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Border Patrol Pilot Hurt In Manhunt for Escapee

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A <u>Border Patrol pilot</u> was critically injured today when his plane crashed in the desert while searching for the last of 16 Cuban prisoners who escaped from a Federal immigration detention center.

The *pilot*, Bruce Weber, 37 years old, suffered back injuries and was in stable condition at Good Samaritan Medical Center in Phoenix, a spokesman said.

Joe Flanders, of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, said the single-engine Cessna 182 was rocked by turbulence before it crashed five miles south of Florence.

Twelve of the prisoners were rounded up after the escape Sunday and three more were captured Monday. They fled the Federal Service Processing Service by slipping through holes they cut in two fences.

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