

White House to Increase Detentions and Deportations in Face of Migrant Surge



Washington, June 27 (RHC)-- The Barack Obama administration is responding to the surge in child migrants with increased detention and speedier deportations. Thousands of children are being held in U.S. detention centers after fleeing violence and poverty in Central America.

The New York Times reports the White House plans to open additional detention facilities and fast-track immigration trials to allow for quicker deportation. Tracking devices such as ankle bracelets will be deployed more widely to monitor immigrants set to be deported. And immigration officers and judges will be assigned on an emergency basis to the Rio Grande Valley in Texas, where most of the crossings take place.

According to reports, more than 47,000 unaccompanied children have been caught at the U.S. border since October.

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