

## **U.S., MEXICO OK PLAN TO RETURN ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS**

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**Mexico** has agreed to take part in a program beginning July 12 that will provide free flights home for **illegal** Mexican **immigrants** arrested in the Arizona desert, **U.S.** officials said Tuesday.

Officials hope the program will reduce both deaths in the Southwestern desert and the attempts by **illegal** **immigrants** to enter the **United States**.

**Mexico** agreed in mid-June to the program announced this month by the Homeland Security Department.

Under the agreement, the voluntary "repatriation" **plan** would end no later than Sept. 30, the agency said Tuesday.

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