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26 Aliens Found Locked In Railroad Car in Texas

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Officials unlocked the door of a boxcar Wednesday afternoon and <u>found</u> <u>26</u> illegal <u>aliens</u> locked inside by smugglers, with one man dead, another dying and a 16-year-old girl suffering from shock and dehydration.

The <u>aliens</u> had been put in the metal <u>car</u> here for the trip from the border to San Antonio, agents of the United States Border Patrol said.

The agents broke into the locked boxcar at Cotulla, about 67 miles north of Laredo, Wednesday night and rescued the survivors, William Schellenger, assistant chief patrol agent, said the temperature was 103 degrees Fahrenheit in Laredo Wednesday.

He said an agent at a border checkpoint on Interstate 35 heard banging from inside the freight <u>car</u> as the Missouri Pacific train passed and notified agents in Cotulla, who stopped the train and opened the *car*.

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