



**U.S. Immigration
and Customs
Enforcement**

January 2, 2024

Laredo Police Department
4712 Maher Avenue
Laredo, Texas 78041

Subject: Memorandum of Understanding

Dear Chief Rodriguez,

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to establish an agreement between the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO), Harlingen Field Office (HLG), Port Isabel Detention Center (PIDC) and the Laredo Police Department with regard to certain emergency situations. In the event of an emergency or crisis situation that may warrant additional personnel assistance, it is hereby agreed that the Laredo Police Department may be called upon to render such aid. The decision to furnish any assistance and to what extent, is at the sole discretion of the Laredo Police Department.

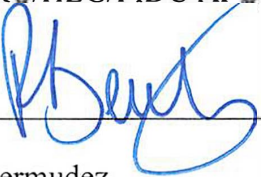
The subject matter listed below includes, but is not limited to, situational emergencies in which ICE has developed contingency plans to address PIDC's response criteria but may request support/assistance from the Laredo Police Department.

- Fire
- Work/Food Strike
- Disturbance
- Escape Emergency
- Hostages (Internal)
- Search (Internal)
- Bomb Threat
- Adverse Weather
- Civil Disturbance
- Environmental Hazard
- Detainee Transportation System
- Evacuation
- ICE-wide Lockdown
- Staff Work Stoppage

The following is what ICE is proposing when requesting assistance in situational emergencies:

1. ICE may request officers from the Laredo Police Department to assist in case of a detainee escape, riot, or detainee uprising. The Laredo Police Department's officers may be used only to set up a perimeter and in the apprehension of escapees. At no time will the officers be called to enter the facility, unless approved by the ICE/ERO/HLG Assistant Field Office Director (AFOD), Deputy Field Office Director (DFOD), Field Office Director (FOD) or higher authority.
2. ICE may request officers from the Laredo Police Department to aid in a mass evacuation (i.e., earthquake, tornado, gas/oil spill, fire, or any other type of emergency).
3. ICE may request assistance of the Laredo Police Department's special emergency teams in case of a disturbance and or hostage situation. This request will only be approved by HLG FOD.

Each emergency situation is unique with its own set of circumstances. Not all emergencies may require additional assistance from neighboring agencies. This will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis and a decision to request additional assistance will be made by the ICE/ERO/HLG/PIDC AFOD in unison and in agreement with the Chief of Police.



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01/02/2024
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