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Dallas, October 22 (RHC)-- In Texas, immigrant justice advocates are raising alarm over what they say is the unlawful detention of at least seven migrants from Mexico who were shot at by two white men three weeks ago.

Twin brothers Michael and Mark Sheppard opened fire on the migrants and later claimed they mistook them for “wild hogs” while out on a hunting trip. One person was killed, and another was injured. The others have been locked up by ICE, despite a directive that says they should be released since they were victims of a crime and have cooperated with authorities.

The Sheppard brothers were initially freed on bond but have since been taken back into custody and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. One of the men, Michael Sheppard, was the warden of the West Texas Detention Center, which has been accused of violating prisoners’ human rights.

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