

September 17, 2020

TO: [REDACTED]  
Assistant Director for Detention Management

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

SUBJECT: **Annual Inspection of the Johnson County Corrections Center**

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE Performance-Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS) 2011 of the Johnson County Corrections Center in Cleburne, Texas, during the period of September 15-17, 2020. This inspection was conducted remotely due to the COVID-19 virus. This is an IGSA facility.

The annual 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 PBNDS for Over 72 hour facilities. The facility received a rating of Meets Standards during the August 2019 annual inspection.

### **Inspection Summary**

The Johnson County Corrections Center is currently accredited by:

- The American Correctional Association (ACA) - No
- The National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) - No
- 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 PBNDS 2011 compliance annual inspections:

<b>2019 Annual Inspection</b>	
Meets Standards	40
Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	2

<b>2020 Annual Inspection</b>	
Meets Standards	40
Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Findings	0
Not Applicable	2

The inspection team identified nine (9) deficient components in the following seven (7) standards:

Environmental Health and Safety - 1, which a repeat finding  
Special Management Units - 1, which is a repeat finding  
Staff-Detainee Communication - 2, one of which is a repeat finding  
Food Service - 2, one of which is a repeat finding  
Personal Hygiene - 1  
Correspondence and Other Mail - 1  
Detainee Transfers - 1

### **Facility Snapshot/Description**

The Johnson County Corrections Center in Cleburne, Texas is operated by LaSalle Corrections under the authority of the Johnson County Sheriff's Office. The facility is an IGSA situated in a rural area 55 miles southwest of Dallas, Texas. The facility [REDACTED] housing all custody levels of adult male ICE detainees; male and female U.S. Marshals Service detainees; and male and female Johnson County inmates. [REDACTED]

There are currently two housing units used to house ICE detainees. A review of detainee rosters verified that there is no commingling with other jurisdictions or detainees with dissimilar custody levels. There are two celled units used for special management housing and protective control placements. All of which are single bunked with two of the cells equipped with padded walls and safe for suicide watches, as reported by the chief of security. The facility is a single-story building operated under the direct supervision model. Living units appear well lit with both natural and artificial light and have adequate open space for detainees. A housing unit floor plan and photographs of the housing units were provided for review. Housing units are furnished with tables and chairs for detainees to participate in leisure time activities and socializing. The compliance sergeant reported that board games, leisure reading material, playing cards, and televisions are among the amenities available to detainees. Staff reported that detainees have access to a computer in each housing unit for reviewing the detainee handbook, conducting legal research with the LexisNexis program, and using the word processing function to create Word documents. The AFOD verified that detainees do not use computers to submit electronic detainee requests. Detainees reported that they have daily access to small outdoor recreation areas attached to each living unit and normally have access to a larger recreation yard to play soccer and jog twice weekly; but stated that the large recreation yard is currently closed. Access to the large recreation yard as well as general visitation was suspended March 13, 2020, due to health concerns associated with the COVID-19 virus. The compliance sergeant reported that it is not known when these areas will be opened up again.



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The facility is reported to be climate controlled and appeared to be in good repair based on photographs reviewed by inspectors. Video footage provided of security equipment throughout the facility such as detention grade doors, grill gates, perimeter fence, and operating systems in the main control center verified that the facility is adequately equipped to maintain a secure facility. All officers interviewed were well-versed in facility guidelines and operating procedures as well as the National Detention Standards. Officers and staff were professional during interviews and detainees spoke willingly and respectfully. A review of photographs, videos, sanitation inspection reports, and interviews with staff and detainees concluded that the sanitation level of the facility was average.

The inspection team interviewed nineteen LEP and English-speaking detainees housed at the facility. Interviews were held telephonically and with the assistance of an interpreter when needed. There were no substantive concerns voiced when asked about their personal safety, treatment by staff, access to telephones, or law library services. Three detainees expressed concern for not having access to the large recreation yard due to the COVID-19 restrictions. Their concerns were brought to the attention of the assistant OIC. The medical SME conducted detailed interviews with four detainees who complained of medical issues such as being denied a knee brace, having an ankle injury, and having a toothache. At the completion of these interviews, the medical SME consulted with the assistant HSA who agreed to meet with each detainee to discuss their medical concerns. Finally, during confidential interviews detainees brought up concerns about the quality of food and food temperatures not being warm enough for hot foods when delivered to the housing units. The safety SME conducted a detailed review of food temperature logs and viewed a video showing food being prepared and delivered to the housing units. It was determined that food appeared palatable and temperatures taken of the food before being served were within the requirements of the standard.

Food services and medical services are provided by LaSalle Corrections. The facility does not charge co-pays for medical, mental health, or dental care. The facility doctor, dentist, and mental health services are contracted with local providers.

Detainee telephone services are provided by Global Tel\*Link (GTL) via contract with the facility.

### **Areas of Concern/Significant Observations**

There are no areas of concerns or significant observations.

### **Recommended Rating and Justification**

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Meets Standards. The facility complies with the ICE Performance-Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS) 2011. No (0) standard was found as Does Not Meets and two (2) standards was Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining forty (40) 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 telephonically with facility staff and ICE representatives. In addition to the entire Nakamoto Group, Inc. Inspection Team, the following were present:

- ICE Officials – [REDACTED]



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- Facility Staff – [REDACTED]



[REDACTED], Lead Compliance Inspector

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