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DHS OIG To Periodically Inspect CBP and ICE Detention Facilities

Today, the Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General (DHS OIG) announced a program of ongoing unannounced inspections of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detention facilities.

The OIG is initiating this inspection program in response to concerns raised by immigrant rights groups and complaints to the DHS OIG Hotline regarding conditions for aliens in CBP and ICE custody. The unannounced spot inspections are designed to monitor DHS compliance with official government health, safety, and detention standards, and to examine conditions for minors at those facilities where minors are present.

The first inspections took place today; the program will be ongoing. OIG will publish the inspection results to DHS leadership, the Congress, and the public.

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