

September 13, 2018

TO:

Assistant Director for Detention Management

FROM:

Lead Compliance Inspector The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT:

Annual Detention Inspection of the Willacy County Regional Detention Fa-

cility

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS-Over 72 Hours) of the Willacy County Regional Detention Facility in Raymondville, Texas during the period of September 11-13, 2018. This is an IGSA facility.

The inspection was performed under the guidance of Inspector. Team Members were:

Subject Matter Field	Team Member
Safety	
Security	
Medical Care	
Medical Care	
Detainee Rights	

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 previous rating of Acceptable during the September 2017 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 2017 and 2018 annual inspections:



2017 Annual Inspection	
Acceptable	36
Deficient	0
At-Risk	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	3

2018 Annual Inspection	
Acceptable	36
Deficient	0
At-Risk	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	3

The inspection team identified sixteen (16) deficient components in the following eleven (11) standards:

Admission and Release - 2

Classification System -1

Correspondence and Other Mail - 1

Food Service - 1

Funds and Personal Property – 1

Access to Telephones - 2

Detention Files - 1

Disciplinary Policy - 1

Emergency (Contingency) Plans - 1

Key and Lock Control - 1

Staff/Detainee Communication - 4

Facility Snapshot/Description

The Willacy County Regional Detention Facility is a facility owned by the county and operated by Management & Training Corporation (MTC). The facility is located in Raymond-ville, Texas and houses male and female U.S. Marshals detainees. Willacy housed ICE detainees in general population (housed separated from the U.S. Marshals detainees) until June 2018. Since then, ICE admissions to Willacy have been for special medical or mental health needs.

The facility is a single structure one-story building surrounded by a dual perimeter fence supplemented with razor wire and movement detection sensors. There is a paved perimeter road around the entire facility perimeter patrolled by an armed officer 24 hours a day. The facility is designed with twenty-three general population detainee housing units ranging from one-person cells to 54 bed dormitories. The day rooms are furnished with a television, telephones, tables and day room area. Each detainee has a personal property storage drawer. Indoor and outdoor recreation is made available to all populations for at least one hour a day, seven days a week. The outdoor recreational yards have accessible water and toilet facilities. The inspection team toured the



units that housed ICE detainees during the inspection period. The housing units previously used by ICE detainees were observed to be clean, sanitary and in good repair. The toilets and sinks were clean and operational with hot and cold running water. The showers were clean, mold, mildew and rust free, with hot and cold running water. An inspection of the facility overall revealed a positive environment, clean conditions, and no issues being noted with the conditions of confinement. Sanitation levels were excellent.

The detainee housed in the medical isolation room was interviewed by the Medical SME and he had no concerns or issues. When asked if he had been seen by an ICE officer, he stated that he was seen "yesterday" during the inspection. Most of the facility employees are bi-lingual. Facility employees were professional and were knowledgeable of ICE standards.

Medical and food services are provided by Management & Training Corporation. Detainees do not have a medical copayment.

Areas of Concern/Significant Observations

There were no areas of concern or significant observations.

Recommended Rating and Justification

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Acceptable. 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-324A Inspection Form and are supported by documentation in the inspection file. An out brief was conducted at the facility and in addition to the entire Nakamoto Group, Inc. Inspection Team, the following were present:

- ICE Officials –
- Facility Staff –

, Lead Compliance Inspector

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Date

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