

Obama Asks for \$3.7 Billion for Migrant Crisis on U.S.-Mexico Border



Washington, July 9 (RHC)-- U.S. President Barack Obama has asked Congress for \$3.7 billion to address the migrant crisis on the Mexico border. More than 52,000 unaccompanied children fleeing violence and poverty in Central America have been seized since October.

The U.S. president says he wants the increased funding to pay for detention centers, aerial surveillance, immigration judges and border agents. The \$3.7 billion figure is nearly twice what had been expected.

The Obama administration says half of the money would go toward improving children's care in U.S. custody. At the White House, Press Secretary Josh Earnest said most children will ultimately face deportation.

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