

October 7, 2020

TO: [REDACTED]
Assistant Director for Detention Management

FROM: [REDACTED]
Lead Compliance Inspector
The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT: **Annual Inspection of the Willacy County Regional Detention Facility**

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS) of the Willacy County Regional Detention Facility in Raymondville, Texas during the period of October 5-7, 2020. This is an IGSA.

The inspection was performed under the guidance of [REDACTED] Lead Compliance Inspector. Team Members were:

Subject Matter Field	Team Member
Detainee Rights	[REDACTED]
Security	[REDACTED]
Medical Care	[REDACTED]
Medical Care	[REDACTED]
Safety	[REDACTED]

Type of Inspection

This is a scheduled annual inspection, which is performed to determine overall compliance with the ICE NDS for Over 72 hour facilities. The facility received a rating of Acceptable during the September 2019 inspection.

Inspection Summary

The Willacy County Regional Detention Facility is currently accredited by:

- The American Correctional Association (ACA) – Yes
- The National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) - Yes
- The Joint Commission (TJC) - No
- Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) - Yes

Standards Compliance

The following information is a summary of the standards that were reviewed and overall compliance that was determined as a result of the 2019 and 2020 NDS compliance annual inspections:

2019 Annual Inspection	
Meets Standards	36
Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	3

2020 Annual Inspection	
Meets Standards	36
Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	3

The inspection team identified eight (8) deficient components in the following three (3) standards:

Detainee Handbook – 4, one of which is a repeat deficiency
Access to Telephones – 2
Access to Medical Care – 2

Facility Snapshot/Description

The Willacy County Regional Detention Center is located in Raymondville, Texas, approximately twenty miles north of Harlingen, Texas. The facility is owned by Willacy County and operated by Management and Training Corporation (MTC).

[REDACTED] No ICE detainees have been housed at the facility during this inspection period.

The facility is a one-story building surrounded by a dual perimeter fence supplemented with razor wire and pressure sensors. There is a paved road circling the perimeter of the facility which is patrolled around the clock by an armed officer. The facility has thirty general population housing units with capacities ranging from five to 54 beds. Both cell and dormitory style beds are available. The general population housing units are supervised by indirect supervision from roving officers. Each housing unit is equipped with tables and seats, a television, telephones, and board games. The facility has two large outdoor recreation yards equipped with stationery exercise equipment, water, and toilet facilities. The designated special management unit (SMU) contains twenty single cells.

Due to COVID-19, this inspection was conducted remotely. The facility provided the inspection team all requested documentation, photographs, and videos as evidence of practices and procedures within the facility. In addition to these materials, staff were interviewed by the inspection team. All staff interviewed were well versed in facility policy and the requirements of the standards and were responsive to all requests made by the inspection team. The facility was operating under emergency procedures during the inspection due to a number of officers being absent due to COVID-19. On the first day of the inspection seven housing units were on COHORT status.

Medical Care and food service are provided by MTC. Detainees are not charged co-pay fees for medical, dental, or mental health services.

Detainee telephone services are provided by ICSolutions

Areas of Concern/Significant Observations

There were no areas of concern or significant observations during the inspection.



The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

Recommended Rating and Justification

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Acceptable unless unobserved practices and conditions are contrary to what was reported to the inspection team. The facility complies with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS). No (0) standards were found Deficient and three (3) standards were Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining thirty-six (36) standards were found to be in compliance.

LCI Assurance Statement

The findings of compliance and non-compliance are accurately and completely documented on the G-324 Inspection Form and are supported by documentation in the inspection file. A telephone, call-in out brief was conducted with the facility. In addition to the entire Nakamoto Group Inspection Team, the following participated in the conference call:

ICE Officials – [REDACTED] ez

Facility staff – [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED], Lead Compliance Inspector

October 7, 2020

Printed Name of LCI

Date