

Catalog of Border Incidents

Category 1 – Information Is Time-Sensitive, Requires Immediate Response From USG And GoM Agencies

Incursion (A) –

- Port Runner Towards The U.S. Or Towards Mexico (A-1)
- Willful or Inadvertent Incursion of Armed GoM Personnel (A-2)
- Willful or Inadvertent Incursion of Un-Armed GoM Personnel (A-3)
- Incursion of Suspected Contraband Smugglers at or between the Ports of Entry towards the U.S. or Mexico (A-4)

Assault On US Officer (B) –

- Gunfire Directed At U.S. Law Enforcement From Mexican Territory (B-1)
- Gunfire Witnessed or Heard from Mexican Territory (B-2)
- Rocking/Projectile Assault (B-3)
- Physical Assault (B-4)
- Armed Encounter With Non-US Citizen (B-5)
- Theft Or Vandalism Of Government Property (B-6)
- Any Other Act Or Threat Of Violence Against A US Law Enforcement Officer (B-7)

Assault On Private A US Or Non-US Citizen (Occurring In US Or Mexican Territory) –

- Gunfire Exchanged Between Non-Law Enforcement Officers (C-1)
- Armed Assault (C-2)
- Armed Robbery (C-3)
- Kidnapping (C-4)
- Rape (C-5)
- Murder (C-6)
- Theft Or Vandalism Of Private Property (C-7)
- Any Other Act Or Threat Of Violence Against A Private Citizen (C-8)

Potential Cross-Border Pursuit (D)

- Any Pursuit Of Fleeing Suspects By US Law Enforcement In Which Suspect(s) May Flee Towards Mexico At Or Between A Designated Port Of Entry (D-1)
- Any Pursuit Of Fleeing Suspects By GoM Law Enforcement In Which Suspect(s) May Flee Towards The U.S. At Or Between A Designated Port Of Entry (D-2)

Significant Arrest/Seizure (E)

- Arrest Of Suspected Terrorist (E-1)
- Arrest Of High Profile Wanted Person (E-2)
- Discovery Of Possible Weapon Of Mass Destruction (E-3)
- Discovery Of Possible Improvised Explosive Device (E-4)
- Planned Detonation Of IED (E-5)
- Large Drug Seizure (E-6)
- Significant Arms Seizure (E-7)
- Discovery Of A Tunnel Built For The Purpose Of Contraband Smuggling (E-8)

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- Discovery Of Modification/Destruction Of Border Infrastructure For The Purpose Of Contraband Smuggling (E-9)

Attack Or Threats Against Critical U.S. Infrastructure (F)

- Significant Explosion (F-1)
- Hazardous Material Spill or Leak (F-2)
- Threat To U.S. Or Mexican Infrastructure (Bomb Threats) (F-3)
- Attack By IED Or WMD (F-4)
- Willful Destruction Of Border Infrastructure To Facilitate Contraband Smuggling (F-5)

Category 2 – Information Is Not Time-Sensitive, but Information Needs To Be Shared With Bi-National Counterparts

Discovery Of Deceased Person (G)

- Human Remains Found With No Foul Play Perceived (G-1)
- Human Remains Found With Indications Of Foul Play (G-2)

Operational Protocols for Border Violence Incidents

Border Violence Occurring in U.S.

Step One: Incident Notification

- Any incident identified in the Catalog of Incidents annex will require the use of the Border Violence Incident Protocols.

At the Ports of Entry: CBP Officers will call C4 (or local equivalent). A secondary notification will be made to CISEN Headquarters in Mexico City¹. Once international notification has been made, local law enforcement will be notified (city, state, and federal) as appropriate. CBP OFO will use bi-national maps to vector responding agencies to area of incident. C4 and CISEN Headquarters will be expected to notify each other as well.

Between the Ports: CBP Border Patrol Agents will call C4 (or local equivalent). A secondary notification will be made to CISEN Headquarters in Mexico City². Once international notification has been made, local law enforcement will be notified (city, state, and federal) as appropriate. CBP Border Patrol will use bi-national maps to vector responding agencies to area of incident³. C4 and CISEN Headquarters will be expected to notify each other as well.

Step Two: Incident Response

At the Ports of Entry: C4 and CISEN Headquarters will coordinate to deploy the Law Enforcement Agency that will provide the most efficient and effective response. Hand-held radios may be used after initial notifications to expedite GoM Law Enforcement response.

Between the Ports: C4 and CISEN Headquarters will coordinate to deploy the Law Enforcement Agency that will provide the most efficient and effective response. Hand-held radios may be used after initial notifications to expedite GoM Law Enforcement response.

Step Three: CBP Headquarters Notification

At the Ports of Entry: CBP Officers will report the incident via established reporting procedures⁴.

¹Local POEs will be responsible for acquiring and disseminating the contact information for local C4 (or equivalent) and the CISEN Headquarters Incident Command Center.

²Border Patrol Stations will be responsible for acquiring and disseminating the contact information for local C4 (or equivalent) and the CISEN Headquarters Incident Command Center.

³Regional BV Protocols Co-Leads will be responsible for ensuring maps are provided to all USG and GoM dispatch centers to facilitate incident response.

⁴CBP OFO Officers will adhere to existing Field Office and CBP Situation Room notification procedures.

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Between the Ports: CBP Border Patrol Agents will report the incident via established reporting procedures⁵.

Step Four: Post Analysis⁶

At the Ports of Entry: CBP Officers will contact C4 and local CISEN Delegado for post-incident analysis and follow-up.

Between the Ports: CBP Border Patrol Agents will contact C4 and local CISEN Delegado for post-incident analysis and follow-up.

Step Five: Post Incident Investigation (If applicable)

Objective: Facilitate the flow of information among agencies and Foreign Governments, and preserve evidence based on existing protocols, statutory authorities of both countries, and responding agencies policies in order to enhance prosecutions on both sides of the border.

Contact the ICE Duty agent via SECTOR Communications "Charlie 100" and as per established DHS/CBP protocols for incidents at or between the Ports of Entry.

ICE will contact CISEN to coordinate the follow up investigation.

⁵CBP Border Patrol Agents will adhere to existing Sector and CBP Situation Room notification procedures.

⁶The Field Offices and Border Patrol Sectors will determine who will typically handle this follow-up inquiry.

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Border Violence Occurring in Mexico

Step One: Incident Notification

At the Ports of Entry: The Mexican Customs and Immigration Officers will notify the Port of Entry Command center and the Border Patrol Station Dispatch Office regardless of the location or nature of the incident⁷. The Mexican Customs and Immigration Officers will provide a secondary notification to the CISEN Headquarters Command Center in Mexico City.

Between the Ports: The Mexican reporting agency will notify the Port of Entry Command center and the Border Patrol Station Dispatch Office regardless of the location or nature of the incident. The Mexican reporting agency will provide a secondary notification to the CISEN Headquarters Command Center in Mexico City.

Step Two: Incident Response

At the Ports of Entry: CBP Port of Entry and Border Patrol will coordinate to deploy the Law Enforcement Agency that will provide the most efficient and effective response. Hand-held radios may be used after initial notifications to expedite USG Law Enforcement response.

Between the Ports: CBP Port of Entry and Border Patrol will coordinate to deploy the Law Enforcement Agency that will provide the most efficient and effective response. Hand-held radios may be used after initial notifications to expedite USG Law Enforcement response.

Step Three: HQ Notification

At the Ports of Entry: CBP Officers will report the incident via established reporting procedures.

Between the Ports: CBP Border Patrol Agents will report the incident via established reporting procedures.

Step Four: Post Analysis

At the Ports of Entry: CBP Officers will provide Mexican Customs and/or Immigration with any follow-up information. CBP Officers will also contact the local CISEN Delegado to update any actions taken by CBP Officers. Mexican Customs and/or Immigration will call CISEN Headquarters Command Center to verify and provide update on response.

Between the Ports: CBP Border Patrol Agents will provide the Mexican reporting agency with any follow-up information. CBP Border Patrol Agents will also contact local

⁷The GoM Regional Co-Leads will be responsible for acquiring and disseminating the contact information for the local BP and POE dispatch centers.

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CISEN Delegado to provide update on actions taken by CBP Border Patrol Agents. Mexican Customs and/or Immigration will call CISEN Headquarters Command Center to verify and provide update on response.

Step Five: Investigative Process (if applicable)

Objective: Facilitate the flow of information among agencies and Foreign Governments, and preserve evidence based on existing protocols, statutory authorities of both countries, and responding agencies policies in order to enhance prosecutions on both sides of the border.

Contact the ICE Duty agent via SECTOR Communications "Charlie 100" and as per established DHS/CBP protocols for incidents at or between the Ports of Entry.

ICE will contact CISEN to coordinate the follow up investigation.

Communication Strategy:

The objective of the Operational Protocols for Border Violence Incidents is to establish a consistent method of cross border notification. In lieu of contacting individual persons, the responsible office or agency will be contacted to coordinate the proper response and deployment of resources. To promote the Communication Strategy the Regional Co-lead for each Government will be responsible for collecting the below information:

UNITED STATES CALL LIST

Primary Notification:

Local Border Patrol Dispatch Center – (915) 834-8703
Local FIELD OFFICE OPERATIONS CENTER- (915) 633-7351 x 101, 138, 143
Local City Dispatch Center – 911

MEXICO CALL LIST

Primary Notification:

Local C4 (or equivalent) – 01152-656-649-0737 } 2417
CISEN Headquarters Command Center – 1-877-367-7710

Secondary Notification:

Local Mexican Consulate Office –
Local CISEN Delegado –
PFP Dispatch Center (if applicable) –

Border Incident Worksheet

1 Date of Incident _____ Time of Incident _____ Location (Station/POE) _____ Sector/District _____

2 Type of Incident

Incursion

A-1 Port Runner Towards US or Mexico ▼

Assault on US Officer

B-1 Gunfire Directed at US LEO from Mexican Territory ▼

Assault on a Private Citizen Occurring in US or Mexico

C-4 Kidnapping ▼

Potential Cross-Border Pursuit

D-1 Pursuit of Suspects by USG towards Mexico ▼

Significant Arrest/Seizure

E-1 Arrest of Suspected Terrorist ▼

Attacks or Threats Against Critical US Infrastructure

F-1 Significant Explosion ▼

Discovery of Deceased Person

G-1 Discovery of Human Remains - No Foul Play Perceived ▼

3 Synopsis of Incident

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4 Government of Mexico Notification

State C-4 Notification

Time Notified _____ Point of Contact Notified _____ Response Given GoM Law Enforcement En Route ▼

CISEN HQ Notification

Time Notified _____ Point of Contact Notified _____ Response Given No Unit Available ▼

5 Other US Agencies Notification

Port of Entry ▼

Time Notified _____ Point of Contact Notified _____

Border Patrol Station ▼

Time Notified _____ Point of Contact Notified _____

Police Department ▼

Time Notified _____ Point of Contact Notified _____

Sheriff's Department ▼

Time Notified _____ Point of Contact Notified _____

ICE ▼

Time Notified _____ Point of Contact Notified _____

US Consulate ▼

Time Notified _____ Point of Contact Notified _____

6 Bi-lateral Incident Response

Mexican Municipal Police ▼

Specify Other Mexican Agency: _____ Response Time 0-15 Minutes ▼

Mexican State Police (PJE) ▼

Specify Other Mexican Agency: _____ Response Time 15-30 Minutes ▼

Mexican Federal Police (PFP) ▼

Specify Other Mexican Agency: _____ Response Time 30-45 Minutes ▼

Mexican Army ▼

Specify Other Mexican Agency: _____ Response Time 45-60 Minutes ▼

7 Injuries/Damage

US Officer Injured ▼

Suspect(s) Arrested

Arrest Made by USG ▼

Suspect(s) Absconded

Non-Timely Response ▼

Operational Impact

POE Shut Down ▼

8 Point of Contact for Follow-up Information

_____ Title _____ Office Phone _____