are at risk of dying from coronavirus because of poor health access and unsafe conditions, advocates say. In Matamoros, where about 2,000 migrants live in a sprawling outdoor camp, health advocates warned that the coronavirus could spread rampantly. The camp is across the Rio Grande from Brownsville.

NEWS INDEX

Border Security (Along U.S. Borders)

[B.1] Trump mulls sending all who cross border illegally to Mexico

March 17, 2020 (Associated Press) Reach: 15.1m

The Trump administration is considering a plan to turn back all people who cross the border illegally from Mexico, two administration officials said Tuesday, using powers they say the president has during pandemics like the coronavirus outbreak to mount what would be one of the most aggressive attempts to curtail illegal immigration.

Border Security (Ports of Entry)

[C.1] Border Patrol takes precautions against coronavirus

March 18, 2020 (MinotDailyNews.com) Reach: 45.6k

CBP is taking precautions to protect people from the coronavirus, according to a press release from the regional office. The release read, in part, that: "U.S. Customs and Border Protection's highest priority is to ensure the health, safety and security of our workforce and the American people. CBP agents and officers will maintain situational awareness while identifying individuals who have traveled from or transited through countries affected by COVID-19."

[C.2] Arizona customs officers seize record-breaking amount of meth hidden in produce shipment

March 17, 2020 (The Arizona Republic - Rafael Carranza) Reach: 4.1m

CBP said on Tuesday that Arizona customs officers seized a record-breaking 690 pounds of methamphetamine hidden in a shipment of tomatoes and bell peppers coming through the Mariposa commercial border crossing in Nogales. The seizure, which CBP calls the largest meth bust "in Arizona port history," happened on March 9 when a canine officer alerted other customs officers to the presence of drugs hidden in a non-factory compartment of a tractor trailer carrying produce.

Border Wall

[D.1] Critics: New Border Fence Divides Jaguar Land

March 17, 2020 (Fronteras Desk - Michel Marizco) Reach: 17.9k

Environmental groups warn that a new segment of border fence the Trump administration is building in Arizona will destroy recovery efforts for the jaguar species that travels between the U.S. and Mexico. DHS waived a slew of environmental laws to rush through a series of border fence projects this week. Plans are to build dozens of miles of border fence from San Diego to Del Rio, Texas.

[D.2] U.S. waives laws, requests input for 91 miles of new border wall construction in Arizona

March 17, 2020 (The Arizona Republic - Rafael Carranza) Reach: 4.1m

CBP officials plan to build or replace more than 91 miles of border barriers along the Arizona-Mexico border in one of the largest expansions of border wall construction in the state.

Travel

[E.1] Return of Canada's 'snowbirds' raises COVID-19 concerns

March 17, 2020 (Politico - LAUREN GARDNER) Reach: 21.6m

Hundreds of thousands of retired Canadians spend their winters in warm American climes, timing their return with the melt of the snow back home. Heightened concerns about the rapid spread of COVID-19 are prompting Canadian officials to openly question whether the travelers may bring home more than memories and souvenirs. It's unclear if border agents are prepared to manage their arrival or if the travelers know about the self-quarantine precautions they're supposed to take when they get to Canada.

[E.2] 'We don't want airlines going out of business:' Trump says financial help on way as travel grinds to a halt

March 17, 2020 (USA Today - Dawn Gilbertson) Reach: 58.2m

With the travel fallout from coronavirus worsening daily, talk in Washington seems to have shifted from a potential domestic travel ban to emergency federal aid for battered airlines. Treasury Secretary Steve Mnuchin said he has spoken with airline CEOs this week about what they need. The industry is seeking $50 billion in aid.

[E.3] COVID-19 and International Travel: The Latest Immigration Consequences of the Coronavirus

March 17, 2020 (JD Supra - Melissa Manna) Reach: 309k

The global COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact international travel to the United States as well as the availability of U.S. consular services around the world. The Trump administration is suspending the entry of foreign nationals from the UK and Ireland into the United States. It is

important to note that the travel restrictions apply regardless of whether an individual has a valid ESTA.

Trade

[F.1] Ports feel coronavirus impact on global trade

March 17, 2020 (Financial Times) Reach: 11.5m

California's Long Beach port handled $38 billion in Chinese goods last year, but activity at the normally bustling harbor has more than halved from normal levels as the coronavirus outbreak spreads around the globe, according to harbor officials. Los Angeles' ports have seen 50 "blank sailings" — ships scheduled to arrive that never finished their journeys — since the outbreak began.

[F.2] Japan's exports fall, imports from China slump as virus impact widens

March 17, 2020 (Reuters) Reach: 25.5m

Japan's exports slipped for a 15th straight month in February as U.S. and China-bound shipments declined, suggesting a cooling of business activity in the world's third-largest economy due to the coronavirus outbreak. Imports from China fell at their fastest pace since 1986 after the virus, which has killed more than 7,000 people worldwide, led to a widespread shutdown of production in the region's largest economy.

[F.3] U.S. trade chief tells Congress of plans for trade deal with Kenya

March 17, 2020 (Reuters) Reach: 25.5m

U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer on Tuesday informed Congress of plans to negotiate a comprehensive trade agreement with the African country of Kenya, and pledged to follow a process that requires ongoing consultations with U.S. lawmakers.

[F.4] US pharmaceutical industry aims to wrest some drug production back from China

March 17, 2020 (Fox News - Hollie McKay) Reach: 60.6m

The dramatic proliferation of the coronavirus has U.S. officials on an accelerated mission to bring the production of life-saving medicines back to U.S. shores and away from the control of the Chinese government.

[F.5] U.S. to boost tariffs on Airbus planes Wednesday, adding pressure on airlines

March 17, 2020 (Reuters) Reach: 25.5m

The United States is expected to increase U.S. tariffs on Airbus planes by 50 percent on Wednesday, U.S. and European officials say, dealing a further blow to U.S. airlines already hammered by sharp drops in travel due to the coronavirus pandemic. Tariffs on Airbus aircraft built in Europe are to

increase to 15 percent from 10 percent at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday, as Washington pressures the EU to comply with a World Trade Organization ruling on illegal aircraft subsidies.

[F.6] 'Buy American' push gets a lashing

March 17, 2020 (Politico - MEGAN CASSELLA) Reach: 21.6m

The possible reshoring of medical supply chains is being tossed around as an option as the Trump administration weighs various economic policy responses to the coronavirus — but some industry groups are criticizing the move. White House trade adviser Peter Navarro said Sunday that President Trump will sign an executive order this week that would help bring pharmaceutical and medical supply chains back to the U.S., in part by placing new "Buy American" requirements on certain government agencies.

[F.7] Businesses were already hurting under Trump's trade war. Then came coronavirus.

March 17, 2020 (The Washington Post - Rachel Siegel) Reach: 60.2m

From entire industries to small businesses, companies that planned to hire new employees this year or invest in updated equipment are backing off, holding onto hope that the economy will turn around once the outbreak is contained. That may not come soon enough for businesses already hurting under Trump's trade war, which spurred billions of dollars in tit-for-tat tariffs from the United States and China alike. The partial trade deal signed earlier this year left a slew of unresolved trade issues still on the table.

[F.8] Coronavirus rocks already strained ties between US, China

March 18, 2020 (Associated Press) Reach: 15.1m

Badly strained ties between the United States and China are deteriorating further with the two sides hurling harsh accusations and bitter name-calling over responsibility for the spread of the novel coronavirus. The global pandemic is just one in a series of irritants that has rocked the relationship between Washington and Beijing since the Trump administration began to step up long-simmering confrontations on issues ranging from territory to trade to high-tech telecommunications.

Workforce

[G.1] House Homeland Security Committee Sends Message of Support to DHS Frontline Workforce

March 17, 2020 (Homeland Security Today) Reach: 38.3k

Rep. Bennie G. Thompson (D-MS), Chairman of the Committee on Homeland Security, and Rep. Mike Rogers (R-AL), Ranking Member of the Committee, released an open letter Tuesday to the frontline workforce of DHS, thanking them for their continued service during the coronavirus pandemic to keep the U.S. safe.

Opioid

[H.1] Meth, Fentanyl Seized at Immigration Checkpoints in California and Arizona

March 17, 2020 (Breitbart - Bob Price) Reach: 5.9m

Border Patrol agents assigned to interior immigration checkpoints in California and Arizona stopped two loads of methamphetamine from making their way to cities across the country. In another incident, agents found a hidden compartment in the center console of a vehicle that contained seven packages of what agents identified as fentanyl.

Opinion

[I.1] Brandon Judd: Coronavirus pandemic requires US to adopt new policy to quickly deport illegal immigrants

March 18, 2020 (Fox News - Brandon Judd) Reach: 60.6m

In this opinion piece, Brandon Judd wrote that an "emergency proposal to protect the American people from the coronavirus by quickly sending illegal immigrants and asylum seekers who cross our southern border back to Mexico should be approved as a short-term response to the pandemic." He noted that Fox News learned Tuesday that the plan is being developed by the DHS but is not yet ready to send to President Trump for a final decision.

[I.2] To Fix Supply Shortages, Change the Rules of Globalization

March 17, 2020 (Barron's) Reach: 4.1m

In this opinion piece, Beth Baltzan wrote that the United States' supply chains—our access to basic goods—are "precariously fragile." She added that while the United States does not need to be "fully self-sufficient," it "can no longer afford to rely on hostile foreign powers, or single sources in allies, for essential goods."

[I.3] Coronavirus Pandemic Magnifying the Impact of Trade War on China

March 17, 2020 (The Epoch Times) Reach: 5.5m

In this opinion piece, writer James Gorrie wrote that "with the impact of the trade war in China being magnified by the pandemic and other events, a new tone is present in Beijing's rhetoric."

[I.4] Pandemic Problem: Panicked Americans are Destroying Their Supply Chains

March 17, 2020 (The National Interest - Martijn Rasser) Reach: 5.2m

In this opinion piece, Martijn Rasser wrote that "with all of the uncertainty swirling around the COVID-19 outbreak, one thing is crystal clear: the methods needed to prevent or contain an epidemic have exposed the vulnerability and fragility of U.S. supply chains. Quarantines, travel bans, and factory shutdowns showed the risks in achieving economies of scale through geographic concentration."

Immigration

[J.1] US Agencies Made It Harder To Reunite Immigrant Families Because They Failed To Keep Accurate Records, Report Finds

March 17, 2020 (Buzzfeednews) Reach: 15.3m

All U.S. agencies involved in separating immigrant families failed to accurately track parents and children, making it difficult for the government to reunite them in some cases, according to an unpublished report from the Government Accountability Office that was obtained by BuzzFeed News on Tuesday. The report, slated to be published Wednesday, looked at the coordination between DHS and HHS, which takes custody of separated immigrant children.

[J.2] Trump administration has discussed shutting southern U.S. border, says official

March 17, 2020 (NBCNEWS.com - Laura Strickler) Reach: 43.6m

Asked by reporters Tuesday if he would be shutting the land borders to the U.S. because of coronavirus, President Trump said he did not want to shut them, but was "discussing" the issue with Mexico and Canada. A senior administration official told NBC News the administration has already explored the possibility of new restrictions on the southern U.S. border, because of fears that once the virus hits Central American countries like Honduras, Guatemala and El Salvador, citizens of those countries will begin to travel to the U.S. border in large numbers to try to access the U.S. healthcare system.

[J.3] US is pushing to reject all asylum seekers, citing coronavirus worries

March 17, 2020 (CNN.com International - Evan Perez) Reach: 30.3m

The administration is pushing to use the coronavirus pandemic to accomplish some of the tough immigration restrictions that hardliners have struggled to put into practice since President Trump took office, including blocking entry to asylum seekers, according to U.S. officials briefed on the plans. A plan to turn back all migrants seeking asylum would have its most immediate effect on the U.S.-Mexico border.

[J.4] Report: U.S. To Turn Away Asylum Seekers During COVID-19 Outbreak

March 17, 2020 (Times of San Diego - Christine Huard) Reach: 152k

The U.S. Border Patrol's San Diego-area office had no immediate response Tuesday to a published report that the federal government plans to begin turning back all asylum seekers at the U.S.-Mexico line over concerns about the worsening coronavirus pandemic. The border-enforcement agency has had no local discussions about Tuesday's report in The New York Times, which attributed the information to four unnamed Trump administration officials, Supervisor USBP Agent Jeff Stephenson said.

[J.5] Coronavirus Update: Trump To Turn Back Asylum Seekers, Fears COVID-19 Spread In Detention Facilities

March 17, 2020 (International Business Times - Arthur Villasanta) Reach: 3.9m

Neighboring Mexico has only 82 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and no reported deaths. Despite these facts, President Trump and his administration plans to immediately repatriate all asylum seekers and other foreigners attempting to enter the U.S. from Mexico illegally to prevent coronavirus infected foreigners from contaminating detention centers and agents of CBP.

[J.6] Immigrants Waiting At The Mexican Border Are At High Risk Of Contracting Coronavirus, Experts Warn

March 17, 2020 (Buzzfeednews) Reach: 15.3m

Health care providers south of the U.S.–Mexico border are gearing up for potential coronavirus infections among immigrants waiting to make their way north, a population they say is at higher risk because of underlying medical and living conditions. The operations director of an organization providing free health care to immigrants and asylum-seekers living in a makeshift encampment in the Mexican city of Matamoros said it was possible they could see a higher mortality rate than the 2.3 percent seen in a China-based study of 72,314 cases.

[J.7] Migrants waiting at US-Mexico border at risk of coronavirus, health experts warn

March 17, 2020 (The Arizona Republic - Rick Jervis) Reach: 4.1m

Thousands of asylum seekers crammed in border towns near the Texas-Mexico border awaiting U.S. immigration hearings are at risk of dying from coronavirus because of poor health access and unsafe conditions, advocates say. In Matamoros, where about 2,000 migrants live in a sprawling outdoor camp, health advocates warned that the coronavirus could spread rampantly. The camp is across the Rio Grande from Brownsville.

[J.8] US sued to stop deportation of 3 children to El Salvador

March 17, 2020 (Associated Press) Reach: 15.1m

After being denied U.S. asylum in Texas and returned to a squalid camp in Mexico, a mother from El Salvador chose to send her three children back across the border alone. Now, those children face deportation, even though their father lives in Maryland and is eager to take them in, according to attorneys. Lawyers for the children sued the U.S. government Tuesday demanding that the children be released from a government facility and allowed to seek asylum.

[J.9] ALCU sues ICE for release of immigrants 'particularly vulnerable' to coronavirus

March 17, 2020 (Washington Examiner) Reach: 15.7m

The American Civil Liberties Union filed a lawsuit against ICE seeking the release of detained immigrants who pose an especially high risk of contracting the coronavirus. The organization filed the

suit in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington on Monday specifically on behalf of immigrants being held at the Tacoma Northwest Detention Center in Tacoma, Washington.

[J.10] With masks at the ready, ICE agents make arrests on first day of California coronavirus lockdown

March 17, 2020 (Los Angeles Times - Brittny MejiaStaff) Reach: 28.4m

With safety measures taken across California due to the spread of the coronavirus, immigrant advocates have criticized ICE for its continued enforcement operations. More than 45 organizations signed a letter this week calling on DHS to suspend such actions. However, while ICE said it would take precautions, given the new reality, the agency also said the arrests would go on.

[J.11] ICE continues arrests despite coronavirus lockdowns

March 17, 2020 (New York Post - Adam Schrader) Reach: 44.6m

Officers with ICE are continuing arrests in California despite intense lockdowns to help mitigate the growing coronavirus crisis, a report said Tuesday. Los Angeles has instituted a strict crackdown on open services – similar to New York – closing schools, libraries, restaurant seating, bars and clubs that don't serve food, gyms, movie theaters, concert venues, recreation centers, bowling alleys and arcades.

[J.12] Border chief won't hand over criminal illegals to sanctuary cities

March 17, 2020 (Washington Examiner) Reach: 15.7m

The new chief of the U.S. Border Patrol has drawn a line at handing over illegal immigrant criminals to sanctuary cities that won't promise to return them after their local court cases are completed. Rodney Scott, who was named chief in January, said that even those wanted for murder won't be handed over if they won't be returned to federal officials to be deported.

[J.13] Federal immigration system remains open despite CDC coronavirus warnings

March 17, 2020 (Miami Herald - Monique O. Madan) Reach: 8.7m

As state and local courtrooms across the country have shuttered their doors, the federal immigration system remains open. DHS and the Department of Justice, which oversee immigration courtrooms, offices and check-in facilities, have declined to close up shop amid the coronavirus pandemic. Their decision to keep operating comes despite recommendations from the CDC, as well as President Trump, that the public avoid gatherings of more than 10 people.

[J.14] Immigration judges, ICE attorneys, and experts are calling on the Trump administration to close the courts to stop the novel coronavirus from spreading

March 18, 2020 (Business Insider - Charles Davis) Reach: 67.1m

The Trump administration — and, namely, the Executive Office for Immigration Review, which oversees the United States' 68 immigration courts — is resisting demands to shutter the courtrooms.

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Message

From: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Sent: 3/6/2020 1:45:39 AM

To: PEREZ, ROBERT E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

CC: FERRARA, WILLIAM (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) (b)(6)(b)(7)(C); SEGUIN, DEBBIE W

Subject: Re: Initial Reporting: Boston Logan Airport presumptively positive for COVOD-19

Rgr.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 5, 2020, at 8:36 PM, PEREZ, ROBERT E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Concur with the EAC Sir - would just ask that we seek to be as consistent as possible with the contact tracing and notifications/comms.

REP

Robert E. Perez
Deputy Commissioner
U.S. Customs & Border Protection

On Mar 5, 2020, at 8:28 PM, FERRARA, WILLIAM (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

This is one of 4 tonight. We have a ORD and we think 2 LAX. We are going to see a big spike as the tests are now available. We will do the normal employee contact tracing and notifications. I recommend we stay the course.

William A Ferrara
Executive Assistant Commissioner
Operations Support
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

On Mar 5, 2020, at 8:24 PM, MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Thoughts?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: SITROOM (b)(7)(E)
Date: March 5, 2020 at 8:08:24 PM EST

To: CBP SITROOM CBP LEADERSHIP (b)(7)(E)
(b)(7)(E)
Cc: SITROOM (b)(7)(E) CBP
Corona Virus Mailbox
(b)(7)(E) CBP HQ EOC
(b)(7)(E) CBP OFO CCC
Subject: Initial Reporting: Boston Logan Airport presumptively positive for COVOD-19

Incident Information Sheet

Reporting Office: Incident Management

Incident Name: COVID-19

Incident Address/location: Boston Logan

Region/Sector: Region 1

LFC/Incident Commander: NA

Damages to Facilities: NA

Damage to Equipment: NA

Down Time: NA

Recent Updates

The CDC has informed CBP at Boston Logan Airport that a passenger that arrived from Zurich ab flight 52 on March 2, 2020 has tested "presumptively positive" for the COVID-19 Virus.

The passenger a 69 year old female was identified as (b)(6)

(b)(6) did not have any (b)(7)(E) on her and was processed as a USC through the APC kios

CBP research revealed that SHARRIGAN was traveling with her husband (b)(6) and they both departed from Boston Logan Airport on February 13, 2020.

CDC has only provided information regarding status of (b)(6) no information was pr husband.

CDC has advised that they will provide an update once the final tests are confirmed.

Current Situation

Resources Assigned
USBP: 0
OFO: 0
AMO: 0
OIT: 0
LNO's: 0
Public Information Officer: 0

<Boston Sport report 0002.docx>

Message

From: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: 3/20/2020 8:59:14 PM
To: DURST, CASEY OWEN (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) OC Chief of Staff
(b)(7)(E)
CC: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Re: Request for Clearance - Principals Statements Title 42 USC 265

Yup. Clearly behind on emails. Please make sure DHS knows. Thank you

Debbie Seguin
(A) Chief of Staff, CBP
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

From: DURST, CASEY OWEN (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2020 4:46:10 PM
To: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C); OC Chief of Staff (b)(7)(E)
Cc: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: RE: Request for Clearance - Principals Statements Title 42 USC 265

Is this what you mean? Received at 4:36.

(b)(5)

Casey Durst
Acting Assistant Commissioner
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. Customs and Border Protection
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) (office)
(cell)

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Cc: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Re: Request for Clearance - Principals Statements Title 42 USC 265

Clear. But this needs to be timed, correct? (b)(5)

Debbie Seguin
Cell: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

From: DURST, CASEY OWEN (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2020 4:30:51 PM
To: OC Chief of Staff (b)(7)(E)
Cc: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: RE: Request for Clearance - Principals Statements Title 42 USC 265

Minor edit:

STATEMENTS

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SOCIAL MEDIA

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From: DURST, CASEY OWEN
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2020 4:16 PM
To: OC Chief of Staff (b)(7)(E)
Cc: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Request for Clearance - Principals Statements Title 42 USC 265
Importance: High

For clearance:

STATEMENTS

(b)(5)

SOCIAL MEDIA

@CBP Tweet:

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@CBPMarkMorgan Retweet with Comment of @CBP Tweet:

(b)(5)

Draft tweet for Chief Scott (@USBPChief)

(b)(5)

Message

From: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Sent: 2/4/2020 10:42:15 PM

To: VESELSKY, ANTHONY J (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

CC: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

Subject: Re: Coronavirus Update

Thank you

Debbie Seguin
(A) Chief of Staff, CBP
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

From: VESELSKY, ANTHONY J (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, February 4, 2020 1:30:00 PM
To: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Cc: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: FW: Coronavirus Update

Debbie, please see below and attached for OFO update on Coronavirus:

- OFO has seen a dramatic increase in secondary referrals to CDC after implementation of the Presidential Proclamation, up almost 2000%, with the largest volumes are in the funneling airports.

- To date, OFO has utilized the 212F bar on two occasions (five individuals total):
  - On February 3, a Canadian citizen applied for admission as a TN at the Peace Bridge in Buffalo, NY. He had returned from China four days prior and was allowed to withdrawn his admission.
  - On February 3, four Chinese citizens applied for admission at Highgate Springs, VT. They entered Canada 13 days prior from China and were allowed to withdrawn their admission.

- OFO and OS are working with (b)(7)(E) to facilitate screening support at Land Border POEs with the (b)(7)(E)

Tony Veselsky
U.S. Customs and Border Protection
Office of the Commissioner
Adiutant to the Chief of Staff
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) Mobile
Desk
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From: SULIVERAS, ALLISON M (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, February 4, 2020 2:15 PM
To: VESELSKY, ANTHONY J (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Cc: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: RE: Coronavirus Update

Tony,

Please see attached as requested. Information also pasted below:

Office of Field Operations
Operations Coronavirus Coordination Cell
212(f) Proclamation Response
February 4, 2020

Current Situation

- On January 31, 2020 the President of the United States signed a Presidential Proclamation entitled: "Suspension of Entry as Immigrants and Nonimmigrants of Persons Who Pose a Risk of Transmitting 2019 Novel Coronavirus."

- On February 2, 2020, 5 p.m. EST, the Proclamation restricts and suspends the entry into the United States, as immigrants or nonimmigrants, of certain aliens who were physically present within the People's Republic of China, excluding the Special Autonomous Regions of Hong Kong and Macau, during the 14-day period immediately preceding their entry or attempted entry into the United States.

- On February 2, 2020, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner has delegated the authority, on a case-by-case basis, to make the determinations found in section 2(a)(x)-(xi) of the Proclamation to authorize the entry into the United States certain categories of aliens.

- The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has identified 11 airports where all flights carrying persons who have recently traveled from, or were otherwise present within, the People's Republic of China may land. These funneled airports are:
    - John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK), New York
    - Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD), Illinois
    - San Francisco International Airport (SFO), California
    - Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA), Washington
    - Daniel K. Inouye International Airport (HNL), Hawaii
    - Los Angeles International Airport, (LAX), California
    - Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL), Georgia
    - Washington-Dulles International Airport (IAD), Virginia
    - Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR), New Jersey
    - Dallas/Ft. Worth International Airport (DFQ), Texas
    - Detroit Metropolitan Airport (DTW), Michigan

- CBP continues to facilitate CDC's enhanced health screening at all U.S. ports of entry. Consistent with CDC procedures, and in accordance with the Presidential Proclamation, individuals encountered by CBP at all locations with recent (within 14 days) travel to China are referred to CDC or local health officials for additional health screening.

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- OFO and OS are working with DHS CWMD to facilitate screening support at Land Border POEs with the highest threat locations coming on-line first:
  - Buffalo, Blaine, San Ysidro, Laredo

- OFO and OIT are working together to automate contact data transmission to CDC.

- CDC is working with public health partners to support the implementation of the travel policies, including the quarantine of U.S. citizens and other exempted persons returning from China for up to 14 days.

Allison Suliveras
Chief of Staff
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Message

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To: DURST, CASEY OWEN (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: FW: Handout for Employees

Casey – as discussed, FYI. Thanks.

REP

Robert E. Perez
Deputy Commissioner
U.S. Customs & Border Protection

From: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Sunday, March 8, 2020 11:48 PM
To: PEREZ, ROBERT E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Fwd: Handout for Employees

Just a quick example of information we could actually physically hand to them in a professional looking document. I know this information has been sent out or available in some form or another. Just thinking it would be good to consolidate and provide in a single document.

I know some of the info below may be dated so I'm not saying use all this - please verify everything. Just providing as an example.

Handout for Employees

WORKFORCE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q: What is the novel coronavirus?

A: Coronaviruses are a family of viruses that can cause respiratory illness in people. Coronaviruses circulate among animals, including camels, cattle, cats, and bats.

A novel coronavirus is a new coronavirus that has not been previously identified. The virus causing coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), is not the same as the coronaviruses that commonly circulate among humans and cause mild illness, like the common cold. Patients with COVID-19 will be evaluated and cared for differently than patients with common coronavirus diagnosis.

Additional information about COVID-19 can be found on the CDC website.

Q: What are the symptoms of the novel coronavirus?
A: According to the CDC reported illnesses have ranged from mild symptoms to severe illness and death for confirmed COVID-19 cases. The following symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure:

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath

Employees should call their healthcare professional if: (1) they develop symptoms and have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19; or (2) if they have recently traveled from an area with widespread or ongoing community spread of COVID-19. Employees should visit the CDC website for more information.

Q: How dangerous is the novel coronavirus?

A: The immediate health risk from COVID-19 is **LOW** for the general American public and the general CBP workforce. Individual risk depends on exposure, which may vary across the workforce.

Q: How can employees keep themselves and their families safe?

A: The most effective way to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and all diseases similar to influenza are the measures outlined below:

- **Get Vaccinated** against influenza. Although COVID-19 is a different type of respiratory illness, the influenza vaccine can still help prevent seasonal influenza, which can avoid potential confusion with COVID-19.

- **Avoid ALL Touching** of your eyes, nose and mouth with your hands. The COVID-19 virus can stay viable on hard surfaces such as door knobs, hand rails, bathroom fixtures and faucet handles for up to 12 hours. Touching surfaces that may have been previously touched by individuals in early stages of COVID-19 can result in the indirect spreading from person to person.

- **Stay Home** when you are sick and consult your health care provider. If you notice any symptoms of fever, sore throat or trouble breathing and you have been in contact with anyone who has traveled to any region affected by COVID-19 or you are a close contact of some diagnosed with COVID-19, alert your health care provider prior to arrival.

- **Cover your Cough or Sneeze** with a tissue or the cuff of your elbow and immediately throw the tissue in the trash. NEVER cover your cough with your hands.

- **Clean and Disinfect**. After contact with "high-touch" or shared surfaces (counters, tabletops, doorknobs, bathroom fixtures, toilets, phones, keyboards, tablets, etc.), wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-

based hand sanitizer with at least 60 - 95% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if hands are visibly dirty. Washing of hands is especially important after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. Any commonly touched surfaces should be cleaned and disinfected with EPA registered disinfectants such as Lysol or Clorox disinfecting wipes and sprays. There is also a CDC Disinfecting and Cleaning page with a list of EPA registered disinfectants.

- **N95 Respirator/Surgical Mask Use** by the general public is not generally being recommended by CDC, the World Health Organization (WHO), the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA), or any public health authorities at this time. CBP leadership is determined to ensure N95 respirators are available to the workforce should the situation change and their use becomes necessary, to include CBP Headquarters staff, mission support personnel, and personnel working in office settings who have traditionally not been provided N95 respirators in the past. Personnel need to understand the difference between a surgical mask (which is primarily for ill passengers/travelers), which will not generally provide the user with adequate protection from exposure and the use of an N95 respirator. The CBP Coronavirus Job Hazard Analysis (JHA) provides detailed guidance for all personnel on when N95 respirators are considered mandatory and when they would be considered "voluntary use." An example of voluntary use would include situations where CBP provides an N95 respirator for administrative and support personnel using mass transit to and from work when the risk level is increased. Such use would fall into "Voluntary Use" and CBP would follow existing "Voluntary Use" protocols. Those protocols involve providing an N95 at CBP expense, providing a short educational video on N95 voluntary use (which can be found on the COVID-19 Resource Page), and providing those personnel a copy of Appendix D of 29 CFR 1910.134 (which is an OSHA requirement for any employer who allows "Voluntary Use"). This could be provided personally by the individual's supervisor or via email, and Appendix D as well as this guidance will be posted on the COVID-19 Resource Page along with the current JHA.

- **Additional Information** on these topics and updated COVID-19 status can be found on the OSH Division COVID-19 Safety and Health Resource Page Here.

Q. What should an employee do if he or she becomes ill or is suspected to have or tested positive for COVID-19?

A: If a person becomes ill with any of the COVID-19 symptoms (fever, sore throat, difficulty breathing), they should stay home and contact their health care provider right away. Most health care providers are taking precautions to prevent the further spread of disease within the healthcare system. Employees should let their health care provider know if they have traveled to any area affected by COVID-19 or had any contact with confirmed COVID-19 cases. Health care providers will determine the need for further testing/confirmation. Individuals may be designated as a 'Person Under Investigation' and may be referred for further evaluation and confirmatory testing.

Employees should notify their CBP supervisor that they are being evaluated and should follow up after they have been evaluated by a health care provider. If employees are considered to be at risk for COVID-19, are identified as a 'Person Under Investigation', or test positive for COVID-19, they will be placed on OPM weather and safety leave. See OPM guidance on workplace flexibilities for

employees impacted by COVID-19. This information and more can be found on the CBP COVID- 19 Resource Portal.

Q: How long should employees stay home if they are exposed to the coronavirus?
A: If an employee has been potentially exposed to someone who is at a high risk of having or who is suspected of having COVID-19, the employee may be asked to remain at home and may be asked to self-observe, self-monitor or self-quarantine for up to 14 days, or longer in specific circumstances, before returning to work. Employees should always consult their healthcare provider and notify their supervisor for more specific guidance.

Q: What measures is CBP taking to ensure the health and safety of employees?

A: CBP has national pandemic plans and continuity of operations plans in place and a comprehensive Job Hazard Analysis (JHA) has been conducted based on risk. We have appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) N95 at all ports, stations, air branches and every place we operate around the globe. CBP has also set aside funding to procure additional PPE if needed. CBP has HRM Safety and Occupational Health Specialist located in every Field Office and Sector to assist operational components complete the mission of CBP while ensuring that our employees remain safe.

Q: An employee at my office tested positive for coronavirus. Will CBP close my office?
A: Such decisions will be made on a case-by-case basis, depending upon specific circumstances and based on consultation and guidance from appropriate authorities. Some facilities may be closed out of an abundance of caution. Employees should contact their direct supervisor for further instruction. If a supervisor is aware that someone in their facility has tested positive for the coronavirus, they should contact the nearest CDC office and notify CBP COVID-19 EOC. The CDC's state and local Quarantine Officer at the Division of Global Migration and Quarantine will work to identify which facilities, if any, need to be closed. The CDC will work with CBP if they have identified a facility for closure.

Q: Will employees be expected to work if their office is closed?

A: If a facility is closed, program offices are encouraged to use telework to the extent that doing so is appropriate. The CBP Telework Policy guidance is as follows:

a. An employee who participates in the telework program would generally be expected to perform telework at home as long as the employee is asymptomatic. (See 5 CFR 630.1605.) If a telework program participant in these circumstances needs time off for personal reasons, then the employee would be expected to take other personal leave or paid time off (e.g., annual leave or sick leave to care for a family member).

b. A telework-ready* employee who is quarantined at a location other than the employee's home is not eligible to telework because the quarantine location is likely

not an approved work location for the employee. This employee should receive weather and safety leave as long as the employee is asymptomatic.

c. A telework-ready employee who is restricted from the workplace because of the potential to infect others would generally be expected to perform telework at home as long as the employee is asymptomatic.

d. An employee who is not a telework program participant would be granted weather or safety leave for quarantine periods based on potential exposure and an inability to perform work at an approved location. Telework is not an option.

e. There is currently no provision within the CBP Telework Policy, or applicable Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), which would allow or require an employee without a telework agreement to work while quarantined or restricted from the workplace for safety reasons.

* Telework-ready is defined as an employee who has a current approved telework agreement, and is equipped with the appropriate secure and approved technology equipment, and has an approved telework agreement to work from an alternate worksite location. If an employee has a telework agreement but does not have the necessary equipment, (e.g., lap top at their telework location), then they are not telework ready.

Q: What code should I use in WebTA to report absence due to coronavirus?

A: Employees would enter their leave category (annual, sick, or other type of leave) normally in WebTA utilizing their designated APC and CMIS code and entering the project code 4VR to link the use of leave to the coronavirus project code.

Q: Will workers' compensation be available to employees who contract coronavirus during the course of their duties?

A: Employees have the right to file a workers' compensation claim for illnesses that have been diagnosed as the direct result of performing work duties. If an employee believes they have been exposed to people potentially infected with the novel coronavirus, such as travelers who may have contracted the disease while on travel, they should contact their local Safety and Workers' Compensation Offices for further assistance and take the following steps:

1. Notify your supervisor.

2. Supervisor files an incident report (CBP Form 502) in CBP eCOMP.

3. Next, contact your local workers' compensation point of contact (Injury Compensation Coordinator) to guide you on the process to file a workers' compensation claim and which form to use. (Note: Filing a claim is an employee driven action and you must elect to file a claim CA-1 or CA-2).

4. Choose which type of claim to file.

a. CA-1 - claim of traumatic injury (exposure on a specific date, time and location, within one 8-hour shift); or
b. CA-2 - claim of occupational disease (exposure over time or multiple exposures on more than one date, time and location).

5. Choose whether you want to seek medical attention.

Supervisors or Managers must complete their portion of the CA-1 or CA-2 in CBP eCOMP as soon as possible, but no later than 24 hours after the employee completes their portion of the claim.

Supervisor completion of their portion of the claim sends an alert to Managed Care Advisors (MCA), who will assign a nurse case manager. For potential coronavirus exposure, the nurse case manager will contact the employee and ask the following questions of the employee.

1. Did you file a form CA-1 or CA-2?

2. Are you ill/ have you sought medical attention?

3. Has the Public Health Service contacted you as part of an investigation or are you classified as a "Person Under Investigation"?
4. What, if any, Personal Protective Equipment were you wearing during the potential exposure event?

5. Did you get a flu vaccination this year?

For specific Department of Labor (DOL) information on COVID-19, pleasehttps://www.dol.gov/owcp/dfec/InfoFECACoverageCoronavirus

Message

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Subject: RE: Handout for Employees

Got it sir.

REP

Robert E. Perez
Deputy Commissioner
U.S. Customs & Border Protection

From: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Sunday, March 8, 2020 11:48 PM
To: PEREZ, ROBERT E (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Fwd: Handout for Employees

Just a quick example of information we could actually physically hand to them in a professional looking document. I know this information has been sent out or available in some form or another. Just thinking it would be good to consolidate and provide in a single document.

I know some of the info below may be dated so I'm not saying use all this - please verify everything. Just providing as an example.

Handout for Employees

WORKFORCE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q: What is the novel coronavirus?

A: Coronaviruses are a family of viruses that can cause respiratory illness in people. Coronaviruses circulate among animals, including camels, cattle, cats, and bats.

A novel coronavirus is a new coronavirus that has not been previously identified. The virus causing coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), is not the same as the coronaviruses that commonly circulate among humans and cause mild illness, like the common cold. Patients with COVID-19 will be evaluated and cared for differently than patients with common coronavirus diagnosis.

Additional information about COVID-19 can be found on the CDC website.

Q: What are the symptoms of the novel coronavirus?
A: According to the CDC reported illnesses have ranged from mild symptoms to severe illness and death for confirmed COVID-19 cases. The following symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure:

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath

Employees should call their healthcare professional if: (1) they develop symptoms and have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19; or (2) if they have recently traveled from an area with widespread or ongoing community spread of COVID-19. Employees should visit the CDC website for more information.

Q: How dangerous is the novel coronavirus?

A: The immediate health risk from COVID-19 is **LOW** for the general American public and the general CBP workforce. Individual risk depends on exposure, which may vary across the workforce.

Q: How can employees keep themselves and their families safe?

A: The most effective way to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and all diseases similar to influenza are the measures outlined below:

- **Get Vaccinated** against influenza. Although COVID-19 is a different type of respiratory illness, the influenza vaccine can still help prevent seasonal influenza, which can avoid potential confusion with COVID-19.

- **Avoid ALL Touching** of your eyes, nose and mouth with your hands. The COVID-19 virus can stay viable on hard surfaces such as door knobs, hand rails, bathroom fixtures and faucet handles for up to 12 hours. Touching surfaces that may have been previously touched by individuals in early stages of COVID-19 can result in the indirect spreading from person to person.

- **Stay Home** when you are sick and consult your health care provider. If you notice any symptoms of fever, sore throat or trouble breathing and you have been in contact with anyone who has traveled to any region affected by COVID-19 or you are a close contact of some diagnosed with COVID-19, alert your health care provider prior to arrival.

- **Cover your Cough or Sneeze** with a tissue or the cuff of your elbow and immediately throw the tissue in the trash. NEVER cover your cough with your hands.

- **Clean and Disinfect**. After contact with "high-touch" or shared surfaces (counters, tabletops, doorknobs, bathroom fixtures, toilets, phones, keyboards, tablets, etc.), wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-

based hand sanitizer with at least 60 - 95% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if hands are visibly dirty. Washing of hands is especially important after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. Any commonly touched surfaces should be cleaned and disinfected with EPA registered disinfectants such as Lysol or Clorox disinfecting wipes and sprays. There is also a CDC Disinfecting and Cleaning page with a list of EPA registered disinfectants.

- **N95 Respirator/Surgical Mask Use** by the general public is not generally being recommended by CDC, the World Health Organization (WHO), the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA), or any public health authorities at this time. CBP leadership is determined to ensure N95 respirators are available to the workforce should the situation change and their use becomes necessary, to include CBP Headquarters staff, mission support personnel, and personnel working in office settings who have traditionally not been provided N95 respirators in the past. Personnel need to understand the difference between a surgical mask (which is primarily for ill passengers/travelers), which will not generally provide the user with adequate protection from exposure and the use of an N95 respirator. The CBP Coronavirus Job Hazard Analysis (JHA) provides detailed guidance for all personnel on when N95 respirators are considered mandatory and when they would be considered "voluntary use." An example of voluntary use would include situations where CBP provides an N95 respirator for administrative and support personnel using mass transit to and from work when the risk level is increased. Such use would fall into "Voluntary Use" and CBP would follow existing "Voluntary Use" protocols. Those protocols involve providing an N95 at CBP expense, providing a short educational video on N95 voluntary use (which can be found on the COVID-19 Resource Page), and providing those personnel a copy of Appendix D of 29 CFR 1910.134 (which is an OSHA requirement for any employer who allows "Voluntary Use"). This could be provided personally by the individual's supervisor or via email, and Appendix D as well as this guidance will be posted on the COVID-19 Resource Page along with the current JHA.

- **Additional Information** on these topics and updated COVID-19 status can be found on the OSH Division COVID-19 Safety and Health Resource Page Here.

Q. What should an employee do if he or she becomes ill or is suspected to have or tested positive for COVID-19?

A: If a person becomes ill with any of the COVID-19 symptoms (fever, sore throat, difficulty breathing), they should stay home and contact their health care provider right away. Most health care providers are taking precautions to prevent the further spread of disease within the healthcare system. Employees should let their health care provider know if they have traveled to any area affected by COVID-19 or had any contact with confirmed COVID-19 cases. Health care providers will determine the need for further testing/confirmation. Individuals may be designated as a 'Person Under Investigation' and may be referred for further evaluation and confirmatory testing.

Employees should notify their CBP supervisor that they are being evaluated and should follow up after they have been evaluated by a health care provider. If employees are considered to be at risk for COVID-19, are identified as a 'Person Under Investigation', or test positive for COVID-19, they will be placed on OPM weather and safety leave. See OPM guidance on workplace flexibilities for

employees impacted by COVID-19. This information and more can be found on the CBP COVID- 19 Resource Portal.

Q: How long should employees stay home if they are exposed to the coronavirus?
A: If an employee has been potentially exposed to someone who is at a high risk of having or who is suspected of having COVID-19, the employee may be asked to remain at home and may be asked to self-observe, self-monitor or self-quarantine for up to 14 days, or longer in specific circumstances, before returning to work. Employees should always consult their healthcare provider and notify their supervisor for more specific guidance.

Q: What measures is CBP taking to ensure the health and safety of employees?

A: CBP has national pandemic plans and continuity of operations plans in place and a comprehensive Job Hazard Analysis (JHA) has been conducted based on risk. We have appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) N95 at all ports, stations, air branches and every place we operate around the globe. CBP has also set aside funding to procure additional PPE if needed. CBP has HRM Safety and Occupational Health Specialist located in every Field Office and Sector to assist operational components complete the mission of CBP while ensuring that our employees remain safe.

Q: An employee at my office tested positive for coronavirus. Will CBP close my office?
A: Such decisions will be made on a case-by-case basis, depending upon specific circumstances and based on consultation and guidance from appropriate authorities. Some facilities may be closed out of an abundance of caution. Employees should contact their direct supervisor for further instruction. If a supervisor is aware that someone in their facility has tested positive for the coronavirus, they should contact the nearest CDC office and notify CBP COVID-19 EOC. The CDC's state and local Quarantine Officer at the Division of Global Migration and Quarantine will work to identify which facilities, if any, need to be closed. The CDC will work with CBP if they have identified a facility for closure.

Q: Will employees be expected to work if their office is closed?

A: If a facility is closed, program offices are encouraged to use telework to the extent that doing so is appropriate. The CBP Telework Policy guidance is as follows:

a. An employee who participates in the telework program would generally be expected to perform telework at home as long as the employee is asymptomatic. (See 5 CFR 630.1605.) If a telework program participant in these circumstances needs time off for personal reasons, then the employee would be expected to take other personal leave or paid time off (e.g., annual leave or sick leave to care for a family member).

b. A telework-ready* employee who is quarantined at a location other than the employee's home is not eligible to telework because the quarantine location is likely

not an approved work location for the employee. This employee should receive weather and safety leave as long as the employee is asymptomatic.

c. A telework-ready employee who is restricted from the workplace because of the potential to infect others would generally be expected to perform telework at home as long as the employee is asymptomatic.

d. An employee who is not a telework program participant would be granted weather or safety leave for quarantine periods based on potential exposure and an inability to perform work at an approved location. Telework is not an option.

e. There is currently no provision within the CBP Telework Policy, or applicable Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), which would allow or require an employee without a telework agreement to work while quarantined or restricted from the workplace for safety reasons.

* Telework-ready is defined as an employee who has a current approved telework agreement, and is equipped with the appropriate secure and approved technology equipment, and has an approved telework agreement to work from an alternate worksite location. If an employee has a telework agreement but does not have the necessary equipment, (e.g., lap top at their telework location), then they are not telework ready.

Q: What code should I use in WebTA to report absence due to coronavirus?

A: Employees would enter their leave category (annual, sick, or other type of leave) normally in WebTA utilizing their designated APC and CMIS code and entering the project code 4VR to link the use of leave to the coronavirus project code.

Q: Will workers' compensation be available to employees who contract coronavirus during the course of their duties?

A: Employees have the right to file a workers' compensation claim for illnesses that have been diagnosed as the direct result of performing work duties. If an employee believes they have been exposed to people potentially infected with the novel coronavirus, such as travelers who may have contracted the disease while on travel, they should contact their local Safety and Workers' Compensation Offices for further assistance and take the following steps:

1. Notify your supervisor.

2. Supervisor files an incident report (CBP Form 502) in CBP eCOMP.

3. Next, contact your local workers' compensation point of contact (Injury Compensation Coordinator) to guide you on the process to file a workers' compensation claim and which form to use. (Note: Filing a claim is an employee driven action and you must elect to file a claim CA-1 or CA-2).

4. Choose which type of claim to file.

a. CA-1 - claim of traumatic injury (exposure on a specific date, time and location, within one 8-hour shift); or
b. CA-2 - claim of occupational disease (exposure over time or multiple exposures on more than one date, time and location).

5. Choose whether you want to seek medical attention.

Supervisors or Managers must complete their portion of the CA-1 or CA-2 in CBP eCOMP as soon as possible, but no later than 24 hours after the employee completes their portion of the claim.

Supervisor completion of their portion of the claim sends an alert to Managed Care Advisors (MCA), who will assign a nurse case manager. For potential coronavirus exposure, the nurse case manager will contact the employee and ask the following questions of the employee.

1. Did you file a form CA-1 or CA-2?

2. Are you ill/ have you sought medical attention?

3. Has the Public Health Service contacted you as part of an investigation or are you classified as a "Person Under Investigation"?
4. What, if any, Personal Protective Equipment were you wearing during the potential exposure event?

5. Did you get a flu vaccination this year?

For specific Department of Labor (DOL) information on COVID-19, pleasehttps://www.dol.gov/owcp/dfec/InfoFECACoverageCoronavirus

Message

From: ROBERT.E.PEREZ (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
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(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
CC: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Re: Request for Clearance - Principals Statements Title 42 USC 265

Debbie - just spoke to Casey at length about these, and asked her to not put out and rewrite all for our review in the AM.

Will touch base with you in the morning - thanks.

REP

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Deputy Commissioner
U.S. Customs & Border Protection

On Mar 20, 2020, at 10:12 PM, SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Found the string of tweets that came in. Apologies for the oversight.

Debbie Seguin
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From: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2020 4:42:50 PM
To: DURST, CASEY OWEN (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) OC Chief of Staff (b)(7)(E)
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Cc: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Re: Request for Clearance - Principals Statements Title 42 USC 265

Clear. But this needs to be timed, correct? (b)(5)

Debbie Seguin
Cell: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

From: DURST, CASEY OWEN (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2020 4:30:51 PM
To: OC Chief of Staff (b)(7)(E)
Cc: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: RE: Request for Clearance - Principals Statements Title 42 USC 265

Minor edit:

STATEMENTS

(b)(5)

SOCIAL MEDIA

@CBP Tweet:

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@CBPMarkMorgan Retweet with Comment of @CBP Tweet:

(b)(5)

Draft tweet for Chief Scott (@USBPChief)

(b)(5)

From: DURST, CASEY OWEN
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To: OC Chief of Staff (b)(7)(E)
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Subject: Request for Clearance - Principals Statements Title 42 USC 265
Importance: High

For clearance:

STATEMENTS

(b)(5)

Proposed EAC Owen Statement:

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Proposed Chief Scott Statement

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Proposed Trade Statement

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SOCIAL MEDIA

@CBP Tweet:

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@CBPMarkMorgan Retweet with Comment of @CBP Tweet:

(b)(5)

Draft tweet for Chief Scott (@USBPChief)

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Message

From: ROBERT.E.PEREZ (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: 3/15/2020 9:26:27 PM
To: HUFFMAN, BENJAMINE C (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
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CC: GRABLE, SAMUEL D (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
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(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) SEGUIN, DEBBIE W
Subject: Re: Postponing all Advance Training for 30 days

Thanks EAC - let's discuss tomorrow.

REP

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U.S. Customs & Border Protection

On Mar 15, 2020, at 5:10 PM, HUFFMAN, BENJAMINE C (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

Sir,
OTD is recommending rescheduling all advanced training and I concur with this recommendation. Please see below for justification and impacts.
Viva CBP
Carry

Issue: Potential for rescheduling all advanced training courses that start in the next 30 days.

Recommendation: In light of the recent Presidential declaration of a National Emergency regarding the Novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19), the continued impacts to travel and transportation systems and the close nature of the training environments, OTD is recommending rescheduling all new advance training across the CBP training system starting on March 17, 2020 and delaying all previously scheduled classes for at least the next 30 days. OTD will continue to closely monitor CDC, DHS & CBP guidance and either extend or shorten this training postponement as warranted.

Advanced training is defined as all resident and exportable training that does not support basic workforce hiring to include areas such as NII, K9, firearms, leadership, Intel, safety, tactical radios, etc. Overall, this rescheduling process would affect approximately 60 National Training Plan courses or approximately 1,861 students.
Justification: In light of increasing spread of COVID-19 and minimizes exposure to the 1861 employees who need to travel, the other students (already in training) and the training center staffs. In addition to the travel risk, the training environment does not allow for the proper social

distancing recommended by CDC with our typical classrooms of 40 employees. Additionally, the type of performance-based training commonly done in advance training (for example defensive tactics as part of recurring firearms, less-than-lethal courses) places students in direct contact with each other furthering the potential spread of the virus. Getting ahead of this allows, OTD to proactively reschedule and does not contribute to overall spreading of this virus within states that have seen very few cases. This posture is also consistent with other Agencies within DHS & DOD.

Impacts: If we only reschedule new starts for 30 days, there will not be impacts to overall training throughput planned for FY20. Those courses that are impacted will be made up either in FY20 or in early FY21 to ensure nothing has been lost. Additionally, the vast majority of our scheduled 1,861 students are Officers and Agents that can continue to work the ports and stations while we are in this worst of this crisis.

General restrictions/actions:

- Uniformed employees (i.e., CDIs) impacted by rescheduling courses may be sent TDY to either OTD's basic training centers or to designated locations to support CBP operations.
- Postpone all non-DHS/CBP visitors to all training centers.

Specific Training Center restrictions/actions:

- The Shenandoah Dining Facility at the Advanced Training Center (ATC) will suspend operations for 30 days.
- ATC's firing ranges will remain open to only CBP employees to support local operators maintaining weapons qualifications.
- ATC Warehouse operations will continue; will monitor updates from mail carriers and adjust accordingly.
- Kennels and veterinary service will continue regardless of any students in training.

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Message

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Sent: 3/14/2020 9:11:16 PM

To: DURST, CASEY OWEN (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
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; PEREZ, ROBERT E

Subject: Re: Live: Media Release and Tweets for Fake COVID-19 Test Kits

Thank you for the good work. Adding (b)(6)

Debbie Seguin
Cell: (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)

From: DURST, CASEY OWEN (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Saturday, March 14, 2020 5:10:27 PM
To: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Fwd: Live: Media Release and Tweets for Fake COVID-19 Test Kits

CoS,

FYI.

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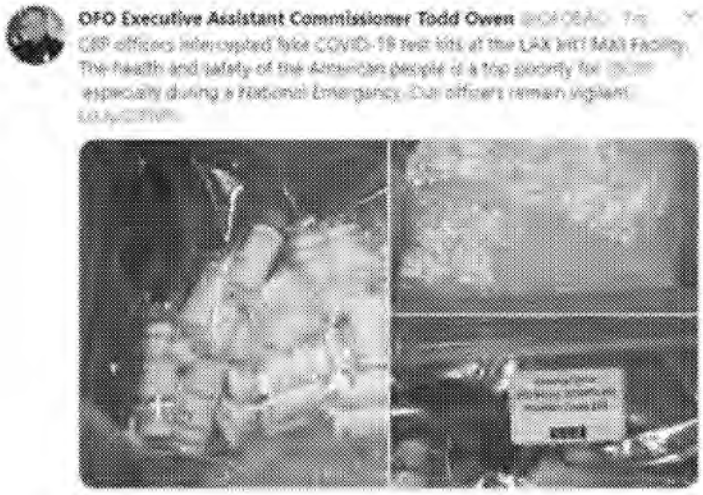
Subject: Live: Media Release and Tweets for Fake COVID-19 Test Kits

Ms. Seguin

The Media Release and the Tweets on the "Fake COVID-19" test kits. Links and screenshots are below. Media Release has been sent to our beat reporters as well. Information will be posted to Facebook and Instagram as well.

@OFOEAC: https://twitter.com/OFOEAC/status/1238924547795161088



@CBPMarkMorgan: https://twitter.com/CBPMarkMorgan/status/1238926039591550977

https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/national-media-release/cbp-officers-seize-fake-covid-19-test-kits-lax

CBP Officers Seize Fake COVID-19 Test Kits at LAX

Suspected Counterfeit Test Kits Mislabeled as "Purified Water Vials"

***Note: Photos are available at https://www.cbp.gov/node/357066 or @CBP on Twitter.*

LOS ANGELES - U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers assigned to Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), International Mail Facility (IMF), intercepted a package containing suspected counterfeit COVID-19 test kits arriving from the United Kingdom.

On March 12, 2020, CBP officers discovered six plastic bags containing various vials, while conducting an enforcement examination of a parcel manifested as "Purified Water Vials" with a declared value of $196.81. A

complete examination of the shipment, led to the finding of vials filled with a white liquid and labeled "Corona Virus 2019nconv (COVID-19)" and "Virus1 Test Kit". The shipment was turned over to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for analysis.

"Protecting the health and safety of the American people is a top priority for CBP," said Carlos C. Martel, CBP Director of Field Operations in Los Angeles. "This significant interception, at a time when the U.S. is in the midst of a National Emergency, demonstrates our CBP officers' vigilance and commitment to ensure dangerous goods are intercepted and not a threat to our communities and our people."

Authorized diagnostic testing for COVID-19 is conducted in verified state and local public health laboratories across the United States. The American public should be aware of bogus home testing kits for sale either online or in informal direct to consumer settings.

"CBP commits substantial resources to detect, intercept and seize illicit goods arriving in the air package environment," said LaFonda Sutton-Burke, CBP Port Director at LAX. "Smugglers are constantly attempting to take advantage of consumers by disguising their illicit goods as legitimate shipments."

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Message

From: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
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Subject: Re: Honduras Suspends MX Repat Flights

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From: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2020 8:01:17 PM
To: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Re: Honduras Suspends MX Repat Flights

What's his email again?

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 10, 2020, at 7:58 PM, SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C) wrote:

I know....recommend sending to (b)(6) as it may impact ACA implementation in Honduras.

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From: MORGAN, MARK A (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2020 7:48:19 PM
To: SEGUIN, DEBBIE W (b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Re: Honduras Suspends MX Repat Flights

Unbelievable.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 10, 2020, at 7:47 PM, SEGUIN, DEBBIE W
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FYSA

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(b)(6)(b)(7)(C) MONCAYO, ERIK E
(b)(6)(b)(7)(C)
Subject: Honduras Suspends MX Repat Flights

Over concerns it doesn't have quarantine space, Honduras suspended Mexican repatriation flights today. Mexico I am sure will go back to just repatriation buses, which requires more time of course.

Flagging because of the impact on Mexico, but also because of potential impact if Honduras uses the same reasoning regarding ICE flights. Will continue to watch.

https://www.usnews.com/news/world/articles/2020-03-10/honduras-suspends-deportation-flights-from-mexico-on-coronavirus-fears

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