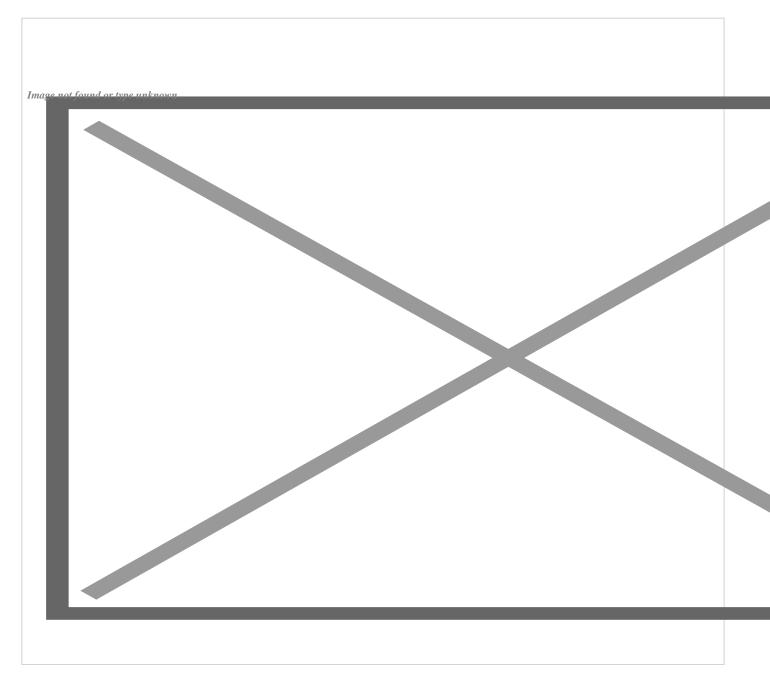
U.S. Federal prisoners in Florida launch hunger strike to protest deplorable conditions



Miami, July 31 (RHC)-- Prisoners in the U.S. state of Florida at the largest federal prison complex in the United States announced that they have launched a hunger strike to demand external intervention to address health and safety violations, abuse of power by guards, and denied visits.

A man incarcerated at the Coleman Low satellite camp told reporters that 30 people were moved to solitary confinement in response to the hunger strike, and said they have since paused the protest.

A recent investigation of Coleman prison by the U.S. Department led to more than a dozen arrests last week, including corrections officers charged with smuggling in drugs.

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