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The man wanted in connection with eight killings near railroad tracks was in the custody of immigration officials earlier this month but was let go, Federal authorities said today.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service arrested the man, Rafael Resendez Ramirez, in the El Paso area for being in this country illegally and deported him to Mexico on June 1, the Federal Bureau of Investigation said.

I.N.S. officials said they had been unaware that he was wanted for questioning in four killings. They also said the deportation came on June 2.

Mr. Resendez Ramirez, believed to be 38, went on the agency's 10 Most Wanted list on Monday.

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